

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2020  Cycle A Page 114/115		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>Derek Neale</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Geraldine O'Shea</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	<i>Maureen &amp; Bernard Murphy</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	<i>Peggy Rein &amp; Rose Coyle</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	<i>Teresa &amp; Benjamin Rees</i>	Monmouth
		6.30pm	<i>Rosary</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	<i>Ruth Smith (welfare)</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	<i>Private intention</i>	Monmouth
<b>Saturday Mass at Usk Prison</b>				
<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION</b> Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday from 6.15-6.45 pm and Monmouth: Saturday from 5.15-5.45 pm				
Feast of the Baptism of The Lord 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2020		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Dorothy Evans</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00 am	<i>Mary Sellar's recovery</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Contributions to the newsletter by 12 noon Thursday please to: Tish at St Frances of Rome, Ross-on-Wye, <a href="mailto:stfrances.editor@gmail.com">stfrances.editor@gmail.com</a> and Therese at St Mary's <a href="mailto:stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com">stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com</a>				
<b>PARISH ROOM HIRE:</b> 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>				
<b>SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES:</b> Jon & Lindsay Wise Tel: 01989 764224				
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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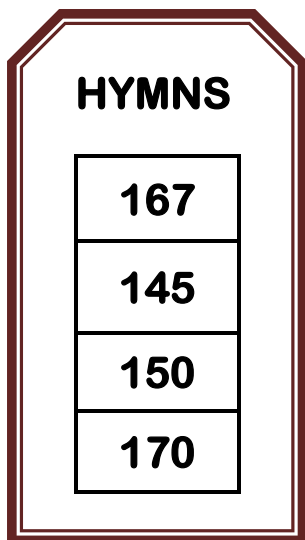
## SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020

The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of him as Son of God and Saviour of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighbouring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Saviour of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving from them the messiahs promise as contained in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that 'the full number of the nations' now takes its place in the family of the patriarchs', and acquires *Israelitica dignitas* (is made 'worthy of the heritage of Israel').

### 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 wszystkim





Last Week's Offertory	
Envelopes	£ 58.00
Loose plate	£ 219.51
Other	£ 78.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 351.44</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 and Kathy O'Connor.*

**Anniversaries:** *Mabel Ley, Eleanor Wilson, John Abbott, Jan Zawadzki, Albert Hancox, Patrick Connor, James Farrell, Freda Maguire and Aileen Ray.*

**PADRE PIO GROUP** meets **this** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 4.45pm in the Parish Room. We pray especially for the parish, the sick and the lonely, the housebound, deceased members of our community and their families, followed by the Rosary in the church. Please come and join us. All welcome.

**A JOURNEY WITH ST PAUL** resumes on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> January at 10.00am in Monmouth. Getting to know the story of our faith. **Please bring a Bible!** All welcome

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

**PADRE PIO DAY OF REFLECTION** - Following the postponement of the Padre Pio 'Day of Reflection' originally planned for September, it is good to be able to report that Fr Alastair's health has greatly improved. Therefore, a provisional date has now been set for 2nd May 2020. More details will be given nearer to the date or can be obtained from Neil Wareing.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** is offered during Mass every Sunday in term time. All children welcome. *Witamy wszystkie dzieci. Mindenkit szeretettel várunk. Toj sunteji bineveniji.*



**ROSS READING CIRCLE** will meet the second Monday of the month at 2.00pm in the parish centre. New members welcome. To find out more please contact Erica Philp at Sunday mass or phone 01989 563463.

DATE	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	TEA & COFFEE
Epiphany of The Lord 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Marie Clarke	Claire, Lynne, Maureen	Agnes & Erika
Baptism of The Lord 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Helen H	Joan, Mike & Christine	Mike & Christine

**MONMOUTH BIG BAND** – A 16-piece jazz orchestra playing a variety of music. Featuring Becki Biggins, Gareth Roberts and Richard Cryer. The Concert will take place at The Savoy Theatre, Monmouth on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 8pm. For tickets visit [www.Monmouth-savoy.co.uk](http://www.Monmouth-savoy.co.uk)

**MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2020:** 7 Night Stay and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266 per person sharing. Book any flight - any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call us for further info and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 020 3239 8662 or email: [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com).

**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.**

