

NOTICES CONTINUED.....

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Hall Bookings - Tom Brookman (Hirwaun)	01685 814513
Prince Charles Hospital - Fr James Norris OSB	01685 722672
Cynon Valley Hospital, Mt Ash - Fr Silvio Briffa	01443 473710
Parish Gift Aid Envelopes - Mary Lloyd	01443 474025
Piety Stalls - Susan Rossi	01685 884449
Red Mission Boxes (APF) - Anna Murphy	01685 811792

Sacraments:-

Baptism - Margaret Davies	01685 878769
1st Holy Communion - Rebecca Moore	07817 745495
Confirmation - Margaret Davies & Marian Payne C/o	01685 878769

Local Catholic Secondary Schools:

Cardinal Newman School - Mr Justin O'Sullivan	01443 494110
Bishop Hedley School - Mrs Maureen Harris	01685 721747

COLLECTIONS 17-8-2014 Many Thanks!!

Gift Aid	£388.50
Loose Mt Ash	£184.00
Loose Hirwaun	£85.07
Loose Aberdare	£67.93
200 Club	£117.00
Piety	£63.00
Candles	£11.51
Newspapers	£7.50
Attendance:	
Mt Ash	77
Hirwaun	70
Aberdare	72

The Parish of Mary Immaculate

Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Therese & St. Joseph's

24th August 2014 – 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

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Lamp Intentions - Week Beginning 23rd August 2014

Mountain Ash	Hirwaun
Sacred Heart -	Sacred Heart - Private Int. (MB) In Thanksgiving (DG)
Our Lady - Private Intention (AC)	Our Lady - In Memory - Kathleen Read (UM)
St. Joseph -	St. Joseph -
St. Therese -	St. Therese - In Memory of Paula (SF)
St. Philomena - Ceri Morgan (TM)	St Anthony - Private Int. (DG)
St. Anthony - In Thanksgiving (KO'L)	

200 Club Winners 16-8-2014

1st	Colin Davies	H	99
2nd	Maria Murphy	MA	163
3rd	Meg Cotter	MA	196

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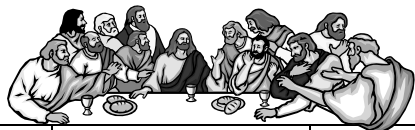


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JEREMIAH
PETER
CHRIST
JONAH
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GOODBYE!!

"It has now been 8 years since my Dad and I moved into the Presbytery in Mountain Ash and over the years we have both been very privileged to join with you, in sad and happy events, but now it is time for us to move on. Whilst obviously we are both sad to leave we both knew we would not be here forever! So on behalf of us both I would like to offer you are heart-felt thanks for allowing us to be able to have been part of your lives during these years. We ask that you would kindly remember us in your prayers as we will remember you. Personally (Fr Mark) I am so pleased to be leaving a parish after all these years in which I have tried my best, given my human limitations to try and enhance each Church for the greater glory of God, his Blessed Mother and all the Saints. I am so pleased that as Dad and I leave you that we leave knowing that there will be a Priest to replace me in this beautiful part of South Wales and that all Churches remain open!! We are both grateful and thank you to all those who have given us cards or sent in gifts as they show us your kind appreciation for our time spent among you. As I go my hope and prayer as that you will support your Churches and try to be more involved in the life of them - they are part of your, our history now and the legacy of the Catholic faith in this area. Finally Dad and I would like to wish Fr Silvio Briffa all the very best as he takes up his ministry amongst you - may he have such a wonderful grace-filled time as we had."

Fr Mark & Doug.




