

## The Churches of Our Lady of Victories Cinderford, St Margaret Mary's Coleford, St Joseph's Lydney & Sacred Heart Sedbury.

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## **Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday** Sunday 12th November 2017 (Year A-1)

This Sunday	<u>Next Sunday</u>	<u>Weekday Masses</u>
Coleford - Sat 6pm Cinderford – 9am Sedbury – 11am	Coleford - Sat 6pm Cinderford – 9am Lydney – 11am	Tuesday – 9am Coleford Wednesday – 9am Cinderford Thursday – 9.30 Lydney Friday – 9am Sedbury

Cathedral Appeal total was £174.91. Many thanks for your generous donations.

**OLV Cleaning Rota:** 17th November – T. Hare

St Margaret Mary will be Church cleaning on Thursday 16 November at 2 pm. All help gratefully received.

RED MISSIO BOXES COLEFORD & OLV Please could all red boxes be returned to the church ASAP. As always, thank-you all so much for your continued support for Missio.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATION: In order to prepare ourselves spiritually, for this wonderful Feast of Christ coming into our world at Christmas to redeem us, we will be having our usual Advent Service in Our Lady's on the first Sunday of Advent, - 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 3.00p.m. We will use the same booklets as we had last year and anyone, including from our other churches, who would like to do one of the short readings, please contact Sister Celestine on 826102. The service will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and will be followed by light refreshments.

Clifton Diocese 2018 Liturgical Diary and the 2018 Directory are now in stock. The diary costs £6 and the directory is £5. If you wish to obtain a copy, please email or see Michelle in the office.

Our Year of Mission and the Year of Mark - Join Bishop Declan at Clifton Cathedral on Wednesday 29th November at 7pm. All welcome.

Charismatic Mass followed by Healing Prayer Ministry - with Principal Celebrant Fr. Gerry Walsh 16th November at St. Augustine of Canterbury, Matson Lane, GL4 6DT. Church open 7pm, Praise from 7.30pm. All welcome.

Newent & the Forest - Fr. John Eze has been welcomed into Newent Parish, where he will be for a year. The Bishop has asked us and Newent to come up with a plan how we would manage with one Priest for the two Parishes in a year's time. Please be praying about this.

National Youth Sunday - 26th November - Feast of Christ the King. 'Something to Say' we are inviting young people and young adults aged 12-25 to St Brendan's Catholic Sixth Form College on Saturday 25th November 10.30am-3pm for 'Something to say', our diocesan gathering for young people to celebrate National Youth Sunday and to share their views on the Church. To book your place, please email youth@cliftondiocese.com. For more information, please see http://www.cliftondiocese.com/eventyoung-people-young-adults/

## Diocesan Diary dates:

- Retreat days for Catechists & Youth leaders Saturday 20th January 2018 at Brownshill Monastery, Stroud. 10-4pm. Lunch provided. Cost £20pp booking essential youth@cliftondioces.com
- World Meeting of Families 2018 will take place 21-26th August 2018 in Dublin, Ireland. For more information http://www.cliftondiocese.com/world-meeting-families-2018/
- Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land October 2018 Bishop Declan is set to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2018 (22 - 30 October) staying three nights in Galilee, two nights in Bethlehem, and three nights in Jerusalem. http://www.cliftondiocese.com/diocesan-pilgrimage-holy-land-2018/

Open the Book is a project which offers primary school children an opportunity to hear the major stories of the Bible, from a team of Christians from local churches, who present the stories during assemblies/acts of Collective Worship. Each presentation takes around 10-15 minutes and can be incorporated into a wider school assembly, or can stand alone. It is a three-year rolling programme with an additional, but optional year of material based on Christian Values. If you are able to help once a week, 8.30am -10am approx, or even 2-3 times a term, please contact: *Aileen Powell* 01594 843180

Busy Bees Parent & Toddler Group runs on a Wednesday morning at the Church Hall in Coleford. They are looking for a helper for the group. If you could help please let Michelle in the office know.

Coleford Church is now open Tuesday – Friday 9am-12 noon.

Advanced Notice - There will be a Joint Carol Service held at St. Margaret Mary on Thursday 14th December at 6pm, followed by refreshments in the hall. All are welcome.

A Future Full of Hope - the new diocesan vision. Bishop Declan launched the new diocesan vision 'A Future Full of Hope' on Saturday 28 October, at St Brendan's College, Brislington, Bristol. This document sets out a roadmap for the next three years so that we may use the many resources the Lord has given us in order that we might build up the life and work of our parish communities. It can be viewed here: http://www.cliftondiocese.com/future-full-hope-diocesan-vision-document/

Clifton Children's Society Christmas Card catalogue 2017 is now at the back of Church.

Lydney & Cinderford Gift Aid Envelopes 2018 will be left at the back of the Parishes early December for collection. If anyone wishes to Gift Aid your donations, please let Michelle know.

Responsorial Psalm: For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are

the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.