

<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> <b>18<sup>th</sup> August 2019</b> Cycle C Page 124	<b>Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm</b>	<i>Jadwiga Umieszczyk</i>	Monmouth
	<b>9.15 am</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b><i>Mary Sellar's recovery</i></b>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	<i>Machin family</i> Monmouth
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<i>Service of the Word &amp; Eucharist</i> <b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>21<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<i>Service of the Word &amp; Eucharist</i> Monmouth
		<b>6.30 pm</b>	<b><i>Rosary</i></b> <b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>22<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<i>Service of the Word &amp; Eucharist</i> <b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>23<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<i>Service of the Word &amp; Eucharist</i> Monmouth
Saturday Mass at Usk Prison			
<b>21<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> <b>25<sup>th</sup> August 2019</b>	<b>Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm</b>	<i>Barge family intention</i>	Monmouth
	<b>9.15 am</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
	<b>11.00 am</b>	<b><i>Noreen Grist</i></b>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>
<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:</b> <b>Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday from 6.15-6.45 pm</b> and Monmouth: Saturday from 5.15-5.45 pm			
Contributions to the newsletter by 12 noon Thursday please to: Tish at <b>St Frances of Rome, Ross-on-Wye, <a href="mailto:stfrances.editor@gmail.com">stfrances.editor@gmail.com</a></b> and Therese at St Mary's <a href="mailto:stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com">stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com</a>			
PARISH ROOM HIRE: 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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## 20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

Every year we come back, each for his own reasons, all probably for reasons rather like those of the dead whose graves cluster around the tomb of our Martyr. If you go beneath St Peter's in Rome, you will see how the early Christians cluster around the tomb of St Peter. They are even buried one above another to be as close as possible to the Martyr. They knew that, when the Resurrection comes, here was one that Christ would welcome into his Kingdom, and they hoped that they might slip in too, hanging onto his coat tails...

The Saints make us familiar; they bring us into the family of Christ. They do more: they give life to the Body of Christ, and concrete substance to His promise "I shall be with you always". Each of us here has learnt to know and love Christ through someone we know and respect, a member of our family most like, who makes him familiar. And if nothing else, John Kemble is a Familiar Saint. I imagine he was very much part of the families of the local men and women who grew up with him around here. He was their contact with the faith, with the Church. He embodied for them, gave a human face to, if you like, God's love for them. He made that love of God present for them in the Body of Christ in the Mass, and he embodied it in their own homes when he visited them. For this rural community he embodied the familiar figure of the Good Shepherd. And he also gave his life for his flock... In the few months between capture and death, he won the hearts of the family of his captor, John Scudamore. Still undisturbed, he showed the sincerity of his friendship by that famous last pipe and pint with the undersheriff who came to lead him to the scaffold. Finally, he cheered up and encouraged his hangman: "Honest Anthony, do not be afraid, do thy office. I forgive thee with all my heart. Thou will do me a greater kindness than discourtesy". For he helped him to share completely, in his body, the sacrifice and death of Christ. That was the Sacrifice St John Kemble celebrated sacramentally each day in the Mass, by which he lived, for which he died.

...from a sermon delivered at one of the St John Kemble Pilgrimages

**HYMNS**

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Last Week's Offertory 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	
Envelopes	£ 71.00
Loose plate	£ 129.32
Open Day	£ 65.00
Other	£ 19.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 284.35</b>

**Sick Parishioners:** Please remember in your prayers: *Ivan Merritt, Claire Niven, Paul Bennett, Bridgit Frankland, Roger Crosby, Janet and Andrew Baily, Eithne Holcom, Pat Fennessy, Ruth Smith, Honor Houghton, Kathy O'Connor and Geraldine O'Shea.*

**Anniversaries:** *Bridget Geen, Sean Preston, Joan Fleming, Luigi Janetta, Mary Drinkwater, Thomas Flay, Ann Champion, Linda Morgan, Joan Sykes, Gwyneth Wise, Maureen Rickerby and Winifred Burns.*

Father Nick will be away from Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> for two weeks. Should you need a Priest, please contact the parish office in the usual way.

**CHANGE OF PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS**

In 2018 Data Protection Laws changed with the introduction of GDPR. As an organisation the Diocese is now under a legal obligation to ensure data relating to any person(s) is transmitted in a secure way. As a result, the parish email address is now [monmouth@rcadc.org](mailto:monmouth@rcadc.org)

**TEA & COFFEE** is 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 waszystki.



Please join us in the Parish Room after Mass today to wish Father Nick

*Happy Birthday!*

**BAPTISM OF ALFRED GEORGE** – We welcome Alfred, his friends and family who will be celebrating his Baptism with us today. Congratulations.

**BILL ROWAN RIP** - Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**TODAY - ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE GRAVE OF SAINT JOHN KEMBLE TODAY**

This year the Pilgrimage takes place **TODAY Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** commencing at 10.15am from Monmouth to Welsh Newton.

*O trusty shepherd John,  
whose maimed and lifeless hand  
Draws blessing yet upon  
Your loved and faithless land.  
Through you we praise  
The Lord, for whom  
you met your doom in hate-marred days.*



**REFRESHMENTS** will be served as usual after the Pilgrimage and Benediction in the parish garden.

DATE	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	TEA & COFFEE
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019</b>	Jan Wheeler	Maureen, Lynne, Claire	Agnes & Erika
<b>21<sup>th</sup> Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2019</b>	Tina Evans	Mike & Christine, Joan	Mike & Christine

**PARISH REGISTRATION FORMS** - If you still have to complete one, we would be grateful if you could fill one in. Forms are available at the back of the church, or on the table outside the parish office. Thank you.

**SUNDAY EVENING MASS** is celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Hereford at 6.30pm. Address: 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR.

**GARDENER NEEDED** by a parishioner. Should you be able to assist, please contact Ms Whyte, thank you.

**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY** is a safe, happy and thriving academic environment for children aged 2 -11 years old. We provide an enriching, inclusive learning experience, with a challenging curriculum and a varied calendar of events. We also offer wraparound care from 8:00am to 5:45pm Monday - Friday. *We warmly invite you to come and see how our school inspires children to learn within a culture of kindness.*