

**Collections for Last Sunday**

<i>Parish</i>	<i>Gift Aid</i>	<i>Loose</i>	<i>Levy</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>At Mass</i>
Immaculate Conception	£161.00	£107.65	£80.01	£348.66	Sat 38 Sun ??
All Saints	£205.00	£99.93	£138.45	£443.38	91
St. John's	£106.00	£14.10	£20.50	£140.60	29
			Total	<u>£932.64</u>	

*Grateful thanks to all for your offerings.*

**LENT**

✠ **Lent** begins on **Ash Wednesday** 14<sup>th</sup> February. It is a journey of forty days full of meanings and graces with acts of fasting, prayer, almsgiving and having the joy of the company of Jesus (The Word of God) through His passion, death and glorious resurrection leading us to the joy of Pentecost.

✠ On **Ash Wednesday** there will be two Masses in All Saints and Immaculate Conception and a service of **Distribution of Ashes**.

✠ **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays during Lent :

10am in *All Saints*; 10am in *St John's*; 7pm in *Immaculate Conception*

✠ Our **Deanery Lenten Station Mass** will be in Our Lady of The Angels, Cwmbran on Wednesday 21st February at 7pm. Please make every effort to come to the Mass. *(Can we run a bus? list in church porch for transport.)*

✠ **Walk with Me** booklets for Lent are available in church porch at £1 each

--- **NOTICES** ---

\* **All Saints Catholic School** goes GREEN under the Welsh Government categorisation. This is the highest category and the school is one of only six schools that are green in Blaenau Gwent. This acknowledges the hard work by Governors and Staff to provide high quality Catholic education to the pupils in the parish area. We would like to thank all the pupils who we value very much - and Parents for bringing their children to us and for all their support in our school improvement journey. Thank You Everyone!

\* Please remember the RCIA programme is every Tuesday and Wednesday at 6pm in Immaculate Conception.

\* Help still wanted at All Saints - to count Sunday collections. 6/8 people would be an ideal. Can you help? Please see Vince after Mass. Thank you.



**Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar**

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**Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*Mass Book P137 11th Feb 2018*

<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Mary & Charles Thomas Tony Zeraschi RIP Bridget O'Connor & Family James & Eileen Morris John Yandle (Sp Intention) Marion & Ypres Butler
<b>Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9:00am	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	For Special Intention of Clark, Smith, Bennett & Jones family Joanne Carroll wellbeing Lily Margaret, Peter Withanage RIP Chrispin Joseph RIP Bert Carroll RIP
	10:30am	<b>All Saints</b>	Kathleen Woolley RIP Gavin Burge RIP John O' Sullivan RIP
	5:30pm	<b>St. John's</b>	David Isaacs RIP
<b>Monday 12th</b>	10:00am	<b>St. John's</b>	Thanksgiving (CM)
<b>Tuesday 13th</b>	7:00pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	The Reardon Family RIP Joanne Carroll wellbeing Lily Margaret, Peter Withanage RIP Chrispin Joseph RIP Bert Carroll RIP
<b>Wed 14th Ash Wednesday</b>	10:00am	<b>All Saints</b>	Deceased members of the Canton Family.
	7:00pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	Special Thanksgiving to St Michael the Archangel
<b>Thursday 15th</b>	-	-	
<b>Friday 16th</b>	<u>7:00am</u>	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	
<b>Saturday 17th</b>	10:00am	<b>All Saints</b>	Donald Bennett RIP Karl O'Leary RIP
<b>Vigil</b>	5:30pm	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	McMiles & Hannigan family Daniel, Teresa, Patrick carpenter family
<b>1st Sunday of Lent</b>	9:00am	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	George Richardson RIP Mary & John Lloyd (Ann) RIP
	10:30am	<b>All Saints</b>	Cliggett Family Intention Bill Worthington RIP
	5:30pm	<b>St. John's</b>	

Please note: Mass on Friday during Lent at 7am at Immaculate Conception

	<b><u>VIGIL LAMPS</u></b>	
<b>All Saints:</b>	Our Lady	Fr. Joseph's Intentions
<b>All Saints:</b>	Sacred Heart	Sick of the Parish
<b>Immaculate Conception:</b>	Our Lady	Archbishop Stack
<b>Immaculate Conception:</b>	Sacred Heart	For the Pastoral area

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

<b>All Saints:</b>	Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm
<b>St. John:</b>	Monday after 10:00am Mass
<b>Immaculate Conception:</b>	Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

<b>All Saints:</b>	After Mass on Wednesday / Saturday
<b>St. John's:</b>	Before Mass on Sunday
<b>Immaculate Conception:</b>	Before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

**GOSPEL REFLECTION** (Mark 1:40-45)

Again in this gospel we find Jesus moved with pity. Leprosy was a living death: the sufferer was isolated from family and community, and had to cry out 'Unclean, unclean!' when anyone approached. Touching the leper made Jesus ritually unclean also. There are no lengths to which Jesus will not go to help this man. He touches him, speaks to him, and gives him his freedom to be fully human again.

Leprosy was a term which covered a variety of skin diseases. In Jewish law any or all of them made the victim unclean. Lepers were often banished from society lest they might infect others. For Jesus to touch a leper was shocking. But in this way Jesus shows his closeness to us in our need. We thank him for this.

The leper becomes a disciple – he spreads the word. He witnesses to Jesus' goodness. Can we let him take us by the hand so that we too may become witness to what God is doing in our lives?



✠ *Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area*

**whose anniversary occurs at this time:**

Edna O'Keefe, Michael Lynch, Shirley Skelly, Bridget Buckley, Dean O'Neill, Ernie Worthington, Nora Jones, Theresa French.. Charles Joseph Sheehy. Mary Veronica Lewis, Brian John Morris, Sharon Rosemary Browning, Kevin Charles Lewis.

**for the sick and housebound:**

**St John's:** Mary Benjamin (Thomas), Margaret Jones, Maureen Morgan, Peter Cavendar

**All Saints:** Derek Kerwick, Maria Bevan, John O'Leary, Maureen Matthews, Mary Moseley, John Godfrey, Norma Beecher, Kathleen Bennett, Margaret Williams, Joy Jones

**Immaculate Conception:** Kath Thomas, Pam Williams, Brian Garrett, Jeanette Badham, Yvonne Brown, Doris Norris, Kath Williams, Winnie Buckley, Louis Moorhead, Baby Isla, Mavis Garrett

**Anima Christi**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me  
 Body of Christ, save me  
 Blood of Christ, inebriate me  
 Water from the side of Christ, wash me  
 Passion of Christ, strengthen me  
 O good Jesus, hear me  
 Within Thy wounds hide me  
 Separated from Thee let me never be  
 From the malicious enemy defend me  
 In the hour of my death call me  
 And bid me come unto Thee  
 That I may praise Thee with Thy saints  
 Forever and ever  
 Amen