



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

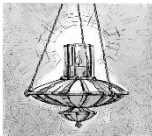
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Sunday 9th February 2020 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Retiring collection Maesteg Maintenance	Aberkenfig 9am	Edda Jones <i>RIP (PC)</i> People of the Parishes
	Maesteg 11 am	Jimmy Roche <i>RIP (LR&f)</i> Pitman & Jones Families <i>RIP (T&AJ)</i> Readers: Keith Lewis & Eileen Davies BP Eirlys Furlong
	Maesteg 4.45pm	Coleman Family <i>RIP (AD&f)</i> Readers: Michelle Bumford BP Stephanie Davies
Monday 10th February 2020 St Scholastica	Maesteg 10 am	Ona Worrall <i>RIP (AT&f)</i> Reader: Tess White
Tuesday 11th February 2020 Our Lady of Lourdes	Aberkenfig 10 am	Sheila McGettigan <i>RIP</i>
Wednesday 12th February 2020 Fifth Week of Ordinary Time	Maesteg 10 am	Joe Dwyer <i>RIP (MD)</i> Reader: Eirlys Furlong
Thursday 13th February 2020 Fifth Week of Ordinary Time	Aberkenfig 10 am	Special Intentions of Rachel, Tom & Emily Cobb
Friday 14th February 2020 Ss Cyril and Methodius	Maesteg 10 am Maesteg 10.30am-6pm	Elizabeth Bumford <i>RIP (R&P)</i> Reader: Michelle Bumford <i>Exposition & Adoration of</i> <i>The Blessed Sacrament</i>
Saturday 15th February 2020 Votive Memorial Our Blessed Lady	Maesteg 10.30 am Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick	Tess Keane <i>RIP (S&MK)</i> Reader: Maria Cahalane
Sunday 16th February 2020 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Maesteg: Retiring Collection Restoration</i>  Our Lady & St Patrick Parish Blessed Sacrament Lamp: <i>Special Intention</i> Our Blessed Lady's Lamp: <i>Sick of the Parish</i>	Aberkenfig 9 am	Canon Tom Keane <i>RIP</i> Ben & Kevin Keane <i>RIP</i>
	Maesteg 11 am	Lily Bolger <i>RIP (SVP)</i> People of the Parishes Readers: Tess White & Maria Browne BP Keith Lewis
	Maesteg 4.45 pm	Mary Paget <i>RIP (CW&f)</i> Readers: Michael Lawler BP Michelle Bumford

ETERNAL REST: Please pray for the repose of the Souls of Brenda Hacker whose funeral will be on Monday, 10th February 2020 at 3.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium; Noreen Blower whose funeral will be on Thursday, 20th February 2020 at 1pm at Our Lady & St. Patrick, and Jean Seldon who has recently passed away. May they rest in peace and rise in Eternal Glory. May our sympathies and prayers be with their families.

NOTICES

MASS FOR THE SICK: There will be a Healing Mass with the anointing of the Sick organised by the SVP on Saturday 15th February 2020 at 10.30 am at Our Lady & St. Patrick, Maesteg. All the sick, their families and carers are welcome. Let us all come and pray with them for their healing.

FAITH & BIBLE SHARING: There will be Faith and Bible Sharing every Thursday at 6pm at The Presbytery Hall. Tea & Coffee would be served. All interested persons are welcome.

RCIA: People seeking to be received into communion with the Catholic Church are invited every Thursday to the Bible and Faith sharing at 6pm in the Presbytery Hall.

MARRIAGE SEMINAR & COURSE: There will be a marriage Seminar & Course on Saturday 29th February 2020 from 10am to 1pm at Our Lady & St. Patrick, Maesteg. All those Preparing for Marriage and those recently married and those seeking to renew their marriage commitment in the Lord are welcome. There will be shared Lunch.

“WHY MEDJUGORJE?”: There will be a Talk & Video Show on the Apparition of Our Lady at Medjugorje and the messages of Our Lady on Thursday 13th February 2020 at 6pm at the Presbytery Hall. Speaker: Mr. Philip Illsley, a ‘Veteran Pilgrim’ to Medjugorje. All are cordially invited. Side attraction Tea & Coffee and Video of the Holy Land.

WELSH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2020:

Tuesday 22nd – 29th September 2020. Return flight from Bristol, Hotel Grace, 23kg Luggage Allowance, Breakfast and Dinner, Local Guide, Full Religious Programme & 100% Financial Protection at £569. Full details on Parish Notice Board. Interested persons should please contact Jen Smith at Maesteg on 07866228930/01639896828 and Anne Raynolds at Aberkenfig on 07845477960.

MESSAGE FOR PARISHIONERS OF BOTH PARISHES WHO PAY GIFT AID/COLLECTIONS BY STANDING ORDER/DIRECT DEBITS TO THE PARISHES’ BANK ACCOUNTS: Please will you contact and advise your Bank of new sort code (20-18-23) for your standing order/direct debit you pay to the Accounts of Our Lady & St Patrick or St Robert Parish. *Thank you.* The Parish Secretary has written to Parishioners confirming advice from the Archdiocese.

PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST PATRICK MAESTEG

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION: Every Thursday at 4pm at the Presbytery Hall. Let us continue to pray for the children and their families.

PARISH COLLECTIONS 2nd FEBRUARY 2020: Gift Aid £430.50, Planned/Loose £199.30, Levy £161.10, Restoration £50.00, Winchester Trip donation £412. *Thanks for your support and giving.*

300 PLUS CLUB 2020: The team are available today for you to collect your membership cards. Fees. £12 per annum, can be paid quarterly, half yearly or in full. Thanks to all members for their continued support. **PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER. ENCOURAGE FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO JOIN.**

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TEA/COFFEE: next Sunday after Mass in Sacristy. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

COLLECTIONS: 2nd February 2020: Gift Aid £150.00, Loose £97.03.

100 PLUS CLUB 2020: Subscriptions now being taken; envelopes at back of Church. If you are not a member and would like to join, please speak to Bill Ennis.

100 PLUS WINNERS JANUARY 2020: 1st £40 Mrs J Ennis (172), 2nd £10 Mrs C. Lowe (72), 3rd £10 Mrs D Day (87).

FOODBANK: donations of cereals, small tea & coffee, rice, pasta, soup, tin veg, corned beef, tuna, tooth paste & toiletries would be appreciated.