



# NEWSLETTER

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

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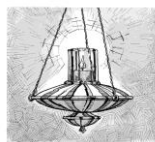
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<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018</b> The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph  <b>Retiring Collection Maesteg            Maintenance Fund</b>	Aberkenfig 9am	<b>Thanksgiving (BL)</b> <i>People of the Parishes</i>
	Maesteg 11 am	<b>Bob McGee RIP (J&amp;AB)</b> Readers: Jacqui Summers & Bernard Rawlings BP Maria Browne
	Maesteg 4.45pm	<b>Marjorie Barnes RIP (MB&amp;f)</b> Readers: Michael Lawler & Angela Brennan
<b>Monday 31st December 2018</b>  <b>MONDAY VIGIL MASS (Solemnity)</b> <b>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</b> <i>WITH ADORATION OF THE            BLESSED SACRAMENT            UNTIL MIDNIGHT AND            BENEDICTION</i>	Maesteg 10 am	<b>Jackie &amp; Paul Waters RIP (SW)</b> Reader: Tess White
	Maesteg 10.30 pm	<b>John, Julia &amp; Rowlands family RIP (MB)</b> Readers: Tess White & Maria Cahalane BP Bernard Rawlings
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019</b> <i>Solemnity</i> <b>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</b>	Aberkenfig 9 am	<b>People of our Parishes</b> <b>Sick of our Parishes</b>
	Maesteg 11 am	<b>Matthew Morgan RIP (LR&amp;F)</b> <b>Gill John RIP (MA&amp;f)</b> Readers: Kelly Family
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2019</b> Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen	Maesteg 10 am	<b>Private Intention (B)</b> Reader: Eirllys Furlong
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019</b> The Holy Name of Jesus	Aberkenfig 10 am	Private Intention
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b> Weekday before Epiphany	Maesteg 10 am	<b>Anne Mick Cleary RIP (L&amp;f)</b> Reader: Jacqui Summers
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	Maesteg 10 am	<b>Lucas &amp; Thomas Families RIP (ML)</b> Reader: Maria Cahalane
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019</b> Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord  <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>	Aberkenfig 9 am	<b>Charles Downey RIP</b> <i>People of the Parishes</i>
	Maesteg 11 am	<b>Patrick, Michael &amp; Janet RIP (Bf)</b> Readers: Paul Donoghue & Maria Browne BP Eileen Davies
	Maesteg 4.45 pm	<b>Sinnott family RIP (CW)</b> Readers: Michelle, Stephanie & family.



## NOTICES

**Gratitude:** I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to all who worked hard to make the Christmas celebrations special, by cleaning and decorating the Churches, arranging things for the liturgy and participating in the celebration.

I will also like to say a very big thank you for the cards, presents, good wishes and Christmas offerings. May the Good Lord richly bless you all and multiple your generosity a hundredfold for you and all your love ones. God love you!

**A HOLY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU.**

**Fr Edmund.**

**ETERNAL REST:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. John Owen. His body will be received into Nazareth House on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2019 at 4.30pm. The Funeral Mass will take place in Nazareth House Chapel on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January at 12noon. May he rest in perfect peace and rise in Eternal Glory.

**ETERNAL REST:** Glenys Pulverenti, Peter Harpur, Bernard John Williams. Please pray for them and their families at this sad time. May they rest in perfect peace and rise in Eternal Glory. Funeral arrangements will be published next week.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND EVERY BLESSING:** To Danielle & Lloyd Price who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony on Friday.

**FOODBANK MAESTEG AND ABERKENFIG:** Thanks to Parishioners who donate food each week.

**CHRISTMAS 300 PLUS DRAW MAESTEG:** 1st £500 (138) H Rogers, 2nd £250 (22) Margaret Harding, 3rd £100 (291) Philip Jenkin, £10 winners – (42) Isabella Fowler, (110) Joyce Whiteside, (234) Anthony Whitty, (132) Samantha Morgan, (275) Margaret Whitty, (238) Michael Grady. *Thank you* for your continued support to this fundraiser. Cards AND further information on the Scheme available mid January 2019.

**ABERKENFIG CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAW:** Results on the Notice Board. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

**Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 03rd July 2019.** £649.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions/guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.