



**NEWSLETTER**

**THE PARISHES OF  
OUR LADY AND ST PATRICK MAESTEG  
ST. ROBERT ABERKENFIG**

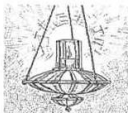
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<p><b>Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe – Year B 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018</b></p> <p><i>Maesteg: Retiring Collection Restoration</i></p>	Aberkenfig 9am	Deceased Members of Keane Family <i>Faithful Departed</i>
	Maesteg 11 am	Thomas & Margaret Maloney & Maldwyn Hughes RIP (PH) <i>Faithful Departed</i> Readers: Keith Lewis & Maria Cahalane BP Eirlys Furlong
	Maesteg 4.45pm	Gwen Richards RIP (CW) <i>People of the Parishes</i> Readers: Michael Lawler BP: Michelle Bumford
<p><b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time Year 11 Week 34</p>	Maesteg 10.30 am	REQUIEM MASS Maureen Blackwell RIP
<p>Fr. Edmund will be away for a break before the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.</p>	<p><b>NO MASSES</b> from Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November - Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December.</p>	<p>Mass Intentions will be transferred to next week.</p>
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 2<sup>ND</sup> December 2018</b></p> <p><b>Our Lady &amp; St Patrick Parish</b> Blessed Sacrament Lamp: <i>Special Intention</i> Our Lady's Lamp: <i>Sick of the Parish</i></p> 	Aberkenfig 9am	Father Dewi Davis RIP (BL) <i>People of the Parishes</i>
	Maesteg 11 am	Paul and Jackie Waters RIP (SW) Readers: Jacqui Summers & Bernard Rawlings BP Keith Lewis
	Maesteg 4.45 pm	Gwen, Doris & Nellie RIP (CW) Readers: Michelle Bumford BP: Grandchildren

**Our Lady and St Patrick Parish**

**We welcome the Pupils and Staff of the School and their families to today's Celebration of The Solemnity of Christ Our Universal King at Our Lady and St. Patrick. May Christ the King of Glory reign in us and fill us all with true justice, peace and joy.**

**REQUIESCANT IN PACE:** Please keep in your prayers Maureen Blackwell who has died recently. *May she rest in peace, Amen.* Please also remember her family at this sad time. In our daily prayers let us also remember our heroes who died in War conflicts, our faithful departed and our deceased brothers and sisters who have gone before us on our pilgrimage of faith, especially those with Anniversaries at this time.

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**CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES MAESTEG TOWN – NEXT SATURDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER:**

**BLESSING OF THE CRIB 10.30 am** outside the Maesteg Town Council Offices. Our Primary School children singing Christmas Carols.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE – Maesteg Town Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018 -10 am to 1 pm:** We will have a 'BRAN TUB' and CAKE STALL – please come and support. Please bring cakes to Town Hall from 9 am. If you need them to be collected please ring Margaret on 07712625493. Jacque Summers will be raffling her own home-made cake. *Tickets available today.*

From 11 am various activities for children in Market Square.

From 2 pm “Live with Bridge FM AND LEE JUKES” entertainment and Christmas Carols – Front of Town Hall.

**CHRISTMAS PARADE** leaves Ewenny Road for Town at 3.30 pm.

**SWITCH ON OF LIGHTS/FIREWORK DISPLAY** 4.30 pm.

**FATHER CHRISTMAS GROTTO/DISCO MAESTEG TOWN HALL** 5 pm.

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** Sincere thanks for responding to this great opportunity to raise funds. Tickets still available. A chance for us to raise £2000 if we all sell to family and friends. Draw takes place second Wednesday of December. Thank you for your continued support.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Michelle Bumford for successfully completing a course for **CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY** at MARYVALE INSTITUTE, the only International Catholic College for Theology, Philosophy, Religious Education and Catechesis, in the UK. She received her award at a colourful graduation ceremony at St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham, on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2018. We pray that she would use her newly acquired knowledge and skill for the good of the families of our Parish and the good of the Church.

**FOODBANK:** Foodbank is urgently in need of the following items: Tinned food - corned beef, soup, vegetables, spam, etc. Sponge puddings, Sugar, long life milk, custard, cereals, chocolates (Christmas Time), toiletries, Shampoo, soap, wet wipes deodorant, cotton buds, toilet rolls.

**Parish Development and Maintenance:** Repair Works on the Balcony of the Presbytery is on-going. Thanks for your support in praying for a good weather for the past weeks. Your continuous support in prayer and contributions/donations for general maintenance and development of the Parish is very much appreciated. God Love you all.

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**PARISH PRIZE DRAW** to raise some funds for Parish maintenance and bills. This is our only method of raising much needed funds to support the upkeep of our church building. If you are able could you supply a prize for the draw – a list is available in the porch to add your name. Tickets available. The Draw will take place on Friday Dec. 14th. Grateful thanks for your support.

**FOODBANK:** Food is collected weekly and taken on a Thursday to the collection point in Aberkenfig Community Church. Currently looking for jam, honey and sauce, tinned foods items and toiletries.

**Sick and retired Clergy Fund:** Thank you for your generous donations towards the sick and clergy fund. We still have some Envelopes at the back of the Church for the sick and retired Clergy Fund for those who may still need them. Tax Payers are encouraged to Gift Aid their donations at no Extra cost to them.