

Mass Times & Intentions			
HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH 30 th December 2018	Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Wilfred & Lucy Richards Roy Munday & Roger Adamson</i>	Monmouth
	9.15 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
	11.00 am	<i>Cec Roberts</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	31 st	<i>Mass with Archbishop Stack</i>	Usk Prison
JANUARY 2019			
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Tuesday 1 st January	*10.00am	<i>Rev Jim McKnight Mary the Mother of God</i>	Monmouth
	*12.00NOON	<i>Fitzpatrick family</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday 2 nd January 2019	9.15am	<i>Roy Munday SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen</i>	Monmouth
	6.30pm	<i>Rosary</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Thursday	3 rd	*10.30am	<i>Funeral service-Eileen Crosbie</i> Forest of Dean Crematorium
Friday	4 th	9.15am	<i>Maureen & Bernard Murphy</i> Monmouth
*PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIMES Saturday morning Mass at Usk Prison			
SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6 th January 2019	Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Margaret Demidecki</i>	Monmouth
	9.15 am	<i>Michael & Martina Walsh</i>	Monmouth
	11.00 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Contributions to the newsletter by 12 noon Thursday please to: Tish at St Frances of Rome, Ross-on-Wye, stfrances.editor@gmail.com and Therese at St Mary's stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com			
If you wish to book the Parish Room for an event Please contact Ann McKnight upperkern@gmail.com			
Sunday evening Mass is celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Hereford at 6.30pm. 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR			
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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 30th December 2018

Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Its daily life had its share of burdens and even nightmares, as when they met with Herod's implacable violence. This last was an experience that, sad to say, continues to afflict the many refugee families who in our day feel rejected and helpless. Like the Magi, our families are invited to contemplate the Child and his Mother, to bow down and worship him. Like Mary, they are asked to face their family's challenges with courage and serenity, in good times and bad, and to keep in their heart the great things which God has done. The treasury of Mary's heart also contains the experiences of every family, which she cherishes. For this reason, she can help us understand the meaning of these experiences and to hear the message God wishes to communicate through the life of our families.

Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)

Teas & Coffees

are served every Sunday after Mass in the parish room.
Newcomers & visitors are most welcome to come and join us.
Szívesen látunkgyere és csatlakozz hozzánk.
Sunteți bineveniți să fiți alături de noi. Witamy wszyscy.



HYMNS	
152	
141	
145	
130	

Offertory 23 rd December 2018	
Envelopes	£ 120.00
Loose plate	£ 133.71
Other	£ 9.80
Total	£ 263.51

Sick Parishioners: Please remember in your prayers: Rita Katrak, Ivan Merritt, Claire Niven, Paul Bennett, Bridgit Frankland, Eileen & Roger Crosby, Fausta Scarand, Janet and Andrew Baily, Margarete Denton, Eithne Holcom, Pat Fennessy, Ruth Smith and Honor Houghton.

Anniversaries: John Farrell, Glen McGregor, Muriel Ramsdin, Agnes Baynham, Barbara Clarke, Teresa Johnson, Peter Wright.

CHURCH CLEANING will take place after the 10.00am Mass this Thursday 27th December in Ross. Many hands make light work. Thank you to the team that decorated our church so beautifully for Christmas.



During Christmastide we are asked to pray for: Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers.

HAPPY NEW YEAR & Best wishes to all.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: EILEEN CROSBY who died recently. Please pray for the repose of her soul. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

Rotas	Readers	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Tea & Coffee
The Holy Family 30th December	Robin & Anne	Jon & Lindsay, Erica	Bernadette
Epiphany 6th January 2019	Tina Evans	Maureen, Lynne, Claire	Lynne

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May the coming year bring us a new awareness of God's grace, transforming our lives and bringing us new possibilities of growth.

