

## Mass Times & Intentions

<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October</b> <b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		Vigil Mass 6.00pm	<i>Noreen Grist &amp; Mona Shaw</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Moira Sands</i>	Ross-on-Wye
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2nd</b>	9.15am	<b>Holy Guardian Angels</b> <i>Private Intention</i>	Monmouth
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>3rd</b>	7.00pm	<i>Ruth Harris</i>	Ross-on-Wye
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>4th</b>	*11.00am	<b>St Francis of Assisi</b> <i>Dorothy Evans (Requiem)</i>	Monmouth
		6.30pm	<b>Rosary</b>	Ross-on-Wye
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5th</b>	10.00am	<i>Ellen Van Der Knaap</i>	Ross-on-Wye
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6th</b>	9.15am	<i>Fr Bill Boxall</i>	Monmouth
<p><b>*please note change of time</b>  <b>Our Lady of the Rosary</b>            Saturday morning Mass at Usk Prison</p>				
<p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>            Monmouth: Saturday: 5.15pm-5.45pm            Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday: 6.15pm-6.45pm</p>				
<b>Sunday 8th October.</b> <b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		Vigil Mass 6.00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>Sheila O'Neill</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Giselle Collins (Welfare)</i>	Ross-on-Wye
<p><b>Sunday evening Mass is celebrated regularly at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Hereford at 6.30pm.</b> 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR</p>				
<p><b>Editors: Janet &amp; Stephen Baker - <a href="mailto:stfrances.editor@gmail.com">stfrances.editor@gmail.com</a></b>  <i>Please send items for the Ross newsletter by 12 noon Thursday</i>  <i>or items for the Monmouth newsletter: <a href="mailto:stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com">stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com</a> by 12 noon Thursday</i></p>				
<p><b>If you wish to book the Parish Room for an event</b>            please contact Ann McKnight <a href="mailto:upperkern@gmail.com">upperkern@gmail.com</a></p>				

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**1<sup>st</sup> October 2017**

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We could also say that forgiveness is participation in the pain of transition from the drug of sin to the truth of love. It is preceding and accompanying someone on this path of death and rebirth. Only preceding and accompanying addicts in this way (for sin is always a "drug," the lie of false happiness) can enable them to let themselves be led through the dark journey of suffering. It is only by going ahead to enter into the suffering and into the death involved in the way of transformation that makes this journey bearable, because it is only in this way that in the dark night of the narrow way the light of hope in new life becomes visible.

The reverse is true: only love gives the power to forgive, that is, to accompany the other on the road of the suffering that transforms. It is only this that makes it possible to accept and to endure with and on behalf of the other the death of the lie. It is only this that enables one to remain a bearer of the light in the pitch-black and seemingly endless tunnel and to make noticeable the fresh air of the promise that leads to rebirth.

*Joseph Ratzinger*

(Pope Benedict XVI)

## HYMNS

908

846

662

762

v. 1-3, 7

### Offertory Totals 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017

Envelopes	Loose Plate	Other	Total
£197.20	£111.95	£31.32	£340.47

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

**We remember those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** *Ellen Whitehead; Angelo*

*Marchetto; Connal Fitzpatrick; Francis Bullimore; Iain Tweeddale; Henry Law; Helen Archer.*

**Macmillan Coffee Mornings Result:** A Huge THANK YOU to everyone who supported the coffee mornings last week. A total of £300 was achieved. We know it will be greatly appreciated by the Macmillan Cancer Support Charity.

**Padre Pio prayer group:** today, in the Parish Room at 4.45pm. Everyone is welcome.

**CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** is **NEXT** Friday 6 October 2017. This Harvest Fast Day, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds. Using the attached Fast Day envelope, will help lift some of the world's poorest people out of poverty.

**Prisoners' Sunday** – Next Sunday is a day of Prayer for Prisoners and their dependants. See [www.prisonadvice.org.uk](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk)

**Society of Saint Vincent de Paul:** will be celebrating 400 years of the Charism of St Vincent de Paul at a special Mass in Cardiff on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 12.00noon.

**SVP:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, after evening Mass – in the home of Maureen R-T. This will be the group's 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary meeting.

**Study Day - Recusancy in Abergavenny and the Marches.** Saturday 14th October, St Michael's Centre, Abergavenny.

Rotas	Readers	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Tea & Coffee
<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017</b>	Tina Evans	Jon, Lindsay, Maureen	Josie E.
<b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b>	Jan Wheeler	Honor; Aidan; Lynne	Katherine U.

### Proclaim '17 – Archdiocese of Cardiff Evangelisation Conference

Saturday 21st October, St David's College, Cardiff.

Keynote address from Archbishop Bernard Longley of Birmingham.

*For more information and to book, please go to:*

[www.tinyurl.com/cardiffproclaim](http://www.tinyurl.com/cardiffproclaim)

### English Lessons for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL):

Popraw swój angielski! (Polish)

Pagerink savo anglu kalbos zinias (Lithuanian)

Imbunatateste-ti Engleza (Romanian)

Fejleszd az angol nyelvtudasod (Hungarian)

Подобрете английския си (Bulgarian)

Покращити свій англійський (Ukrainian)

Small, friendly classes, Mondays 7.00pm - 8.30pm, here at St Frances.

**Contact:** Stephen Baker - [stephen@clarionenglish.co.uk](mailto:stephen@clarionenglish.co.uk)

**'LETTING GO'** - Silent weekend retreat at Llangasty House, Brecon, Powys from Friday 27th to Sunday 29th October. World Community for Christian Meditation. Please contact Barbara Jones for further information. [bar\\_demi@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bar_demi@hotmail.co.uk) .

**Lost property:** there was a large amount of lost property at the back of the church, which is now displayed in the porch. It includes 6 umbrellas, 2 hats and a jacket! Please have a look and claim anything which is yours. Items remaining after Mass on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October will be disposed of.