

St Mary's Catholic Church, Monmouth

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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

5th January 2020

Mass Times & Intentions				
SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 5 th January 2020		Saturday 6.00 pm	Derek Neate	Monmouth
		9.15 am	People of the Parish	Monmouth
		11.00 am	Geraldine O'Shea	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	6 th	9.15 am	Maureen & Bernard Murphy	Monmouth
Tuesday	7 th	7.00 pm	Peggy Rein & Rose Coyle	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	8 th	9.15 am	Teresa & Benjamin Rees	Monmouth
Thursday	9 th	10.00 am	Ruth Smith (welfare)	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	10 th	9.15 am	Private intention	Monmouth
BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST) 12 th January 2020		Saturday 6.00 pm	Dorothy Evans	Monmouth
		9.15 am	People of the Parish	Monmouth
		11.00 am	Mary Sellar's recovery	Ross-on-Wye

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The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, 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 messianic 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'). (Catechism of the Catholic Church)



Monmouth Collections

Gift Aid	Loose plate	Crib
£214-20	£272-38	£26-75

Please remember in your prayers:

Joan Humphreys, James Boyle, Simon McGrath, Billy Mann, Sheila MacEwan, Jill Lloyd, Esther Gallagher, Bernadette Price, Liam O’Keefe, Margaret Kelly, Mary Iles, Arthur & Angela Barge, Duncan Wills, Nigel Poole, Olivia Sherrington, Honor Houghton, Pauline Collier, George Schandlinger, Helena Machin and all members of our parish who are sick and those who care for them.

Please remember also all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

REST IN PEACE: CHRISTOPHER DAVID. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

A JOURNEY WITH ST PAUL resumes on Wednesday 8 January at 10 am in Monmouth. All welcome.

Next CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) parish meeting is on Wednesday 8th January in St Mary’s parish room, from 7 pm. Tony Forster, a well-known parishioner, will provide an illustrated talk entitled: “Attempting to break the cycle of catastrophe”, based on his experience as Inspector of Mines, in Australasia. All welcome.

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

Pope’s intention for January 2020:

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

O, Come let us adore Him



THE GOD WHO SPEAKS: THE YEAR OF THE WORD:

Throughout the year 2020, the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales will be celebrating a Year of the Word called The God Who Speaks. This special year marks not only the 10th anniversary of Pope Benedict XVI’s Apostolic Exhortation Verbum Domini (“The Word of the Lord”), but also the 1600th anniversary of the death of St Jerome, known for translating the Bible into Latin (the “Vulgate”).



Date	Eucharistic Minister	Reader	Welcomer
4 January 5 January	Val Field Robert Derricott *	Brian Jones Children’s Mass	Shelagh Adams Martina Davies
11 January 12 January	Liz Alford Elizabeth Cherry	Bernadette Keyton Martin Milling	Mrs Kath Beavis Mary Boase