

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



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<p>Sunday 3rd March 2019 8th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C</p> <p>Day of Prayer for the Unemployed</p> <p>Retiring Collection Maesteg Levy Fund</p>	<p>Aberkenfig 9am</p>	<p>Ann Doyle RIP (ED) People of the Parishes</p>
	<p>Maesteg 11 am</p>	<p>Michael Harpur RIP (M&f) Readers: Paul Donoghue & Maria Browne BP Eileen Davies</p>
	<p>Maesteg 4.45pm</p>	<p>Tranquillo Tambini RIP (MT) Readers: Michelle Bumford BP Stephanie Davies</p>
<p>Monday 4th March 2019 Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year I Week 8</p>	<p>Maesteg 10 am</p>	<p>Victoria Bord RIP (PW) Reader: Paul Woods</p>
<p>Tuesday 5th March 2019 Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year I Week 8</p>	<p>Aberkenfig 6 pm</p>	<p>Holy Mass – Private Intention</p>
<p>Wednesday 6th March 2019 ASH WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Day of Fasting and Abstinence</p> <p>Distribution of Ashes at all Masses</p>	<p>Maesteg 9.10 am</p>	<p>Thanksgiving 65th Anniversary Jean & Bernard Bolger (KK) Reader: Kate Kehoe</p> <p>Joe Dwyer RIP (L&AC) Reader: Keith Lewis</p> <p>Holy Souls</p> <p>John & Mary Sullivan</p>
	<p>Maesteg 7 pm</p>	
	<p>St Roberts School 10.30 am</p> <p>St Roberts 6 pm</p>	
<p>Thursday after Ash Wednesday 7th March 2019</p>	<p>Aberkenfig 10 am</p>	<p>Private Intention RIP</p>
<p>Friday after Ash Wednesday 8th March 2019</p>	<p>Maesteg 10 am</p>	<p>Kevin Bolger RIP (J&BB) Reader: Tess White</p>
<p>Saturday after Ash Wednesday 9th March 2019</p>	<p>Maesteg 10 am 10.30 – 12 noon</p>	<p>Janet Butler RIP (J&JS) Exposition and Confessions</p>
<p>Sunday 10th March 2019 1st Sunday of Lent</p> <p></p> <p>Our Lady & St Patrick Parish Blessed Sacrament Lamp: <i>Special Intention</i></p> <p>Our Blessed Lady's Lamp: <i>Sick of the Parish</i></p>	<p>Aberkenfig 9 am</p>	<p>Molly, Billy & Liam Stocking RIP People of the Parishes</p>
	<p>Maesteg 11 am</p>	<p>Winnie Cleary & Thomas McDonnell RIP (MMcD) Readers: Keith Lewis & Maria Cahalane BP Jacqui Summers</p>
	<p>Maesteg 4.45 pm</p>	<p>June Hawker RIP (I&DW) Readers: Michael Lawler BP Angela Brennan</p>

ETERNAL REST: We pray for the repose of the soul of Joe Dwyer, Ann (nee Maloney)*RIP*.

May they rest in perfect peace and rise in Eternal Glory. Our prayers and sincere sympathies go to their bereaved family.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Instructions have commenced. If anyone is considering entering the Catholic Church or requires more information, please contact me. *Father Edmund*.

CYCLE OF PRAYER: TODAY WE PRAY FOR THE PARISH OF SAINT HELEN, BARRY AND SAINT HELEN'S SCHOOLS.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & LENTEN REFLECTIONS every Friday of Lent at 6pm at Our Lady & St. Patrick Church, Maesteg. **All are cordially invited.**

"WALK WITH ME" Booklet: A Lenten Journey of Prayer for 2019 – Living a Holy Life; is available at the back of the Church. The readings and prayers of this short booklet will be very helpful in our Journey towards the Celebration of the Resurrection of Christ Jesus at Easter and beyond. Please get copies for yourself and for friends and family at £1 each.

OPEN MORNING – NAZARETH HOUSE: Since the 1870s, Nazareth House has been at the heart of caring for those in need in Cardiff, but have you wondered what our role is, now that we are in the twenty-first century? We have always cared for the elderly and this is now our primary role within the Archdiocese community. A series of Open Mornings will be held over the coming months where the Sisters and members of staff will be available to discuss the services which we now offer. Please join us following 10 am Mass for tea, coffee and biscuits, on the Wednesday of alternate months. **The first Open Morning is planned for 3rd April. You are very welcome to attend!**

"LET THE GOOD YOU DO LIVE AFTER YOU"

The Bequests brochure and information circulated with the February edition of Catholic People is an extension of the "Bequests Fortnight" instituted by the Bishops Conference of England and Wales last Autumn. Bequests are a vital source of income for all charities – not least the Church. As well enabling good work to be carried on in the donors' memory, charitable bequests can also reduce the tax liability due on many estates. Remembering that the wording of a will is very important. The Diocesan Treasurer is able to advise on bequests to parishes so that they do not fail if ever challenged.

Be pleased to leave a legacy in your Will in support of the work of the Lord in His Holy Church.

OUR LADY AND ST PATRICK PARISH

OUR LADY & ST. PATRICK'S DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE: There will be a meeting on Thursday 7th March at 7pm in the meeting room, to consider the way forward for the conversion of the 'Lounge' and Parish Office into a big meeting hall. *All interested parishioners are invited.*

300 PLUS CLUB 2019: The **300 Plus Team** are available today, for the few members to pick up cards and to register any new members. *Sincere thanks. The draw takes place this week. Winners will be included in next week's Newsletter.*

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COLLECTIONS: 24.2.19 Gift Aid £115, Loose £77.43.

FOODBANK: Following items would be appreciated: soup, tinned veg, corned beef, tinned meat, custard, rice pudding, biscuits, curry sauce, sanitary goods, cartons of UHT milk and fruit juice. Food is collected weekly at the back of the Church and taken on a Thursday to the collection point in Aberkenfig Community Church.

100CLUB FOR 2019: subscriptions are now being taken. £12 for the year. Envelopes available at the back of the Church. If you are not a member and would like to join please speak to Bill Ennis.

A.D.U.C. LENTEN LUNCH 12 noon at Smyrna Chapel, Penyfai Saturday March 9th.

DIARY DATES DURING LENT:

Prayer Circle March 13th 10am followed by coffee, March 27th 11.30 am followed by Lenten soup lunch, April 10th 10 am followed by Lenten breakfast.

Lenten Reflection March 20th 7 pm.

Stations of the Cross April 3rd 10 am followed by coffee.

