

2 nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 19 th January 2020 Cycle A Page 125		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>Helen Serridge</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Brendan O'Driscoll</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	20 th	9.15 am	<i>Special intention (Walsh)</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	21 st	7.00pm	<i>Vic & Mary Williams (welfare) St Agnes</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	22 nd	9.15am	<i>Peg & Ben Shorten</i>	Monmouth
		6.30pm	<i>Rosary</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Thursday	23 rd	10.00am	<i>Fitzpatrick & Phelan families</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	24 th	9.15am	<i>Private intention St Francis de Sales</i>	Monmouth
Saturday Mass at Usk Prison				
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday from 6.15-6.45 pm and Monmouth: Saturday from 5.15-5.45 pm				
3 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time 26 th January 2020		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Patricia Mossop</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>Les Duffield</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				
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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The is the first of four official prayers for 'The God who Speaks' Scripture campaign:

Living God,
You walk alongside us
and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be Your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us.

St. Matthew, pray for us.

St Jerome, pray for us.

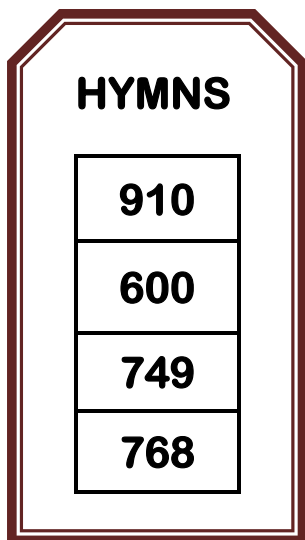
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18TH– 25TH JANUARY 2020

Each day there will be the opportunity to meet for prayer.

On Sunday 19th (today) there will be a Bring and Share lunch at 1pm
at The Venue, Hill Street (the old Y-Zone) followed by a short joint service.
On the other days the following churches will be hosting a short (15min)

time of prayer at midday:

- † Monday 20th - St Marys
- † Tuesday 21st - Ross Baptist Church
- † Wednesday 22nd - Ross Baptist Church
- † **Thursday 23rd - St Frances of Rome**
- † Friday 24th - St Marys
- † Saturday 25th - Christ Church



Last Week's Offertory	
Envelopes	£ 239.15
Loose plate	£ 109.33
Room Hire	£ 70.00
Other	£ 87.92
Total	£ 506.40

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: *Martha Roberts, Laura Duggan, Eileen Veale, Rita Taylor and Barbara Jarvis.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. There will be a meeting regarding First Holy Communion plans after Mass today. Children who are in Year 3 or above at school (age 7-8) may attend classes; they should also have already been baptised.

A JOURNEY WITH ST PAUL continues on Wednesday, 22nd January at 10.00am in Monmouth. Getting to know the story of our faith. **Please bring a Bible!** All welcome.

BLESSING OF BIBLES: You are invited to bring your Bible to Mass next weekend to be blessed during the Third Sunday of the Word of God as decreed by Pope Francis.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL During February St Joseph's will be taking over the pop-up charity shop on Gloucester Road (the old Job Centre building).

We need volunteers to staff the shop between the 8th to 22nd February. There are 2 shifts available; 10am-1pm & 1pm-4pm.

We would be grateful of any help, either to staff the shop or donating good quality items of clothes, toys, books etc to help stock the shop – these can be taken directly to the shop during or before our slot.

Money raised will go towards school trips, new equipment as well as funding additional extra-curricular activities for our children so please pop into the shop and try and find some bargains during February!



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

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 wszystki.



CHARITY RACE-NIGHT & ST PATRICKS NIGHT CELEBRATION – with all proceeds to “Aid to the Church in Need” is being organised by Monmouth Wydean Catenians on **SATURDAY 14th March**, with a 7.30pm start. Doors open at 7pm. The Venue is Whitchurch & Ganarew Memorial Hall, in Whitchurch Village. Numbers are limited and tickets are £10 per person, which includes Supper. Please see poster for details. Tickets available from Sunday 26th January after Mass. For details contact Dave Andrews: 01600 712194 or Glyn Jones: 01600 775607.

RIP FR ALISTAIR of Belmont Abbey. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May they rest in peace. Amen

DATE	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	TEA & COFFEE
19 th January 2020	Joan Mason	Aidan, Claire, Maureen	Josie E
26 th January 2020	Stephen & Janet	Erica, Jon & Lindsay	Katherine U

FOOD CRISIS IN ZIMBABWE & ZAMBIA: The United Nations has warned that a major food crisis is affecting 7.7 million Zimbabweans (more than half the population) and that 2.3 million Zambians will face a similar crisis by March of this year. CAFOD has appealed for donations in light of this ongoing humanitarian crisis. “*In a time of crisis the communities we serve tell us how much acts of prayer and support from people thousands of miles away inspires hope that they will be able to survive and rebuild their lives.*” To donate to the emergency appeal click on the following link: <https://cafod.org.uk/donations/one-off? Amount=25& Appeal=122068>



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