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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

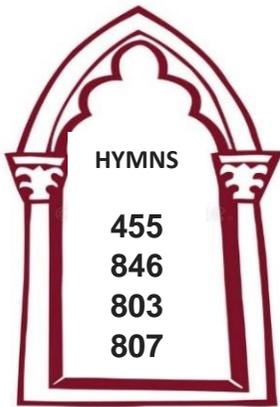
11th SEPTEMBER 2022

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11 th September 2023 Year C Page 136		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>Wilfred Blagden</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Joaquina Miranda Cabral</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	12 th	10.00am	<i>Stephen Else</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday St John Chrysostom	13 th	*7.00pm	<i>Special Intention</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	14 th	*NO MASS	NO MASS	Monmouth
Thursday Our Lady of Sorrows	15 th	10.00am	<i>Jo Wager</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian	16 th	10.00am	<i>Richard Machin</i>	Monmouth
*PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO MASS TIMES				
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday 10.30 am Monmouth: Saturday 5.15 - 5.45 pm				
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time 18 th September 2022		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00pm	<i>Brian Cookson</i>	Monmouth
		9.15am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00am	<i>Peter Matthews</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				
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Prayer is the deliberate act of the soul. It is true, full of grace, and lasting, for it is united with and fixed into the will of our Lord by the inner working of the Holy Spirit. Our Lord himself is the first to receive the prayer – as I see it – and he accepts it gratefully and joyfully. Then he sends it up above, and puts it in the treasury where it will never perish. There it remains continually, before God and his holy ones, ever helping our needs. And when we come to our bliss it shall be given back to us, a contribution to our joy, with his eternal, glorious, gratitude.

Our Lord is greatly cheered by our prayer. He looks for it, and he wants it. By his grace he aims to make us as like himself in heart as we are already in our human nature. This is his blessed will. So he says, 'Pray inwardly, even if you do not enjoy it. It does good, though you feel nothing, see nothing. Yes, even though you think you are doing nothing. For when you are dry, empty, sick, or weak, at such a time is your prayer most pleasing to me though you find little enough to enjoy in it. This is true of all believing prayer.'

Dame Julian of Norwich



Last Week's Offertory: Envelopes £145.00; Loose Plate £86.66; Other £24.00; Total: £255.66.

Please remember in your prayers:

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

Anniversaries: *Daisy Waugh, John Connolly, Edward O'Brian, Mary Webb, Francis Charnock, Dorothea Royen, Margaret Collinson, John Sweeny, Joseph Thompson, Veronica Doyle and Desmond D'Arcy.*

RIP: Please pray for the repose of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.



Statement of Archbishop Mark O'Toole on the death of Queen Elizabeth II

We have all been deeply moved to hear of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. I ask all Catholics to pray for her, that she may hear those words from her King and Lord, 'Well done, good and faithful servant - enter into the rest of your Master.' We pray too for King Charles and all the Royal Family, that they may be comforted at this time of loss.

I was giving a talk on Thursday evening in the Vatican to catechists, bishops and priests from across the world on what it means to try and pass on the Christian Faith. I paused my talk at about 6.20pm UK time for a moment of silence, so that we could recall Queen Elizabeth's exceptional Christian witness and the way she so often spoke of her relationship with Jesus Christ. All 1,000 of us in the Audience Hall of Paul VI prayed for the Queen at that poignant moment. Shortly afterwards we all heard the news she had died a few hours before.

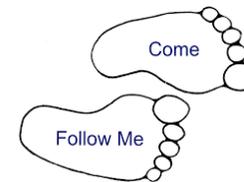
We entrust her soul to the mercies and blessings of the Lord.

EDUCATION SUNDAY – Please pray for students and teachers. There will be a 2nd collection for the Catholic education service. Further information can be found on: <https://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/>

“WHY” COURSE: 12 copies of the “Why” course booklet will be handed out after Mass for circulation within the parish to further our knowledge of our faith; please read and pass on.

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.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: There will be Children's Liturgy in the Parish Room during Mass, all welcome, come and join us!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ROSS FOOD LARDER: Grateful thanks to all who contribute regularly to this worthy cause. There is a box at the back of the church for donations.

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.
Herbata i kawa podana jest po mszy w Sali parafialnej.
Zapraszamy na pogawedke i poznanie parafian.
Serdecznie witamy gości.

