

Collections for last Sunday

| Parish | Gift Aid | Loose | Levy | Total | At Mass |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Immaculate Conception | £188.00 | £62.66 | £87.21 | £337.87 | 117 |
| All Saints | £216.00 | £102.22 | £114.12 | £432.34 | 105 |
| St. John's | £141.00 | £20.11 | £19.70 | £180.81 | 35 |
| | | | Total | £951.02 | 257 |

Grateful thanks to everyone for your contributions.

Today there will be a retiring collection for World Communications Day.

Levy Payment due to the Archdiocese of Cardiff for 1 Apr 2016 to 1 March 2017:
 Immaculate Conception = £5,387; St. John = £3,234; All Saints = £6,157.

Parish Notices

- * **All Saints APF Red Boxes.** Please empty your boxes and hand your money in an envelope with your name to Mary Taylor or into the Sacristy ASAP.
- * **Corpus Christi Procession** will be held on Sunday 29th May after 10:30 Mass at All Saints, followed by a BBQ / Buffet. Anyone wishing to attend please add your name to the list in the porch for catering purposes.
- * **Know and Share** Faith Formation Group, will meet on Thursday 6:30pm at Immaculate Conception, all are welcome.
- * **Sunday Lunch** at Moose on 5th June at 1pm. Please see Yvonne Davies for your tickets Adults £8 and Children £4
- * The Archdiocese are holding a **Festival of Flowers** at the Cathedral from the 1st-4th July. As a Parish we are encourage to attend. For further details see notice board. In All Saints please see Patrick or Kay Dullea.



DAY OF MERCY

Come and have an Encounter with Jesus Christ the Risen Lord in Prayer, Repentance, Forgiveness and Healing, today Pentecost Day from 2:30pm – 5:00pm at St. John's Church, Rhymney.



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

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| Pentecost Sunday | Year C | Mass Book p284/294 | 15th May 2016 |
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| Vigil | 5:30pm | Immaculate Conception | Charles & Patrica Sheehy RIP Christopher Vincent Yandle RIP Butler Family |
| Pentecost Sunday | 9:00am | Immaculate Conception | For the Church(SVP) Dillwyn Herbert RIP B'day |
| | 10:30am | All Saints | Hodge Family Intentions Wellbeing of a Friend. |
| | 5:30pm | St John's | Mark & James Duggan RIP |
| Monday 16th | 10:00am | St John's | Patricia's Special Intention |
| Tuesday 17th | 7:00pm | Immaculate Conception | Bert Carroll B'day Anniv. |
| Wednesday 18th | 10:00am | All Saints | Augustine McCarthy RIP |
| Thursday 19th | 10:00am | St Josephs School | Special Intentions |
| Friday 20th | 7:00pm | Immaculate Conception | Patricia's Sp. Int |
| Saturday 21st | 10:00am | All Saints | Gwyn Thomas RIP |
| Vigil | 5:30pm | Immaculate Conception | Charles & Patrica Sheehy RIP Scannell Family RIP Mary Gerrish Anniv |
| Holy Trinity Sunday | 9:00am | Immaculate Conception | Merill & Ann Silver Wedding Betty Austyn-Prys RIP B'day |
| | 10:30am | All Saints | Michael Cliggett, Esme Worthington RIP, Patrick Twohig Snr & Jnr./ James Twohig RIP; Lana Mary Lynch RIP |
| | 5:30pm | St John's | Maria Kerwin RIP |

Vigil Lamps

Immaculate Conception: Our Lady Maria Kerwin RIP

Immaculate Conception: Sacred Heart Paul Smith

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 12 noon until 3:00pm

From the CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

“Thus the Church's mission is not an addition to that of Christ and the Holy Spirit, but is its sacrament: in her whole being and in all her members, the Church is sent to announce, bear witness, make present, and spread the mystery of the communion of the Holy Trinity (the topic of the next article):

All of us who have received one and the same Spirit, that is, the Holy Spirit, are in a sense blended together with one another and with God. For if Christ, together with the Father's and his own Spirit, comes to dwell in each of us, though we are many, still the Spirit is one and undivided. He binds together the spirits of each and every one of us, . . . and makes all appear as one in him. For just as the power of Christ's sacred flesh unites those in whom it dwells into one body, I think that in the same way the one and undivided Spirit of God, who dwells in all, leads all into spiritual unity.” (CCC, 738)

Gospel Reflection (from a parishioner)

Holy Gospel of John 20: 19 - 23

Pentecost brings Jesus' ministry to a focus: we are sent to continue Jesus' ministry, armed with the Holy Spirit and specific instructions as to what we are to do, forgive.

By his ascending into heaven and sending the Holy Spirit Christ makes his mission OUR mission. It is a great miracle that God chooses to make US real participants in God's plan of salvation and shearers in God's divine life. To forgive doesn't mean to forget; it means to restore love. This is the ministry for which the Spirit empowers us, and this is how we can live in peace.

In his last few days, a man would lie silent for hours with the Bible open by his side. One evening he lay thus, his wife had drawn her chair a little behind him,... something in the extreme serenity of his countenance prompted her to ask which of all the gifts of God he considered the greatest. He replied without hesitation "PEACE OF HEART"; without this we possess everything and yet not be happy; with it we can bear the hardest trials and the approach of death.

We are temples of the Holy Spirit.

Within us is the power of God, so we pray:

SPIRIT OF GOD, SHOW US THE WAY.

When we find it hard to forgive others,

SPIRIT OF GOD, SHOW US THE WAY.

When we search for peace of heart,

SPIRIT OF GOD, SHOW US THE WAY.

When we meet the broken - hearted

SPIRIT OF GOD, SHOW US THE WAY.

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, Peggy Hutton, 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, Mary Morris, Kieran Moseley, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Audrey Norris, 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, Millie Sullivan, Mary Thomas, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Nora Worthington, Helen Yabsley, Veronica Yandle, Tony Zeraschi, Debra Richards, Daniel Morgan Bennett, Raymond Tittle, Kitty Surtees. Mary James, Jeanette Prothero, Pauline Thomas.

✠ those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Robert Clancy, John O'Leary, Charlie Williams, Emily Lowry, Andreas Eul, Lawrence Worthington.. Marie Davies, Eileen Lee, Terrence John Jones, Patricia Stephens, Michael Roach, Edwin John Jones, Wilfred Gregory.

CENTENARY PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER

In our prayer pilgrimage around the Diocese for the Centenary Year we remember today the Parishes and People of St Mary Abertillery and St Mary Brynmawr with their Priest Rev. Liam Hennessy.

✠ Sacramental Preparation

Confirmation preparations will be every Friday from 5:00pm - 6:00pm followed by Adoration and Holy Mass at Immaculate Conception. Let our prayers accompany the candidates and their families.
