



Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar

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

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Collections for Sunday 26th January

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	Attendance
Immaculate Conception	£229.00	£66.29	£88.37	£383.66	137
All Saints	£228.00	£119.69	£103.08	£450.77	105
St. John's	£192.00	£29.20	£31.21	<u>£252.41</u>	<u>47</u>
			Total	<u>£1078.88</u>	<u>294</u>

The recent St John's Coffee Evening raised £115 for parish funds. Thank you to those who continue to support.

Thank you for all your contributions and generosity.

Parish Notices

TREDEGAR: SAFETY NOTICE.

Dangerous pieces of stone are falling from the church roof.

At the front of the Church, stone is falling from the roof to the left of the entrance doors, and also on the side access path from the Car Park (the Sirhowy Bridge side). Quotations have been requested for repairs.

It is essential that the car park is accessed only from the Sacristy side until repairs are made. Anyone now using the blocked pathway does so AT THEIR OWN RISK.

* Today Sunday 16th February is **Education Sunday**. Let us pray for all our schools, students, teachers and all those in education service.

* **Mission Appeal**. Next weekend we will Welcome Fr Jack Thora of Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) to our Pastoral Area for Mission Appeal. Please let us donate generously to a worthy course.

Fr. Edmund will be away from 17th to 28th of February to prepare for the Lenten season and Easter celebrations. May we support him with our prayers for a fruitful retreat and be assured that he will be doing the same for us.

There will be Eucharistic services and adorations on the weekdays that he is away at the usual Mass times. Let us come together to pray for our good and the good of the Church.

* **The Joy of The Gospel**. On Tuesday at the Cornerstone at St David's Cathedral from 13:45 to 15:15 we explore the implications of God becoming human and jumping into messiness of our lives with us. Bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be served.

Our Pastoral area website: www.trevcatholics.co.uk has this week's newsletter to view.

6th Sunday of Ordinary time Year A *(Mass Book p.136)* 16th February 2014

6th Sunday of Ordinary time (Vigil)	5:30pm	St John's	Thanksgiving – M. Radford
	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Glyn Davies RIP Reardon Family
	10:30am	All Saints	Jack O'Leary RIP Gina Basini - Gazzi RIP
	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Bridget O'Connell Christopher Yandle RIP
Monday 17th	10:00am	St John's	For unity in our Pastoral Area
Tuesday 18th	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Eucharistic Service Adoration
Wednesday 19th	10:00am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 20th	----	---	No Mass
Friday 21st	6:00pm	Immaculate Conception	No Mass. There will be Adoration and Eucharistic Service where possible
Saturday 22nd	---	---	No Mass
7th Sunday of Ordinary time (vigil)	5:30pm	St John's	Lazzaro Minoli, RIP Anniv
	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Fr. Leo Wolfe RIP
	10:30am	All Saints	Claire Liversage RIP
	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	John Butler

Confessions:

St John's: Monday after mass, Saturday 4:30pm - 5:00pm

Immaculate Conception: Tuesday 6:30-7pm; Friday 5:30pm

All Saints: Wed after mass; Saturday after mass

There will also be Confessions by arrangement.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St John's: Following Monday 10:00am Mass

All Saints: Following Wednesday 10:00am Mass

Immaculate Conception: Friday from 12 noon to 6:00pm with Mass following

Vigil Lamps

All Saints:	Our Lady	Margaret Lawrence
All Saints:	Sacred Heart	Private Intention
Immaculate Conception:	Our Lady	Agnes B McKenna
Immaculate Conception:	Sacred Heart	For the good of the Parish

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From the Parish Priest

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

‘If you wish you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power.’

“The new law is called a **law of Love** because it makes us act out of the Love infused by the Holy Spirit, rather than from fear; a **law of grace**, because it confers the strength of grace to act, by means of faith and the sacraments; a **law of freedom**, because it sets us free from the ritual and juridical observances of the Old Law, inclines us to act spontaneously by the prompting of charity and, finally, lets us pass from the condition of a servant who ‘does not know what his master is doing’ to that of a friend of Christ - ‘For all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you’ – or even to the status of son and heir” (CCC, 1972)

Beloved, let us listen to Christ who came not to abolish the Law but to fulfil it in Word and in action, and make known to us the wisdom which God has predestined to be ours before the ages begun. In faith may we open our hearts to the Graces Christ bestows upon us especially in the sacraments to empower us as His brothers and sisters for the Glory of God.

Remain in God’s love and care!

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Sacrament of Baptism

✠ Today we welcome IOLO DANIEL WATKINS to All Saints Church for the Sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate him and his family. May our prayers continue to accompany them in their faith journey.

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Gospel Reflection *from a Parishioner*

The Holy Gospel of Matthew 5: 17 - 37

Part of the Sermon - on - The - Mount, Jesus preached fulfilling the LAW and bringing it to completion with virtue (going deeper than the Scribes and Pharisees practiced) or never getting into the Kingdom of Heaven.

The LAW, being the Ten Commandments, the Pentateuch, (1st five books of the Bible) The LAW and the Prophets (the entire old Testament) and practices observed by every Jew.

Jesus chose three Commandments, - You must not kill - You must not commit adultery - and swearing an oath in God's Name. He particularly used ANGER - to say we must let it go, not hang on to it as it could lead to breaking the fifth commandment.

By calling on the Lord's Grace, Christ's Spirit will give us the power to fulfil his commandments and live as he did.

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Please pray for the parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially:

✠ **Those whose anniversary occurs at this time:** Ernie Worthington, Nora Jones, Janice Daniels, Francis Long, Mary Anne Fenton, Bryn Davies, Terry Briggs, Veronica O'Donovan, Clifford White, Anne O'Sullivan.

✠ **The sick:** Jeanette Badham, Michael Buckley, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Doris Chappell, Jim Clarke, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Hilda Dollin, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Margaret Griffiths, Lina Guidice, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Brenda Hayden, Mary Hillier, Ken Holmes, Kate Hooper, Graham Hughes, Keyon Hughes, Peggy Hutton, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Nigel Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Mabel Kelly, Maria Kerwin, Colin Lee, Margaret Lawrence, Margaret Leesk, Doris Lloyd, Eithnes McCardle, Pat & Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Mary Morris, Mary Moseley, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Audrey Norris, Cathy O’Leary, Jean Plummer, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Dennis Sullivan, Mary Thomas, Nell Turner, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Nora Worthington, Helen Yabsley, Tony Zeraschi.

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