

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

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Sunday 18th August 2019

Mass times for Saturday 17th August & Sunday 18th August

Lydney 6pm
Cinderford 9am
Newent 11am

Mass times for Saturday 24th August & Sunday 25th August

Coleford 6pm
Cinderford 9am
Newent 11am

Weekday Services w/c Monday 19th August

Tuesday Coleford 9am Morning Prayer & Liturgy of the Word
Tuesday Coleford 9.30 and 11.15am Eucharistic Adoration

Parish information

TEAS & CAKES

There will be Teas and Cake Sale in Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford after Mass next Sunday. All donations of cakes will be gratefully received.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

At Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford on Friday, 6th September at 3.00p.m. All are welcome.

ANNUAL PARISH FETE 7 SEPTEMBER

The annual fete will be held as usual at St Joseph's Church in Lydney on Saturday 7 September starting at 11 am, if the weather is bad it will be held in the Lydney Community Centre across the road from the church.

Raffle tickets are available from all 3 churches, first prize is £100 (not bad for 25p) and lots of other prizes. Please try to support the fete and even if you can't make it on the day then please look out any bric a brac, tombola prizes, bottles of wine for the wine and water stall, jams etc, and cakes and fresh produce nearer the time.

St Joseph's Church will be open as usual on the Thursday and Friday evenings from 6 to 8 pm for receiving contributions etc. As parishioners leave and new ones arrive, it is always good to have as many people as possible from all our churches involved, so if you are able to help on the day or beforehand with the preparations then please let Kristyann know or pass your name and contact details to Father Barnabas, Deacon Paul or Anthony Midgley (01594 841949) at St Joseph's so we can contact you.

There will be fun for all ages with a brass band, singing groups, lots of stalls with bargains galore, a bouncy castle, teas and other food, and games etc. It will be opened as usual by our local MP Mark Harper so this is your chance to get his ear if you wish!

FETE CAKE STALL

We would be very grateful for donations of cakes on the day or if anyone needs us to collect please phone Margaret on 01594 562175. Many thanks from Sadie and Margaret.

PARISH REGISTRATION FORMS

We would be very grateful if you could return your completed Parish Registration form to the Church or the Parish Office by the end of August. Thank you.

Diocese information

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Bishop Declan invites you to join him in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 23rd to 30th August 2019. For further information please email lourdes@cliftondiocese.com or call 0117 902 5590 option 7

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Have you ever wondered what God is calling you to do with your life? If so, please read on! A three day Vocations Discernment Retreat organised by Clifton Diocese and Downside Abbey for Catholics aged 18 to 35 years old, will be held at Downside from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th October, 2019. The talks during the Retreat will consider all vocations; the consecrated life; priesthood; and lay life. Speakers include Sr. Elizabeth Mary Mann, Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP and Prof. Gavin D'Costa. Fr. Colin Mason, the newly appointed Director of Vocations for Clifton Diocese, will also be giving one of the talks.

The residential cost with all meals included is £50 in shared accommodation in a Retreat House or £70 in an en-suite twin room in the Monastery Guest Wing. The non-residential cost with all meals included is £40. No one should feel unwelcome if they cannot meet these costs, so please discuss this with the organiser. For more information and to book please contact the organiser rinabird@outlook.com. Your Parish Priest has the full programme should you wish to see it. The last Discernment Retreat attracted nearly 40 young Catholics who found the weekend hugely beneficial, so do please join us!

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, come to my aid!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.