

### Collections for Last Sunday

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£133.50	£90.77	£106.12	£330.39	42 48
All Saints	£218.00	£99.15	£86.66	£403.81	88
St. John's	£96.00	£11.50	£17.00	£124.50	21
				£858.70	199

All Saints SVP Collection £117.00

*Grateful thanks to everyone for all your contributions and support.*

**Welcome Father Richard** We are all delighted that you have come to our Parish and we look forward to your care and ministry.

**ADVENT** A new liturgical year begins today with Advent. The Saviour of The World Jesus will come into our hearts as a baby. Let us prepare to welcome him over the next four weeks of Advent.

#### Parish news:

##### **All Saints**

- \* Grand Prize Draw List of Winners in Church Porch. The total raised for Parish Funds was £1200. Thank you again for your continued support.
- \* Please hand your Red APF boxes money to Mary Taylor or to the Sacristy.
- \* We have a selection of Christmas Cards, thanks to the Ladies at the Craft Class. Please give them your support by purchasing the cards. Thank you.

##### **Immaculate Conception**

- \* 100 club: 1<sup>st</sup>: 118 Robert Brown; 2<sup>nd</sup>: 126 Andrew Davies; 3<sup>rd</sup>: 183 Sheila Vowles.
- \* Christmas Prize Draw. Please take some tickets. All proceeds for the upkeep of our church.

**St Johns** Christmas Coffee Evening will be held in Rhymney hall on Saturday 14th December at 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Bishop Hedley** Join us for our School Community Lunch on 12th December 2019 from 1-5pm. Please contact the school for your place on 01685 358160.

##### **Coming up:**

Advent Retreat in Maesteg on 14th December. Rosary at 9:30, Mass at 10 followed by Reflection, Adoration and confession. Lunch at 12 o'clock.

##### **Mass times for Christmas**

**Christmas Eve:** All Saints 6pm; Immaculate Conception 8pm; St John's Midnight mass. **Christmas Day:** Immaculate Conception 10am. Carol singing before each mass.



**Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar**

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

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### First Sunday of Advent

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Saturday 30th	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
First Sunday of Advent	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	
	10:30am	All Saints	Terry McCarthy RIP Richard, Bridget & John Buckley RIP Maureen Matthews Intentions For the Society (SVP)
	5:30pm	St John's	
Mon 2nd	10:30am	St John's	
Tue 3rd	6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
Wed 4th	9:30am	All Saints	Mass & Adoration Peg Scrivens RIP In Thanksgiving for Ann Holmes
Thurs 5th	-	-	
Fri 6th	Adoration (12 -3pm) Mass 6:30pm	Immaculate Conception	
Sat 7th	10:00am	All Saints	Intentions of the Cliggett Family
Saturday vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Katie Marshall Idris Williams Agnes & Stephen Wellbeing
Second Sunday of Advent	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	
	10:30am	All Saints	Lionel Lewis RIP Bill Worthington RIP Private Intention (ML) For the Church (SVP)
	5:30pm	St John's	

**CHURCH LAMPS**

**All Saints:** *Our Lady* Wellbeing of All within our Pastoral area  
**All Saints:** *Sacred Heart* All our deceased relatives and friends  
**All Saints:** *St Joseph* The aged, the Sick and housebound  
**Imm Conception:** *Our Lady* The clergy, Religious & Seminarians  
**Imm Conception:** *Sacred Heart* The Pope, Cardinals & Nuncios

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)**

**All Saints:** After Mass on Wednesday / Saturday  
**St. John's:** Before Mass on Sunday and Monday  
**Immaculate Conception:** Before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

**Reflection on today's Gospel Matthew 24:37-44**

As we begin our new church year in Advent we are reminded of our main purpose in life – to be ready and looking forward to our eventual home with the Lord. This call can come suddenly upon us. But the Lord wishes us to be his friend when he calls us and offers this friendship to us throughout our lives.

Develop your own personal friendship with the Lord – as you are now doing while you spend this time in prayer.

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**† Eternal Rest**

Please pray for the Happy Repose of the soul of Pat Tagg, who died on Monday. Her Funeral arrangements are to be announced at a later date.  
 Please keep Pat and her family in your prayers. RIP

† *Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area:*

**whose anniversary occurs at this time:**

Winnie O'Connor, Crohane Murphy, John Glasson, Anthony O'Donovan, Alice Murphy, Lionel Lewis... Pauline Mary Thomas, Rosamond Jean Davies, Veronica Yandle, Glenys Simmons

**for the sick and housebound:**

**St John's:** Mary Benjamin (Thomas), Peter Cavendar, Maria Roberts

**All Saints:** Maureen Matthews, Norma Beecher, Margaret Williams, Maureen Hague, Susan Lewis, Joan Neville, Jennifer, Margaret Beecham, Norman Beecham, Mary Hillier, Ann Williams, Maria James

**Immaculate Conception:** Kath Thomas, Pam Williams, Mavis Garrett, Jeanette Badham, Yvonne Brown, Doris Norris, Kath Williams, Louis Moorhead, Baby Isla, Rowan Jay Powell, Keyon Hughes, Gavin Hughes.

<i>Anima Christi</i>
<b>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</b>

<i>Prayer to St Michael the Archangel</i>
<b>St. Michael the Archangel,      defend us in the day of battle.      Be our safeguard against the      wickedness and snares of the      Devil.      May God rebuke him, we      humbly pray and do thou,      Prince of the heavenly hosts,      by the power of God,      cast down to hell Satan,      and all wicked spirits,      who wander through the      world      for the ruin of souls.      Amen</b>