




## OUR LADY AND ST PATRICK MAESTEG ST. ROBERT ABERKENFIG

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<b>28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>15<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b>  <b>MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY</b>  <b>STATISTICS COUNT 3</b>  <b>Retiring Collection Maintenance</b> <b>Restoration will be on 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Aberkenfig 9 am</b>	<b>Moira Costain <i>RIP</i></b> <b>People of the Parishes</b>
	<b>Maesteg 11 am</b>	<b>Pitman &amp; Jones Families <i>RIP (T&amp;A)</i></b> <b>Readers: Paul Donoghue /Tess White</b> <b>BP: Eileen Davies</b>
	<b>Maesteg 4.45 pm</b>	<b>Ellen, Brian, Peter, Eddie &amp;</b> <b>Buckley Family <i>RIP (A&amp;GH)</i></b> <b>Reader: Margaret Buckley BP Angela</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b> <b>Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year 1, Week 28</b>	<b>Maesteg 10 am</b>  <b>Maesteg 4.30 pm</b>	<b>Tranquillo Tambini <i>RIP (KR)</i></b> <b>Reader: Tess White</b>  <b>Reception of body Michael Butler <i>RIP</i></b>
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b> <b>St Ignatius of Antioch</b>	<b>Maesteg 1 pm</b>  <b>Aberkenfig 6.30 pm</b>  <b>Aberkenfig 7 pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass - Michael Butler <i>RIP</i></b>  <i>Confessions with</i> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>  <b>Private Intention</b>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b> <b>St Luke</b>	<b>Maesteg 10 am</b>	<b>Ken Lucas <i>RIP (ML)</i></b> <b>Reader: Eileen Davies</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b> <b>Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year 1, Week 28</b>	<b>Maesteg 9 am</b>  <b>Maesteg 10 am</b>	<b>Frank Sullivan <i>RIP (Family)</i></b> <b>Reader: Keith Lewis</b>  <b>Funeral Service Edward John Cleary <i>RIP</i></b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b> <b>Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year 1, Week 28</b>	<b>Maesteg 10 am</b>  <b>Maesteg 6 to 7 pm</b>	<b>Maureen &amp; Jack Jenkins <i>RIP (C&amp;TJ)</i></b> <b>Reader: Jacqui Summers</b>  <i>Confessions with</i> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>Benediction</i>
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017</b> <b>Our Lady</b>	<b>Maesteg 10 am</b>  <b>Maesteg 10.30 am - 11 am</b>	<b>Terence, Denis &amp; Eddie <i>RIP (MB&amp;f)</i></b> <b>Reader: Margaret Buckley</b> <i>Confessions with Exposition of</i> <i>the Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>World Mission Sunday</b>   <b>Blessed Sacrament Lamp:</b> Special Intention <b>Our Lady's Lamp:</b> Sick of the Parish	<b>Aberkenfig 9 am</b>	<b>Angelo Rossettoira Costain</b> <b>People of the Parishes</b>
	<b>Maesteg 11 am</b>	<b>William Connolly <i>RIP (ND&amp;f)</i></b> <b>Tom McDonnell <i>RIP (M&amp;f)</i></b> <b>Readers: Bernard Rawlings/Maria Cahalane</b> <b>BP: Maria Browne</b>
	<b>Maesteg 4.45 pm</b>	<b>Margaret Heath &amp; Arthur Williams <i>RIP (GBG)</i></b> <b>Reader: Michelle Bumford BP Ezme &amp; Iona</b>

**RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY (both Parishes) MISSIO**

## NOTICES

**EQUIESCANT 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.

Please keep in your prayers recently departed Michael Butler, Edward John Cleary, Leonard Raymond, Mary O'Brien, May they rest in peace.  
May God comfort their families.

### **PASTORAL:**

- Please note the schedule of Masses, Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at both Parishes. **CHANGE THIS WEEK.**
- CONFESSIONS also available on request.
- **OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY:**
  - ROSARY prayed 15 minutes before each Mass. *Parishioners to lead.*
  - TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION to celebrate the Month of the Holy Rosary 6.30 pm Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 at Maesteg for both Parishes.
- **SICK OF OUR PARISHES:** Father Edmund will be visiting regularly and where possible will telephone beforehand.
- **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. Edmund 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.
- **PARISH MEETING FOR PARISHIONERS OF ABERKENFIG AND MAESTEG:**  
*Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30 pm in School Hall, Maesteg.*

Father Edmund requests that Parishioners of both Parishes write to him on your expectations of the future of the Parishes; please pray that the Lord will guide you. Either drop your letter into letter box or into the Sacristy, no later than next Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017. This will help to draw up a quarterly programme.

### PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST PATRICK MAESTEG

**COFFEE MORNING:** Wednesday mornings after Mass. All welcome.

**LADIES GUILD:** Wednesday evenings 7 pm.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Congratulations and every blessing to Eliza Jenty McGee who was baptised last Sunday. Congratulations to her parents and family.

**100 PLUS CLUB SEPTEMBER 2017:** 1<sup>ST</sup> £50 (123) Irene Thomas,  
2<sup>nd</sup> £30 (36) Angela Brennan, 3<sup>rd</sup> £20 (331) Jason Treharne 4<sup>th</sup> £10 (162) Janet Butler.

**FUNDRAISING NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE TODAY  
WITH FULL DETAILS HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT.**

### PARISH OF ST ROBERT ABERKENFIG

**WICK & HOUSEBOUND:** please give details (name, address and phone number) to Bernadette Lewis so that a list of those to be visited can be made.

**100 CLUB WINNERS:** 1st £40 J. Thomas (132), 2nd £10 G.J. Lewis ( 22 ), 3rd £10 A. Reynolds ( 78 )

**IFT AID ENVELOPES:** new envelopes available at the back of the Church.

**COFFEE / TEA:** after Mass on Sunday 29th October in the Sacristy. All monies raised will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Care via A.D.U.C.

**Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – Newsletter General**

## Parish Fund Raising 2017

**Dear Parishioners:** To the admiration of the Archbishop and the Diocese, Our Lady and St Patrick's has raised over the last 10 years in excess of £155,000. This is a remarkable sum and a commitment that is unique to us. We can be proud of our devotion to our Church and Parish.

Despite this tremendous achievement, 2016 vs. 2015 saw a fall in fund raising revenue by 33%. That is to say, in 2016 in order to achieve our commitment to the Diocese's loan of £20,000 per annum, we drew monies from the redundant 'Tesco Voucher Scheme' and from the 300+Club to the tune of £6000. The Tesco voucher scheme no longer exists, and no longer provides revenue to us.

Our parishioners continue to do the best they can to support fund raising activities against all the odds, but we must advise everyone that now in the third quarter of 2017, we are facing a considerable deficit in revenue to achieve our commitment to the diocese of £20,000 per annum. Consequently we are launching a series of fund raising events through October into early December that should appeal to all tastes and pockets with events to excite and entertain you. Please help us to support our Parish Church.

### ***Forthcoming events:***

- **Grand Christmas Raffle:** This is a great opportunity to raise over £2000 if each parish family would take just three raffle ticket books to sell at 50p per ticket to a friend, a family member, a work colleague, or anyone you know. Draw takes place in early December - fantastic cash and gift prizes.
- **Director's Chair;** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – ***'Their Finest'***- *In 1940, a married woman and a screenwriter develop a growing attraction while working together on a propaganda film about the evacuation of Allied troops from Dunkirk, France* – warm, entertaining and moving with a firm Welsh connection.
- **'A Tribute to Murder' – Banksies Babes** presents **for** Our Lady & St Patrick's a 'murder mystery' in two acts, at the Workmen's Club, Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. **Can you investigate and solve the mystery of who killed 'Ivor Keychange'?** These Murder Mystery performances have currently raised in excess of £3000 for three local charities. Come along and be entertained and quiz the murder suspects. £8.00 per ticket, includes buffet.
- **Bridgend Male Choir in Concert at Our Lady & St Patrick's**, with soprano **Angharad Morgan**. Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 19.30. £10.00 per ticket, which includes an interval complimentary glass of classic wines and cocktail nibbles. 100 tickets sold shall provide a profit of approaching £600 for our Church fund.
- **Cheltenham Christmas Market day trip** – Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> November. Join us for Christmas shopping at the regency classic spa and shopping resort of George IV. Enticing shopping, Christmas ideas, fine dining and a truly inspiring historical city of great beauty. £15.00 return. Leave Our Lady and St Patrick's, Commercial St, 8.00; return 17.30
- **Parish Table Top Sale at the Town Hall**, 2<sup>nd</sup> December – details to be confirmed.