

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

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The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (Year A-2) Sunday 12th January 2020

Mass times for Saturday 11th January &

Sunday 12th January

Coleford Saturday 6 pm

Cinderford Sunday 9 am

Newent 11am

Mass times for Saturday 18th January &

Sunday 19th January

Lydney 6pm

Cinderford 9am

Newent 11am

Weekday Services w/c Monday 13th January

Tuesday Coleford 9am followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday Newent 10am Morning Prayer

Thursday No Mass

Friday 9am Sedbury

Parish information

THANKSGIVING SERVICE FOR MARGARET DEKKERS

The thanksgiving service for Margaret Dekkers is on Saturday the 18th of January at St Joseph's church Lydney at 11am. There is a reception afterwards at the Royal British Legion Lydney, all are welcome.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - NEXT MEETING

St Vincent de Paul will be holding their next meeting on Wednesday 22nd January at 11.30am in the Church Hall at Coleford. If you would like to find out more about the group or have any suggestions to offer, please come and join us.

COME AND S.E.E. TALKS

Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent is holding another selection of talks by people of God. These talks have proved inspirational and exciting hearing what God is doing in people of faiths lives. All are welcome to Come and S.E.E. on Wednesday 5th February 2020, 7.30 - 9pm with Mike Curtis, Gloucester City Mission and Wednesday 4th March 2020, 7.30pm - 9pm with Jeannette Trevail, Our Lady of Lourdes.

RED MISSIO BOXES - LYDNEY

Please would everyone who has been donating in their 'Red Missio Box' please hand them to Sadie for their contributions to be collected. Missio is the Pope's official charity for overseas Missions, in England and Wales Missio works in partnership with the Mill Hill Missionaries.

A big 'THANK YOU' for your donations which go to help the Church to grow and develop, enabling it to serve those most in need in the poorest areas of the World.

SECOND COLLECTION - WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2020

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal next weekend. On 21 October 2019 the most extreme abortion regime in Europe was imposed on the people of Northern Ireland by the government at Westminster. Abortion will now be permitted for any reason up until at least 24 weeks, and even beyond that. The abortion lobby now wants to introduce this in England and Wales.

Parish information

FAITH GROUP, COLEFORD

The next Faith Group session will be on Wednesday 22nd January (held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month) in the Church Hall from 7.30pm- 8.30pm with tea and coffee from 7.00pm. We will be exploring the Bible and looking at how God guides us and shows us his loving mercy and purpose for humanity. Everyone welcome.

Diocese information

SHARING OUR STORY

On Saturday 18th January at St. Brendan's Sixth Form College, Brislington, Bristol, we welcome David Wells back to the Diocese to help us explore what it means to 'share our story'. He is well known for his deep theology, accessible presentation and self-deprecating humour. He will inspire us, nourish us and encourage us to keep sharing. Workshops on offer include: First Communion Preparation, accompanying parents, Confirmation catechesis, Sharing our Story – Alpha, Baptismal Preparation, Liturgy and Catechesis and Sacramental Rites. All are welcome to this day – no experience necessary. The day starts at 10am (with refreshments from 9.30am) and will finish at 3.30pm, please bring a packed lunch

AN OPPORTUNITY DURING THIS YEAR OF COMMUNION

This year marks the start of 'Behold, Your Mother' when the people of England are being invited to dedicate themselves to Mary, Mother of Jesus, in 2020. Clifton Cathedral will be hosting a Triduum of prayer from 20-22nd of February when they will receive the statue of Mary from the Slipper Chapel at the Catholic National Shrine in Walsingham as part of the preparation for the year of dedication. More information will follow about what the Cathedral is offering. For more information and how to get involved go to <https://www.behold2020.com/#1>.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.