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St Joseph, Lydney & Sacred Heart, Sedbury.
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Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year A-2) Sunday 22nd December 2019

Mass times for Saturday 21st December & Sunday 22nd December

Lydney Saturday 6 pm
Cinderford Sunday 9 am
Newent Sunday 11 am

Mass times for Saturday 28th December & Sunday 29th December

Coleford Saturday 6 pm
Cinderford Sunday 9 am
Newent Sunday 11 am

Weekday Services & Christmas Mass Times

Monday 23rd Dec - No Service

Tuesday 24th Dec - 9am Mass Coleford followed by
Eucharistic Adoration 9.30 am and 11.15 am
Christmas Vigil Masses 6 pm Cinderford and
9 pm Lydney (Carols from 8.30 pm)

Wednesday 25th Dec - **Christmas Masses** 8 am Coleford and 10 am Newent

Thursday 26th Dec & Friday 27th Dec - No Service

Parish information

YEAR OF COMMUNION 2019-2020

At the beginning of 2017, Bishop Declan wrote a pastoral letter inviting us to ponder the question: what is it to be the Church for our day and our culture? Two additional questions followed: what is God calling me to be and do as a member of the Body of Christ, the Church? What is it for me to be a Catholic today?

During the Year of Mission 2018 our focus was to reflect upon the ways in which we can grow in discipleship and so become more actively effective in our mission, especially to the poor and to those on the peripheries of society.

In our Year of Prayer 2019 we have focused on the fact that in the work of evangelisation we are entirely dependent on the gift of the Holy Spirit for which we must pray unceasingly.

As we begin our Year of Communion we will focus on a Spirituality of Communion and how we are called and saved, not as individuals but as God's people. We will build upon existing ways in which parishes collaborate and will encourage the work that has already begun.

CHILDREN ACTIVITY - ST JOSEPH, LYDNEY

On Monday 23rd December at 3pm all children will be welcome to come and decorate the Christmas Tree and dress the Church in preparation for our Lord's coming this Christmas. It is also an opportunity for all our children and parents in the Parish to get to know each other. Any adults also wishing to join in would be extremely welcome.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

We are invited to join St. John's for Carols at 4pm on Sunday 22nd December at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Broadwell, Coleford.

PARISH AGM MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2019

A copy of the minutes are available to read on all church notice boards. If you would like a copy please request one from the Parish Office.

Parish information



Christmas Blessings

Fr. Barnabas thanks you all for your kindness, gifts and the work you have done during the past year.

Diocese information

On Saturday 18th January at St. Brendan's Sixth Form College, Bristol from 10am-3.30pm, David Wells, who is an international speaker and author will guide us in our understanding of what it means to evangelise, catechise and form our people for mission in our parish and in the wider world. (Refreshments from 9.30am). There will be an opportunity for participants to choose from a number of workshop options. Please bring a packed lunch. Everyone welcome..

Responsorial Psalm: Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.