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23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4th SEPTEMBER 2022

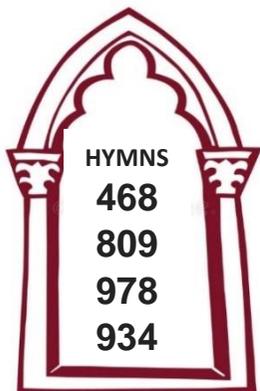
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>Mary Thomas & Joan Dunn</i>	Monmouth
4 th September 2022		9.15am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
Year C Page 133		11.00am	<i>Wolfgang & Liselotte Steinbach & family, living & dead</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	5 th	10.00am	<i>Boase intention</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	6 th	10.00am	<i>Private intention</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	7 th	10.00am	<i>Julia Machin</i>	Monmouth
Thursday The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8 th	10.00am	<i>Special Intention</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	9 th	10.00am	<i>Bridie Price</i>	Monmouth
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday 10.30 am Monmouth: Saturday 5.15 - 5.45 pm				
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
11 th September 2022		10.00am	Wilfred Blagden	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Joaquina Miranda Cabral</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Contributions to the newsletter by 12 noon Thursday please to Tish at St Frances of Rome: stfrances.editor@gmail.com And Therese at St Mary's: stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com				
Safeguarding Representatives: Jon and Lindsay Wise Tel: 01989 764224				
Parish Room bookings contact Kimberley Howell: k_howell@hotmail.co.uk				
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The path to peace does not mean making society blandly uniform, but getting people to work together, side-by-side, in pursuing goals that benefit everyone. A wide variety of practical proposals and diverse experiences can help achieve shared objectives and serve the common good. The problems that a society is experiencing need to be clearly identified, so that the existence of different ways of understanding and resolving them can be appreciated. The path to social unity always entails acknowledging the possibility that others have, at least in part, a legitimate point of view, something worthwhile to contribute, even if they were in error or acted badly. "We should never confine others to what they may have said or done, but value them for the promise that they embody," a promise that always brings with it a spark of new hope.

Pope Francis

Tea and coffee are served after Mass in the Parish Room. Please come along for a chat and get to know other parishioners. Visitors warmly welcome.





Last Week's Offertory: Envelopes £25.00; Loose Plate £100.52; Other £35.94; Total: £161.46.

Please remember in your prayers:

Sick Parishioners: *Caroline Walters, Eithne Holcom, Pat Fennessy, John Cotterell, Monica Mullan and Honor Houghton.*

Anniversaries: *Gerald Sanders, Jane Brannon, James Scott and Alice Johnson.*

THE JOINT PARISH PICNIC – CANCELLED: Unfortunately, because of the forecast of inclement weather, it has been decided to abandon this Sunday's picnic. Sincere thanks to the Vaughan family for their offer of hospitality which we hope to take up again at an earlier date next year.

The Universe Catholic Weekly is thrilled to announce that we have launched our new online newspaper with the full support of our first subscriber none other than His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Order **your Digital** 4 weeks **FREE introductory offer** by calling Michelle on 0743 661 7650 or email: michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk
We invite you to submit articles/news and celebrations about your local parish activities.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ROSS FOOD LARDER: The Churches Together in Ross and District Community Larder is a project situated in the basement of St Mary's Hall. It seeks to help individuals and families who are facing hardship. It is supported by members of the local and district churches, Ross Town Council, the Gazette, the Lions Club and local people. Donations gratefully received, please place in the container at the back of the church. **THANK YOU.**

ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL from 5 to 11 years, strives to ensure all pupils are motivated and supported spiritually, emotionally and educationally to achieve their full potential. St Joseph's Nursery is a safe, happy and stimulating environment for 2 to 4 year olds. Tel: 01989 546655 or email: admin@st-josephs.hereford.sch.uk

PAKISTAN FLOOD APPEAL: DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) appeal. Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive, a third of the country is now underwater (that's an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected.

Donations can be made at: <https://cafod.org.uk/donations/>
The UK Government will match fund public donations up to £5 million.

POPE FRANCIS CALLS US TO USE THE SEASON OF CREATION to "cultivate our ecological conversion" and to pray together in "the great cathedral of Creation". This is an ecumenical season dedicated to prayer for the protection of creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles. Pope Francis calls all Catholic families to:

PRAY FOR GOD'S GIFT OF CREATION, ALL PEOPLE AND CREATURES.
You can read more at: <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine
and for the people of Russia,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their
choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and Russia
and for all the world.

Amen.



USED POSTAGE STAMPS – Please save your used postage stamps for the Leprosy Mission, a worthy charity. There is a bottle outside the office for the stamps.

Cancer Research 100 Mile Walk Fund Raising Challenge.

Dear Parishioners,

It was great to be able to spend a couple of days in the area recently and to be able to meet some of you againthere is never enough time to see everyone butPlease God..... I will be back again in the not-too-distant future. I want to take this opportunity to thank so many of you who have continued to support me since I was diagnosed with ovarian cancer nearly 4 years ago; via emails and most of all via your prayers and the Masses I know have been offered on my behalf.

Despite currently receiving my 4 th line of chemotherapy, I am so fortunate to still be Blessed with good energy levels. So much so, that I decided to put this to good use when the Cancer Research organisation advertised a fund-raising opportunity and issued a challenge to walk 100 miles during the month of June. I completed the 100-mile walk successfully (in fact I managed 112!) as I wanted to raise as much money as possible for the organisation. I for one, have many reasons for being very grateful for their wonderful work and I suspect that many of you will have experienced cancer yourselves or know of someone who has had / is currently in treatment for cancer. Absolutely no obligation but a donation of just £2 would be greatly appreciated as every penny helps and makes a difference to the amount of money raised overall. This will ensure that the researchers can continue to use their God Given Gifts to create new life saving treatments in the future.

My Giving Page link is:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/honorias-walk-100-miles-challenge-giving-page>

Many thanks for your ongoing support and above all your prayers. To me, St Frances of Rome and St Mary's Monmouth will always be very special Parishes.

God Bless

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