



Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar

All Saints, Ebbw Vale and St John's, Rhymney

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Parish	Gift Aid	Collections for last Sunday			At Mass	World Mission
		Loose	Levy	Total		
Immaculate Conception	£217.00	£53.42	£88.30	£358.72		£73.80
All Saints	£225.00	£110.76	£106.36	£442.12	107	£145.31
St. John's	£154.00	£24.90	£38.48	<u>£217.38</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>£121.41</u>
				<u>£1098.05</u>		<u>£340.52</u>

The Harvest Lunch held in Rhymney raised £300 for parish funds. Many thanks to those who supported.

Thank you for **all** your contributions.

Parish Notices

- * **Christmas Shopping trip** to Cheltenham. A few seats are still available on the coach. Anyone interested please add your name to the list ASAP. Fare to be paid by 16th November - your cooperation would be appreciated.
 - * **All Saints Grand Prize Draw** - all outstanding counterfoils need to be handed in by the end of October. Thank You.
 - * **Rhymney Coffee Evening** - the next one is on Friday 7th November, at 6:30 in the Day Centre, Tre York. Everyone is welcome.
 - * **Immaculate Conception Raffle**: Tickets are now available. There will be a list on the noticeboard for anyone who wishes to donate a prize for the raffle. Thanking you in advance for your support in this fundraising effort.
 - * November – **Mass of Holy Souls**. Envelopes will be at the back of church for you to put in the names of your deceased relatives & friends. The envelopes will be placed in the memorial box on the sanctuary during Masses for your Faithful Departed.
- All those whose relatives died between November 2013 and October 2014 will be invited to a special mass of commemoration for the Faithful Departed of all the parishes of our pastoral area.

* **Faith Formation Team "KNOW & SHARE"** is open to anyone who is interested in studying the Faith together with others and ready to help in any way possible to share the faith with others, especially those seeking to receive the sacraments and communion with the Catholic Church. Interested parishioners should please give their details to Fr. Edmund.

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30th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A (*Mass Book p146*) 26th Oct 2014

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Vigil 5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Hannah Johns RIP; Trevor Gunter; Peter & Lucy Tomlinson on their wedding
	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Mel Hillman Scannell Family M&J Clifford
	10:30am	All Saints	George and Jimmy Gough RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Private Int.; Kenealy Family
Monday 27th	10:00am	St John's	Roisin's Wellbeing. M&J Clifford
Tuesday 28th (St Simon & St Jude)	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	M&J Clifford
Wednesday 29th	10:00am	All Saints	M&J Clifford
Thursday 30th	---	School	No mass
Friday 31st	6:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Holy Souls
Saturday 1st Nov	10:00am	All Saints	Holy Souls
Sunday (All Saints)	Vigil 5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Idris Williams RIP Martin & Teresa Hayden-Madge Jimmy, Grace, Brian McCarthy
	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Roy & Stella True RIP
	10:30am	All Saints	Theresa Short RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Joseph & Kathleen Brady

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

- St John's:** Following Monday 10:00am Mass
- All Saints:** Following Wednesday 10:00am Mass
- Immaculate Conception:** Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm & 5:30-6pm

Confessions

- St John's:** Monday after Mass; Sunday 5:00pm
- Immaculate Conception:** Tuesday 6:30-7pm; Friday 5:30pm; Saturday 5:00pm
- All Saints:** Wednesday and Saturday after Mass

Vigil Lamps

All Saints: Our Lady Ceri Simms
Immaculate Conception: Our Lady Jeanette Badham
Immaculate Conception: Sacred Heart Yvonne Brown
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From the Parish Priest

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

May the Love of God reign in our lives and compel us to love our neighbours!

“In response to the question about the first of the commandments, Jesus says: ‘The first is, “Hear O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” The second is this, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’

The apostle St. Paul reminds us of this: ‘He who loves his neighbour has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandments, are summed up in this sentence, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.’” (CCC, 2196)

The man who has genuine love for God loves his neighbour too; the man who is really zealous is also in love, but at a higher level in the scale of love. Since the more a man burns with love, the more he is impelled by zeal.

Beloved, if we have no zeal at all, then that fact is evidence enough that the love and charity in our hearts have been extinguished. In everything we do, let us desire and strive with all our strength that God may be ever better known, loved and served in this life and hereafter too, since this Holy Love is eternal. Let us wish and do our utmost to ensure that all our neighbours may have everything they need on earth and also be blessed with happiness in our heavenly home, that everyone will be saved and no one perish forever or remain even for a moment in sin. This is how the holy Apostles and Saints showed their love for God and neighbour and for themselves.

Remain in God’s love

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Gospel Reflection from a Parishioner

Holy Gospel of Matthew 22: 34 - 40

Last Sunday the Pharisees and Herodians tried to "trap" Jesus, they failed, so they planned to "trap" Him again.

They believed that each one of the 613 commands (mitzot) in the Torah were equally important and necessary to obey. Therefore they were trying to corner Jesus into showing ignorance or disrespect for part of it by choosing one command over the other.

Jesus goes to the root of the issue; all the laws and words of the prophets have their foundation in one thing: LOVE.

Jesus wisely advises the Pharisees that the greatest and first commandment is to love God totally, faithfully and without reservation.

Not even a Pharisee could disagree with that wisdom!

He added to love your neighbour as yourself.

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Please pray for the parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially:

✠ those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

James Grennan, Myra Carini, Marjorie Lynch, Ellen O'Sullivan, Sheila Lawton, Kathleen O'Leary, Canon Quilligan, Harry Johnstone, Catherine O'Dwyer, Fred Tippins, Mamie Skelly, John Beale. Patricia Mary Watkins.

✠ the sick and housebound:

Jeanette Badham, Michael Buckley, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Doris Chappell, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Hilda Dollin, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Margaret Griffiths, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Brenda Hayden, Mary Hillier, Kate Hooper, Keyon Hughes, Peggy Hutton, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Maria Kerwin, Colin Lee, Margaret Lawrence, Margaret Leesk, Doris Lloyd, Pat & Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Mary Morris, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Audrey Norris, Cathy O'Leary, Ruth Phillips, Jean Plummer, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Norman Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Dennis Sullivan, Millie Sullivan, Mary Thomas, Nell Turner, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Nora Worthington, Helen Yabsley, Veronica Yandle, Tony Zeraschi, Kieran Moseley, Theresa Gough, Michael Gough. John O'Leary. Chelsea.

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Eternal rest

Please pray for the repose of soul of the late William Alun Morris who died on 18th Oct 2014. The funeral service will be in Immaculate Conception on

Thurs 30th Oct at 11:00am.

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