



OUR LADY AND ST PATRICK MAESTEG ST. ROBERT ABERKENFIG

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| 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE 30th April 2017 MAESTEG Retiring Collection Maintenance Fund | Aberkenfig 9am | People of the Parishes Private Intention |
| | Maesteg 11 am | Delyth Waters <i>RIP</i> (TB) Readers: Keith Lewis & Maria Cahalane BP: Janet Butler |
| | Maesteg 4.45 pm | Marshall Petty <i>RIP</i> (MB&f) Reader: Anthony Petty BP Matthew |
| Monday 1 st May 2017 3 rd Week Eastertide | Maesteg 6 pm | James Hayes & deceased members of Hayes Family <i>RIP</i> (PT&S) Reader: Lucy |
| Tuesday 2 nd May 2017 St Athanasius | Maesteg 11 am | Gary Donoghue <i>RIP</i> (ND) Reader: Jacqui Summers |
| Wednesday 3 rd May 2017 Ss Philip and James | Maesteg 9.15 am | Graham White <i>RIP</i> (TW) Reader: Tess White |
| | Maesteg 10.30 am | Funeral Service Eileen Morris <i>RIP</i> |
| Thursday 4 th May 2017 3 rd Week of Eastertide | Maesteg 9.15 am | Alex Collins <i>RIP</i> (M&RC) Reader: Janet Butler |
| | Aberkenfig 10.30 am | Private Intention |
| Friday 5 th May 2017 3 rd Week of Eastertide | Maesteg 10 am | Ann Doyle <i>RIP</i> (MJ) Reader: Keith Lewis |
| Saturday 6 th May 2017 3 rd Week of Eastertide | Maesteg 10 am 10.45 to 11.15 am <i>Confessions & Exposition</i> | Mary Elson <i>RIP</i> (KK&f) Reader: Katie Kehoe |
| 4th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE 7th May 2017 Blessed Sacrament Lamp: Special Intention Our Lady's Lamp: Holy Communicants | Aberkenfig 9am | Margaret Williams <i>RIP</i> People of the Parishes |
| | Maesteg 11 am | Pitman & Jones Families <i>RIP</i> (T&A) Norman McDonald <i>RIP</i> (DG&P) Readers: Maria Browne & Paul Donoghue BP: Eileen Davies |
| | Baptism 12.30 pm Olivia Bolger Davies | Margaret Tew <i>RIP</i> (RT&f) Readers: Lucy, Jessica & Matthew BP Matthew |
|  | Maesteg 4.45 pm <i>Confessions 4 - 4.30 pm</i> | Margaret Tew <i>RIP</i> (RT&f) Readers: Lucy, Jessica & Matthew BP Matthew |

NOTICES

REQUIESCANT IN PACE: In our daily prayers let us remember our deceased brothers and sisters who have gone before us on our pilgrimage of faith, especially those with Anniversaries at this time. Recently died Rev Fr Liam Gavigan (former Curate of the Parish), John Rees, Eileen Morris, Mary Elson; please remember them and their families in your prayers at this sad time.

Prayer Intentions for our sick and deceased. If you have anyone to be added to our list of sick who need praying for please let Fr. Michael know in order for their name to be added to the list. Please also advise when they have recovered in order for their name to be removed.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Confirmation: as previously published if you are thinking of taking the Sacrament of Confirmation please make sure you come to the meeting on Monday, 8 May at Saint Mary's Bridgend at 7 o'clock . Please do bring with you either a parent or sponsor, and if you have proof of your baptism or at least where it took place . This is for all people of the Deanery who are thinking of receiving THE great Sacrament of Confirmation . Our Confirmation date is the 23rd/24th of June 2017.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Please continue to pray for our children who are preparing for this important milestone on their faith journey.

CARDS AND GIFTS are available in both of our churches, some at reduced prices.

Available to order are First Communion Bibles, presentation prayer books and Mass books; samples are available to view. Dresses, head-dresses, etc. are available at a reduced cost; available in the Repository, Maesteg, with Maria.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations and every blessing to Tyler Baden Thomas who was received into our community last Sunday. Congratulations to his parents and family.

BELMONT ABBEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION , WEDNESDAY, 10TH MAY, 9 PM

A special Torchlight Procession in honour of the centenary of Our Lady of Fatima, in the presence of the relics of the visionaries. Are you interested in attending? If so transport will be arranged to leave Maesteg at 6 pm, picking up at Aberkenfig. Returning from Belmont at 10.30 pm. Further details next week. List will be available.

ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA TRIP: Saturday, 13th May, leaving Maesteg at 7.45 am, picking up at Aberkenfig, and returning at 5.30 pm. Cost £17. Further details soon. Register available.

“AMORIS LAETITIA” “THE JOY OF LOVE” – EVERYONE IS WELCOME! On Thursday 18th May at the Cornerstone, Cardiff, 10 for 10.30 m until 3 pm & lunch is provided.

Fr Chris Thomas will offer an introduction to Amoris Laetitia Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on marriage and the family as an aid to reflection, dialogue and pastoral practice through the lens of the home, parish, school partnership.

Fr Chris Thomas has been a full-time youth chaplain, university chaplain, parish priest and is now director of the Irenaeus Project. Fr Chris has spoken at conferences in England, Ireland and mainland Europe and is a member of the National Service Team for Charismatic Renewal and a regular contributor of the Good News magazine. Entry: £10 for FAMILIAS Members, Associates and Friends; £20 for all others ; lunch is provided. Booking is essential: please contact the local Co-ordinator Joanne White 02920 365964 or Deacon Rob Coyne, 01656 783540.