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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 17th June 2018 (*Year B-II*)

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

Second Collection this weekend is for **Day for Life**. The theme is 'Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery', Jesus tells us, "I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10 NJB). The Catholic community can make a real difference to help solve this problem – to help them find freedom and live life to the full. There are many organisations working to put a stop to human trafficking and modern slavery. One of these, the Santa Marta Group, works internationally to bring the Catholic Church and law enforcement agencies together to eradicate slavery. To read more visit www.santamartagroup.com

There will be Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays after the 9am Mass at St Margaret Mary's Church in Coleford. There will be two services, the first starting at 9.30 am until 10.15 am and the second starting at 11.15 am until 12 noon. Between 10.15 am and 11.15 am there will be tea/coffee and a bacon bap in the Church Hall to which everyone is welcome. You are welcome to come and experience Christ's love for us all. As we spend time in adoration, praise, thanksgiving, asking for his mercy, listening to Him and entrusting ourselves to Him. How can we know Him, if we do not spend time with Him?

Sedbury - Our next meeting is after Mass on Sunday 24th June.

Teas/Coffee/Cakes next Sunday 24th June after Cinderford Mass. All welcome.

OLV cleaning rota: 29th June - J. Thorne

ANNUAL FETE, our fete this year is being held on Saturday the 15th September from 11am til 2pm at St Joseph's Church, Lydney. Please put the date in your diary. Raffle tickets will be distributed to the churches in the next couple of weeks. Please work hard to sell as many tickets as possible as a significant part of the fete income is from raffle ticket sales. Will parishioners who know performers, musicians, singers etc please see if your usual contacts are available, the sooner we book them the better.

Lydney Churches Together Group has representatives from all the churches in Lydney and some from the surrounding area. They work to reach out to the wider local community through various activities such as the Praise in the Park, the Walk with the Cross on Good Friday etc. Deacon Paul has been one of our representative

for over ten years and it would good if someone else could take over this role and bring some new ideas to the group. You don't have to live in Lydney as many of the current representatives live elsewhere. Speak to Paul if you think you could take this on and if you want to know more.

Home Visit Talks June/July 2018 - A series of five talks have been arranged on behalf of the group of parishioners interested in making home visits. The 5 talks are:

Wednesday 27th June - Visiting and related issues - Julie Godwin from Gloucestershire St Vincent De Paul Society

*Tuesday 3rd July at 2pm - Bereavement - Vinod Bavabhai from Great Oaks Hospice Wednesday 11th - Community Wellbeing Agents (previously known as Village Agents) - Mike Morgan Wednesday 18th of July – Dementia - Nina Summerfield one of the District Council Dementia Agents Wednesday 25th of July Linking Lives Project - Louise Maclay

As we have external speakers coming to present it would be good if we had more than just a handful of people in the audience. All parishioners are welcome to come along to one or more of the talks if they are of interest to you, they are not just for the home visits team. They are all on Wednesday evening, refreshments from 7.15 for a 7.30pm start apart from the talk on Bereavement which is on the Tuesday afternoon the talk starting at 2pm. They will all be in the Coleford church hall.

Ride for Vocations 4, The Final Leg! – Fr. Matt is taking up a new challenge, cycling some of the iconic climbs of the Tour De France in the Alps and Pyrenees 26 June – 9 July 2018. If you wish to donate this can be done online at https://mydonate.bt.com/events/rfv4/460445 or cheques can be sent to Fr. Matt Anscombe, Vocations Director, St. Bernadette's Presbytery, 731 Wells Road, Bristol, BS14 9HU. Cheques made payable to: Clifton Diocese. If you wish to Gift Aid, please send your address with payment.

Attention all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers - this concerns you. The Diocesan Day this year is focussed on these two roles and is an opportunity for ongoing formation and renewal. The day is being held at St Brendan's Sixth Form College on Saturday the 30th June. All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers should make every effort to attend. At the mass at the end of the day Bishop Declan will recommission Extraordinary Ministers and bless all Readers. Car sharing can be arranged, contact Michelle if you can provide a lift or need a lift. If you plan to go you need to have contacted the organisers directly yourself by the 22nd June as they need to know how many lunches to provide, adult.education@cliftondiocese.com or ring 01179 902 5595. Here is the link to the programme for the day https://cliftondiocese.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/DFD-2018-booklet-1.pdf

Church Hall, Coleford have many activities, Monday (alternate weeks) is the Hard of Hearing Group; First Monday of the Month is the craft group U3A; Tuesday is Tai Chai 12.30-1.30pm then Pilates 2-3pm; Wed 9.30-11.30 Busy Bees Toddler Group; Thursday Young at Heart.

Responsorial Psalm: It is good to give you thanks, O Lord. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Communion Antiphon: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.