

**COLLECTIONS FOR LAST SUNDAY**

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£212.00	£92.28	£88.76	£393.04	104
All Saints	£211.00	£126.71	£123.78	£461.49	105
St. John's	£162.00	£21.46	£29.41	£212.87	46
			Total	£1067.40	255

**Development Fund** for January: Immaculate Conception: £551.58  
 All Saints: £156      *Grateful thanks to all for your generous offerings.*

**100 Club Winners**

1st Prize No.147 Cain Hillman    2nd Prize No.163 J. Yandle  
 3rd Prize No.83 Joe Weech

**PARISH NOTICES**

**ALL SAINTS** Quiz and Bingo will take place on Thursday 9th at 7/7.30pm All are welcome.

The next **RHYMNEY COFFEE EVENING** will be held in the Parish Hall on Friday, 10th February, at 6:30pm.

**PARISH WELFARE:** We are looking for Parishioners to sign up for the formation of a Welfare Ministry in the Pastoral Area to take care of the welfare needs of all our brothers and sisters, especially the sick, the housebound, and the lonely. Please give your name to Fr. Edmund

**SACRAMENT PREPARATIONS:** We are looking for Parishioners for the Teaching Ministry to help with the preparation of candidates for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation/ RCIA. Your services will be very much appreciated. Please see Fr. Edmund if you can help in any way.

**DAY OF MERCY** will be at St. John's Church, Rhymney. On Sunday 5th February from 2:30pm to 5:00pm. There will be Devotion to the Divine Mercy, Rosary, Healing & Anointing by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Come and have an encounter with Our Lord Jesus Christ, through Prayer, Repentance, Forgiveness and Healing*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Mildred Jones as she celebrates her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. We wish her good health in mind, body and soul and many more fruitful years. Happy Birthday & Many Happy Returns. God Love You!



**Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar  
 All Saints, Ebbw Vale and St John's, Rhymney**

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**5th Week in Ordinary Time, Year A** Mass Book p133 **5th February 2017**

<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Glenys Simmons RIP Paul, Marie, Jeff & Davies family John Yandle RIP
<b>5th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9:00am	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Margaret Driscoll RIP Veronica Yandle RIP Theresa Herbert's Wellbeing
	10:30am	<b>All Saints</b>	Luigi Dallanegra RIP Dennis Bevan RIP
	5:30pm	<b>St. John's</b>	Margaret Paul RIP Brenda D'arcy RIP
<b>Monday 6th</b>	10:00am	<b>St. John's</b>	God's healing for Amy
<b>Tuesday 7th</b>	7:00pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Gordon Scannell USA Lily Margaret, Don Peter, Joseph Chrispin & Bert Carroll RIP
<b>Wed 8th</b>	10:00am	<b>All Saints</b>	Tom Coughlin RIP In Thanksgiving.
<b>Thursday 9th</b>	9:30am	<b>St. Joseph's School</b>	Holy Souls
<b>Friday 10th</b>	7:00pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Theresa Herbert Sp. Int
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Lourdes</b>	10:00am	<b>All Saints</b>	Michael Conlen RIP Harry Williams RIP
<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Glenys Simmons RIP Teresa, Daniel, Patrick & Carpenter Family
<b>6th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9:00am	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Theresa Herbert & Mildred Jones Special Intentions
	10:30am	<b>All Saints</b>	Sid Withey RIP John O'Sullivan RIP
	5:30pm	<b>St. John's</b>	Brenda D'arcy

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**St John's:** Monday 10:30am until 11:00am  
**All Saints:** Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm  
**Immaculate Conception:** Friday from 12noon until 3:00pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

**St John's:** After Mass on Monday and Sunday at 5pm  
**All Saints:** After Mass on Wednesday and Saturday  
**Immaculate Conception:** Before Mass on Tuesday, and Saturday at 5pm

**VIGIL LAMPS**

**Immaculate Conception:** Our Lady Doris Morris  
**Immaculate Conception:** Sacred Heart Sandra Wilcox & Family  
**All Saints:** Our Lady Angela's Intentions  
**All Saints:** Sacred Heart In Thanksgiving.

**From the CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*“The origin and purpose of mission. The Lord's missionary mandate is ultimately grounded in the eternal love of the Most Holy Trinity: "The Church on earth is by her nature missionary since, according to the plan of the Father, she has as her origin the mission of the Son and the Holy Spirit." The ultimate purpose of mission is none other than to make men share in the communion between the Father and the Son in their Spirit of love.”* (CCC, 850)

**GOSPEL REFLECTION (MATTHEW 5: 13-16)**

Jesus Christ symbolizes our lives as Christians with two essential items; salt and light. The comparison with salt and light shows the positive influence of our lives as Christians. Kingdom citizens, like salt and light are to be useful.

Salt is used for flavouring and preserving. It makes food taste well. Disciples are to be the sweetening and tasty elements in the community. Salt also preserves certain food items from going bad. Disciples are to prevent the quality of life from getting bad. But if salt loses its saltiness, it is bad and cannot retain its usefulness. Disciples lose their usefulness if they do not sweeten and preserve society.

The usefulness of light is to drive away darkness. Without light there will always be darkness. God first created light. “Let there be light, and there was light” (Gen.1:3). As light, disciples are to drive away darkness for people to see clearly. The world must see us Disciples of Christ, as light that leads others from darkness to light. Christians are expected to be useful like salt and light.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR 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 Griffiths, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Keyon Hughes, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Margaret Lawrence, Colin Lee, Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, 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, Mary Thomas, 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

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

David Jones, John Evans, Theresa Desmond, Mary Ann Fenton, John O'Leary, Horace McCarthy, Gwilym Davies, Crohane Murphy.. Robert Surtees, Charles Joseph Sheehy, Mary Veronica Lewis, Brian John Morris

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK – HEALING MASS**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February, is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. There will be Healing Mass with the Anointing of the Sick at 10am at All Saints Church. Let us bring our sick relatives and parishioners for Divine Healing.

**VISIT TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

Are there any sick or housebound in the Parish? Please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Edmund as soon as possible to arrange for a visit and prayer for the sick person, be they at Home, Residential/ Nursing/Care Home or in a Hospital. Let the word of God through the Apostle James 5: 14-16 guide you in this regard. Thanks