

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>James Richards</i>	Monmouth
17th November		9.15 am	<i>People of the parish</i>	Monmouth
Cycle C Page 164		11.00am	<i>Jones family deceased relatives</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	18th	9.15 am	<i>Patrick James Walsh</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	19th	7.00pm	<i>Nina Lucas</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	20th	9.15am	<i>Jadwiga Umieszczyk</i>	Monmouth
		6.00pm	<i>Rosary</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Thursday	21st	10.00am	<i>Holy Souls</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	22nd	9.15am	<i>Terry Tregaskis</i> <i>St Ceclia</i>	Monmouth
<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i> Saturday Mass at Usk Prison				
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday from 6.15-6.45 pm; Monmouth: Saturday from 5.15-5.45 pm				
<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Peggy & John Dunne</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>Brady family deceased relatives</i>	Monmouth
24th November		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				
PARISH ROOM HIRE: If you wish to book the Parish Room for an event please contact Ann McKnight: upperkern@gmail.com				
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33rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 17th November 2019

World Day of the Poor

We can never elude the urgent appeal that Scripture makes on behalf of the poor. Wherever we look, the word of God points to the poor, those who lack the necessities of life because they depend on others. They are the oppressed, the lowly and the downcast. Yet, faced with countless throngs of the poor, Jesus was not afraid to identify with each of them: "Whatever you did to one of the least of these my brethren, you did to me" Mt 25:40). If we refuse to make this identification, we falsify the Gospel and water down God's revelation. The God that Jesus came to reveal is a Father who is generous, merciful, unflinching in his goodness and grace. He gives hope especially to those who are disillusioned and lacking in hope for the future....

If the disciples of the Lord Jesus wish to be genuine evangelizers, they must sow tangible seeds of hope. I ask all Christian communities, and all those who feel impelled to offer hope and consolation to the poor, to help ensure that this **World Day of the Poor** will encourage more and more people to cooperate effectively so that no one will feel deprived of closeness and solidarity. May you always treasure the words of the prophet who proclaims a different future: "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings" (Mal 3:20 4:2).

Pope Francis

TEA & COFFEE is served every Sunday after mass in the parish room. Newcomers & visitors are most welcome to come and join us. Szivesen látunkgyere és csatlakozz hozzánk. Sunteți bineveniți să fiți alături de noi. Watamy wszstki.



HYMNS

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Last Week's Offertory 10th November

Envelopes	£	97.00
Loose plate	£	103.42
Other	£	19.33
Total	£	219.75

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: *Helen Humphreys, Peter Wedd, Charles Lumb, Kenneth Milne, Phyllis Edwards, Amy Simmons, Audrey Lodge, John Barnett*



TODAY IS THE THIRD WORLD DAY OF THE POOR.

In his [message](#) Pope Francis reminds us that “the poor are not numbers but people”, to be assisted, accompanied, protected, defended and saved. Click on the link to read the full message from the Holy Father.

The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever 2019

'YEAR OF THE GOD WHO SPEAKS' Fleur Dorrell from the Bishops' Conference will be coming to Cardiff to speak about the 'Year of the God Who Speaks', to the Laity. This has been postponed (because of bereavement).

WALL PAINTING CONSERVATION IN ETHIOPIA. Lisa Shekede will give a talk, organised by the Art Fund at the Shire Hall, Monmouth on Nov 27th at 2.30 pm.

DATE	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	TEA & COFFEE
33rd Sunday 17th November	Marion Contreras	Jon & Lindsay, Joan	Katherine U
Christ The King 24th November	Jon & Lindsay	Maureen, Aidan, Claire	Pat & Kath

A JOURNEY WITH ST PAUL: Wednesday 20th November at 10.00am in Monmouth. Getting to know the story of our faith. **Please bring a Bible!** All welcome.

DATE FOR THE DIARY: Please come and join us for An Advent Journey by Candlelight in Words and Music on **Friday 13th December** at 7 p.m. Refreshments in the Parish Room afterwards.

CHURCH CLEANING: there will be no cleaning in November but we hope to have a Big Clean in December in preparation for Christmas. There is a sign up sheet on the organ with a list of 12 areas in the church that need cleaning. Please be generous in signing for one of these to help out the very small cleaning team and join us at 10.30am after Mass on Thursday 19th December. If this is not convenient then at any time you are able to access the church. Thank you.

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL will take place next Sunday 24th November 2019.

100 CLUB SUBS DUE NOW FOR THIS YEAR'S DRAWS. The format is the same as previous years, £12 per number, for 4 draws. **Complete the envelope details** and return the envelope with your offertory any Sunday.

LIGHT UP A LIFE -1ST DECEMBER 6.30PM

Thousands of people come together during each Advent season to remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones.

THIS YEAR'S ROSS ON WYE SERVICE WILL BE

HELD HERE AT ST FRANCES OF ROME on SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER AT 6.30PM.

Please do come if you can and invite friends and neighbours too.

Bernadette is very kindly organising the refreshments for after the service and all contributions will be gratefully received.

For details of other events around the county go to

<https://www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/event-type/light-up-a-life>

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: The parish needs more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please speak to Father Nick.

1ST COMMUNIONS 2020 – Parents/Guardians of children who will be eligible to make their First Holy Communion next year, please contact Fr Nick.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY is offered during Mass every Sunday in term time. All children welcome. Witamy wszystkie dzieci. Mindenkeretettel várunk. Toți sunteți bineveniți.