Date	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 23rd August Our Lady Vigil	10.00am Mt Ash 5.30pm Mt Ash	Mass Holy Souls Mass Catherine & Cornelius Mahony (KO'L)
Sunday 24th August 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am Hirwaun 11.00am Aberdare	Mass Martin Madden (MW) Mass Missa Pro Populo
Monday 25th August Bank Holiday		Fr Silvio moves in.
Tuesday 26th August	9.30 Mt Ash	Mass Maureen Boyle (JB)
Wednesday 27th August St Monica	9.30 Mt Ash	Mass Maureen Boyle (AD)
Thursday 28th August St Augustine, Bishop	9.30 Mt Ash	Mass Maureen Boyle (B&ET)
Friday 29th August The Passion of St John the Baptist	9.30 Mt Ash	Mass Maureen Boyle (Nora)
Saturday 30th August Our Lady Vigil	9.30 Mt Ash 5.30pm Mt Ash	Mass Holy Souls Mass Terry Lloyd Webb (D&RC)
Sunday 31st August 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am Hirwaun 11.00am Aberdare	Mass Missa Pro Populo Mass Thomas Byrne (JB)

Response to the Psalm:
Your love O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled.

Sacrament of Reconciliation next weekend:

Fr Silvio will announce new times shortly!



“Called to be One!”

You are cordially invited to a day of prayer with an invitation to explore and find out more about the life and Mission of the Ordinariate in the Catholic Church. The day will begin at 2pm on Saturday 6th September 2014 at St Joseph’s Catholic Church, New Zealand Road, Cardiff with Fr Bernard Sixtus. After Mass refreshments, a discussion and presentation will take place on the Apostolic Constitution, *Anglicanorum Coetibus*.....calling Anglicans into Full Communion with the See of Peter. All are welcome!

Pilgrimage to the Grave of St. John Kemble

This year’s pilgrimage to the grave of St. John Kemble will take place on Sunday 24th August, starting at 10.00am. Pilgrims will walk to Welsh Newton from St. Mary’s Church, Monmouth after the 9.00am Mass. Everybody is welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. There will be Rosary, readings and prayers at the grave of St. John Kemble in the church yard at Welsh Newton.

The Sisters of Nazareth, Cardiff.

The Sisters would like to invite any women who may be thinking about the possibility of becoming a Nun within their order to join them for a day of discernment on a “Come and See” weekend (17th - 19th October 2014). The weekend will take place at Nazareth House, Colum Road, Cardiff. Please see poster at the back of each Church.

Fr Silvio Briffa.

At the specific request of Fr Silvio I have put on the newsletter this week the Masses he will say. Please note they are in Our Lady of Lourdes each day at 9.30am. This is only until he settles in and he will then re-arrange the Masses in the various places as he sees fit.

Thank You!

A huge thank you to all those who perform various duties within the Church and who help on a regular basis: Church cleaners, Flower arrangers, Altar Servers, Extra-Ordinary ministers of the Eucharist, Money Counters, Readers, Musicians, Sacristans, Money Collectors - in fact anyone who does or who has done anything over the past 7/8 years to assist Fr Mark or his Father - they both thank you very much indeed!



Forthcoming Weddings.

Saturday 6th September - Miss Kerry Thomas & Mr Phillip Jewell at Our Lady of Lourdes - 11.30am.

Pilgrimage in Honour of St. David Lewis

On Sunday 31st August, the annual pilgrimage will take place in honour of St. David Lewis SJ, the ‘Father of the Poor.’ This year marks the 335th anniversary of his martyrdom. There will be Mass at 3.00pm at Saints Francis Xavier and David Lewis Church, Port-y-Carne Street, Usk, NP15 1RZ. This will be followed by a procession to the martyr’s grave. Light refreshments will be served. For more information see the poster at the back of each church.

Catholic Youth 2000

This year the largest annual catholic youth event in the UK, the Youth 2000 Walsingham prayer festival celebrates its 25th year. From the 21st – 25th August, over a thousand young Catholics will gather to hear renowned speakers, experience worship, socialize and share faith. This event is aimed at 16-30yr olds and families are welcome. There will be a coach running from Cardiff and Newport to the event, if you are interested please contact us at: youth200wales2walsingham@gmail.com or for more info please go to youth2000.org.

Coffee Morning.

A Coffee/Tea Morning will be held this weekend after Mass in the meeting rooms at St Joseph’s, Aberdare to bid a fond farewell to Fr Mark. Please do come and join us, you are most welcome!!

Congratulations!

Many congratulations to Tom Pritchard, one of our Altar Servers from Hirwaun who before term ended in Bishop Hedley has been elected ‘Head Boy!’ Well done Tom and we wish you well as you take up your new post in September.