

St Mary's Catholic Church, Monmouth

St. Frances of Rome, Ross-on-Wye

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18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 31 July 2022

Mass Times & Intentions				
18 TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 31 st July	Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm		<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
	9.15 am		<i>Alison Potts</i>	Monmouth
	11.00 am		<i>Bushell intention</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday AUGUST	1 st	9.15 am	<i>Private intention</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	2 nd	10.00 am	<i>Yvonne Hildor</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	3 rd	9.15 am	<i>Special intention</i>	Monmouth
Thursday	4 th	10.00 am	<i>Annie Scott</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday *	5 th	9.15 am	<i>Patrick John Walsh</i>	Monmouth
19 TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 7 th August	Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm		<i>Christine & Ken Jones</i>	Monmouth
	Sunday 9.15 am		<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
	11.00 am		<i>Elaine O'Connor</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Sacrament of Reconciliation				
From 5.15-5.45 on Saturday (before the Vigil Mass) in Monmouth From 10.30-11.00 am on Tuesday (after Mass) in Ross-on-Wye				
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For a healthy relationship between love of one's native land and a sound sense of belonging to our larger human family, it is helpful to keep in mind that global society is not the sum total of different countries, but rather the communion that exists among them. The mutual sense of belonging is prior to the emergence of individual groups. Each particular group becomes part of the fabric of universal communion and there discovers its own beauty. All individuals, whatever their origin, know that they are part of the greater human family, without which they will not be able to understand themselves fully.

To see things in this way brings the joyful realization that no one people, culture or individual can achieve anything on its own: to attain fulfilment in life we need others. An awareness of our own limitations and incompleteness, far from being a threat becomes the key to envisaging and pursuing a common project. For "a human person is a limited being who is himself limitless."

Pope Francis

Pope's intention for July: For the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Please pray for all those in our parish who are not well and would like to be remembered, especially: Michael Hargaden, Bernadette Price, Jacob Sprackling (aged 2½ years), great-grandson of Nell Tregaskis and Elizabeth Allcock

ST JOHN KEMBLE PILGRIMAGE

This year's pilgrimage will take place on

Sunday 21 August.

Walking pilgrims will leave St Mary's, Monmouth after 9.15 Mass – all pilgrims gathering at the gate of Welsh Newton church at 3 pm.

As usual, prayers at the grave of St John Kemble will be followed by return to Monmouth for Benediction and then tea in the presbytery garden.

**** VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED ****

- 1) To prepare the walker's route cross country
- 2) To welcome pilgrims at St Mary's church and to prepare and serve refreshments.

If you can help, please sign the list at the back of church.

JOINT PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

The Vaughan family are kindly providing The Green on the Courtfield Estate for a joint parish picnic.

Proposed start time of 1 pm.

Further details to follow.

Save the date!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: in the Parish Room during Mass on Sunday.

SYNOD 2023: NATIONAL SYNTHESIS: To read the full Synod National Synthesis, click [HERE](#).

& DISTRICT FOODBANK: collection box is at the back of the church. In-date dried & tinned food welcome. Thank you.

Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist & Welcomers: please see Father Nick to volunteer. Thank you.

CRAFT GROUP – Meet in the Parish Room in Ross on Tuesday evenings from 6pm-to 8pm. Contact Janet for details: mrsjanetbaker6@gmail.com

[FIX THE FOOD SYSTEM:](#) What are the causes of the world food crisis?

This disaster has been created by a perfect storm of converging crises - including the coronavirus pandemic, climate change and the Ukraine conflict - causing food prices to skyrocket. Our global food system is at breaking point. All around the world – including here, in the UK – families are finding it harder than ever to put food on the table. In the affected areas of East Africa, many of the people worst affected have been learning to cope with the impacts of climate change for years – but collapsing supply chains, on top of four consecutive years of unbearable drought, have put everything they've worked for at risk. [Please pray for food justice.](#)