

## Mass Times & Intentions

<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>		Vigil Mass 6.00pm	<i>Margaret Regan</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Squires' Intention</i>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>24th</b>	9.15am	<i>Private Intention</i>	Monmouth
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>25th</b>	7.00pm	<b>St. James – Apostle</b> <i>Special Intention</i>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>26th</b>	9.15am	<b>Saints Joachim and Anne</b> <i>Sheila O'Neill</i>	Monmouth
		6.30pm	<b>Rosary</b>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>27th</b>	10.00am	<i>Norman and Catherine Attwood</i>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>28th</b>	9.15am	<i>Margaret Regan</i>	Monmouth
<b>Saturday morning Mass at Usk prison (St Martha)</b>				
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> Monmouth: Saturday: <b>5.15pm-5.45pm</b> Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday: <b>6.15pm-6.45pm</b>				
<b>Sunday 30th July 17th Sunday</b>		Vigil Mass 6.00pm	<i>Neil Cawthorne</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Ruth Harris</i>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Sunday evening Mass is celebrated regularly at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Hereford at 6.30pm. 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR</b>				
Editors: Janet & Stephen Baker - <a href="mailto:stfrances.editor@gmail.com">stfrances.editor@gmail.com</a> Please send items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening				
If you wish to book the Parish Room for an event please contact Ann McKnight <a href="mailto:upperkern@gmail.com">upperkern@gmail.com</a>				

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## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2017

Reading the Scriptures also makes it clear that the Gospel is not merely about our personal relationship with God. Nor should our loving response to God merely be seen as an accumulation of small personal gestures to individuals in need, a kind of “charity à la carte”, or a series of acts aimed solely at easing our conscience. The Gospel is about the Kingdom of God (cf. *Lk* 4:43); it is about loving God who reigns in our world. To the extent that he reigns within us, the life of society will be a setting for universal fraternity, justice, peace and dignity. Both Christian preaching and life, then, are meant to have an impact on society. We are seeking God’s kingdom: “Seek first God’s kingdom and his righteousness, and all things will be given to you as well” (*Mt* 6:33). Jesus’s mission is to inaugurate the kingdom of his Father; he commands his disciples to proclaim the good news that “the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (*Mt* 10:7).

*Pope Francis*

Evangelii Gaudium

## HYMNS

821

604

662

721

### Offertory Totals Sunday 16th July 2017

Envelopes	Loose Plate	Other	Sea Sunday	Rents	Total
250.23	97.86	67.31	20.00	43.26	<b>£478.66</b>

**Sick parishioners:** Please remember in your prayers: Rita Katrak, Ivan Merritt, Charles Lumb, Claire Niven, Paul Bennett, Fr. Anthony, Bridgit Frankland, Eileen & Roger Crosby, Joyce Wight, Margaret Collinson, Neil Hillyer, Kathy O'Connor, Mary McCrory, Fausta Scarand, Janet and Andrew Baily, Margarete Denton.

**We remember those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** *Teresa Houghton, John Cugley, Annie Law, Mary Webb, Kathleen Eacock, Edward Fleming.*

*R.I.P. Please pray for the happy repose of the*

*soul of Rebecca Laird, and for her husband and children that they will be comforted.*

**100 Club – Year 3:** subscriptions are now due. Your £12 contribution is a simple way of supporting parish costs and enters you into a draw which takes place four times a year, with prizes of a £100 or £25 each time. The first draw will take place in October. Thank you for your continued support. Further envelopes are available from Aidan Browne.

**CAFOD – Power to Be campaign** - thank you to everyone who signed the campaign action cards which are being sent to the UK's representative at the World Bank. If you didn't have the opportunity last week, please pick up a card today and leave them in basket provided, or post via Freepost, or sign online: <https://e-activist.com/page/7676/petition/1>

**Church Cleaning:** this coming Thursday after morning Mass. If you can spare an hour to help it would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

**Herefordshire Catholic History Society** meeting will take place this coming Thursday 27th July Belmont Abbey at 2.30 pm. There will be a talk on the History of Longworth Chapel and Bartestree Convent. All welcome. Further information [bmwarde@aol.com](mailto:bmwarde@aol.com).

**Annual Pilgrimage to the Grave of St. John Kemble:** This year's Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 20th August 2017. As usual Pilgrims will set off to walk to Welsh Newton after the 9.15am Mass at Monmouth.

**Welcome to visitors:** we extend a very warm welcome to you and hope you enjoy your time in Ross and the surrounding area. Please join us for tea or coffee in the parish room, at the rear of the church, after Mass.



**The Padre Pio Prayer Group is organising a Day of Reflection based on the theme: *Living our Faith in the Modern World.***

This will take place at **Belmont Abbey - 10.00am to 4.00pm, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017.** If you are interested, please sign the sheet at the back of church or email: **Neil Wareing** [n.f.w@btconnect.com](mailto:n.f.w@btconnect.com) or **Honor Houghton** [honor.houghton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:honor.houghton@hotmail.co.uk)

**Sung Vespers: Tintern Abbey** - There will be an ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer on Sunday 3rd September 2017 at 3:00pm.

**Harvington Hall:** Parish Outing, Saturday 23rd September 2017: bookings are coming in for this trip, so if you are thinking of coming, please fill in a form and return with payment as soon as possible - to Lynne D or Janet B, via the offertory collection or the parish letter box by the door to the parish room. Booking forms and full information are at the back of the church. *There are up to 10 free places available for children aged 16 and under, so come and bring the family.* [www.harvingtonhall.com](http://www.harvingtonhall.com)

**LIVESIMPLY** – no meeting in August. Next meeting is Thursday 14th September, 7pm in Monmouth. All welcome. LiveSimply ideas for the next few weeks: 14 July – 6 August – The Big Butterfly Count: <http://www.bigbutterflycount.org/>  
24th-30th July National Parks Week: <http://www.nationalparks.gov.uk/>  
and British Dragonflies: <http://www.dragonfly-days.co.uk/>

Rotas	Readers	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Tea & Coffee
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017</b>	Catherine Williams	Mike, Christine, Claire	Mike & Christine
<b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b>	Mike & Christine	Jon, Lindsay, Maureen	Bernadette

**Study Day - Recusancy in Abergavenny and the Marches.** Saturday 14th October, St Michael's Centre, Abergavenny. Following the recent acquisition of the Gunter Mansion by the Welsh Georgian Trust, the study day will explore how covert activity carried out by Catholics persisted in Abergavenny and the Marches in the years after the Reformation and in particular how the Gunter family provided a secret meeting place for Catholics in Abergavenny.