**Collections for Last Sunday**

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| ***Parish*** | ***Gift Aid*** | ***Loose*** | ***Levy*** | ***Total*** | ***At***  ***Mass*** |
| ImmaculateConception | £204.50 | £105.30 | £73.11 | £382.91 | 117 |
| All Saints | £199.00 | £98.00 | £101.92 | £398.92 | 99 |
| St. John’s | £95.00 | £17.70 | £23.30 | £136.00 | 30 |
|  |  |  | Total | £917.83 | 246 |

Development Fund April: All Saints £345.72

**PARISH NOTICES**

**Visit of Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to the Archdiocese**. Wed 10th May: Belmont Abbey candlelit Rosary procession at 9:00pm. Anyone requiring transport please add your name to list today.

*Your support is appreciated at any or all of the parish events below:*

\* Thursday 11th May Monthly Quiz & Bingo 7/7:30pm in All Saints Hall

\* Friday 12th May St John’s Coffee evening at 6:30pm in Parish Hall

\* Sunday 14th May Sunday lunch in the Moose Hall

\* Tuesday 16th May All Saints Luncheon Club at 1pm; see menu in porch

**Next Sunday** is a day of Prayer for Vocations. Let us pray to the Lord to make us ‘Missionary disciples’ and raise up new vocations by the power of the Holy Spirit to the Sacred Priesthood and Consecrated life in the Church. **There will be a Retiring Collection for the Priest Training Fund.**

**Coming Soon 3rd– 9th June 2017- Parish Mission.**

The St. Patrick Community of Ireland will be leading a Parish Mission in our Pastoral Area with the Guest Speaker: John Pridmore.

Please keep the days open for an amazing time to encounter the Risen Lord in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**MISSION PRAYER**

**Heavenly Father,**

**We pray that our Parish Mission may be a time of grace and renewal for all.**

**We ask you to bless all the families in our Pastoral Area especially those who are experiencing difficulties.**

**Bless the old, the young, the Children, the poor, the sick, the unemployed and those in sorrow or despair.**

**Help us dear Lord to grow in faith and love of you. Amen**

**Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar**

**All Saints, Ebbw Vale and St John’s, Rhymney**

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**4th Week of Easter, Year A** *Mass Book p262* **7th May 2017**

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| Vigil | 5:30pm | Immaculate Conception | Hughes Family Sp. Int |
| Fourth Sunday of Easter | 9:00am | **Immaculate Conception** | Teresa Herbert Thanksgiving  Des Jones Anniv. |
| 10:30am | **All Saints** | Margaret Williams RIP  Dr A Bracci RIP |
| 5:30pm | **St. John’s** | Maria Luisa Jenkins & Dina Fantini RIP |
| Monday 8th | 10:00am | **St. John’s** | Intentions of Members of Prayer Group |
| Tuesday 9th | 7:00pm | **Immaculate Conception** | Bert Carroll B’day Anniv |
| Wednesday 10th | 1:30pm | **All Saints** | Requiem Mass  Joseph Michael McNamara |
| Thursday 11th | 9:30am | **St Joseph’s school** |  |
| Friday 12th | 7:00pm | **Immaculate Conception** | Special Intentions |
| Saturday 13th | 10:00am | **All Saints** | Ernie & Nora Worthington  Kathleen & John Evans RIP |
| 12 noon | **Immaculate Conception** | Wedding of Matthew Cannings and Carly O’Dwyer |
| Vigil | 5:30pm | **Immaculate Conception** | Ellen Davies B’Day |
| 5th Sunday of Easter | 9:00am | **Immaculate Conception** | Gordon Wilcox RIP |
| 10:30am | **All Saints** | Bill & Margaret O'Shea RIP |
| 5:30pm | **St. John’s** | For Vocations in the Archdiocese Mark Duggan (RIP) |

**VIGIL LAMPS**

**All Saints:** Our Lady Derek Kerwick's Intentions

**All Saints:** Sacred Heart Jimmy Clarkes Intentions

**Immaculate** **Conception**: Our Lady Archbishop George Stack

**Immaculate** **Conception**: Sacred Heart For Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**All Saints:** Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm

**St. John:** Monday after 10:00am Mass

**From the Catechism of the Catholic Church**

"The Church is, accordingly, a sheepfold, the sole and necessary gateway to which is Christ. It is also the flock of which God himself foretold that he would be the shepherd, and whose sheep, even though governed by human shepherds, are unfailingly nourished and led by Christ himself, the Good Shepherd and Prince of Shepherds, who gave his life for his sheep. (CCC, 754)

**GOSPEL REFLECTION** (JOHN 10: 1-10)

Jesus suggests that there are false leaders whose intentions are malevolent. First, their entry into authority is wrong since they do not enter the sheepfold through the gate but through some other way. Second, false leaders’ voice cannot be recognized since they do not have any intimacy with the flock. True leaders or shepherds enter the sheepfold through the gate. He/she has an intimate relationship with sheep; they hear his/her voice and one by one he/she calls the sheep and leads them out to pasture.

Jesus describes himself as the gate to the sheepfold and focuses on the relationship between the sheep and the shepherd. Since the sheep know the voice of the shepherd, they follow him as he leads them out to green pastures. John clearly insists that Jesus is the only source of salvation. Those who came before him purporting to give life are described as thieves. The contrast with thieves who will not bring salvation recalls Ezek. 34 where bad shepherds seek out their own interest. Jesus, on the other hand, has come so that all may have life to the full.

**Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially**:

✞ ***the sick and housebound:***

Jeanette Badham, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, James Cullen, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Michael Gough, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Keyon Hughes, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Margaret Lawrence, Colin Lee, Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Maureen Morgan, Kieran Moseley, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Cathy O’Leary, Ruth Phillips, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Norman Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Helen Yabsley, Tony Zeraschi, Debra Richards, Daniel Morgan Bennett, Raymond Titley, Jeanette Prothero, Pauline Thomas. Barbara McCarthy, Gavin Hughes, Norma Beecher, Maria James, Maureen Hague, Doris Morris, Sheila Bennett, Joan Spencer.

✞ ***those whose anniversary occurs at this time:***

Guiseppe Sidoli, Mary Anne Lynch, Doris Lloyd, Eirlys Stent, Patrick Twohig, Jean Jones, John Clancy, Anne McGuire. Alice Meinzyk.. Marie Davies

✞***Rest in Peace***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Joseph Michael McNamara**, whose Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 10th May at 1:30pm in All Saints Church

and also **Mrs Terry Davies** former teacher at St Joseph’s and

All Saints schools who passed away on 24th April. Her Requiem will be on Thursday 11th May at 12 noon in St Mary’s Merthyr

✞ ***Sacraments***

Please pray for **Sophie Elizabeth Williams** & **David Rhys Griffiths** as they prepare for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday 20th May 2017 at All Saints Church.

Please continue to pray for the Children who are preparing for their

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion