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# **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

Sunday 19th January 2020

Mass times for Saturday 18th January & Sunday 19th January

Lydney Saturday 6 pm Cinderford Sunday 9 am Newent 11am Mass times for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January

Coleford 6pm Cinderford 9am Newent 11am Weekday Services w/c Monday 20th January

Tuesday Coleford 9am followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday Newent 10am

Thursday No Mass Friday 9am Sedbury

# Parish information

## 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.

# **SECOND COLLECTION - WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2020**

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal this weekend. More details about SPUC and the White Flower Appeal will be provided during Mass.

# **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. 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.

# **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.

#### LYDNEY CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK OF PRAYER

Organised by Churches Together in Lydney, this will take place next week. This year the theme is 'Unusual Kindness'. Everyone is most welcome.

Services will be as follows;

Monday, 20th at 7.00pm at Lydney Christian Fellowship.

Tuesday, 21st at 2.00pm at United Reform Church.

Wednesday, 22nd at 10.30am at Stroat Church.

Thursday, 23rd at 10.30am at St Mary's Church.

Friday 24th at 10.30am at St Joseph's Church.

Saturday, 25th at 5.00pm at the Community Centre Naas Lane.

## Diocese information

## YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS RETREAT 21 TO 23 FEBRUARY 2020 AT DOWNSIDE ABBEY

"Understanding the World as God's Portrait: a Retreat musing on the magnificence of the Incarnation". All young Catholics aged 18 to 35ish are invited to attend this residential Retreat at Downside Abbey. The principal speaker is Sebastian Morello, formator and lecturer at the Centre for Catholic Formation in London, and known for his intellectually stimulating, and challenging insights, into the Catholic Christian tradition. One of the Downside Monks, Fr. Anselm Brumwell, will also be speaking about "The Biblical Revelation of God". The Downside young adult group, developed with Clifton Diocese, now comprises over 180 young people from across the country. These Retreats are therefore a wonderful opportunity to meet new people, and stay in touch with old friends, in the beautiful setting of Downside Abbey. In addition to the talks, you will be able to join the Benedictine Monastic Community in celebrating Holy Mass, the Divine Office and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Contact rinabird@outlook.com for details of the programme and to book. The residential cost, including meals, is as follows:

£60 in shared accommodation in Retreat House £80 in En-suite Twin Room in Monastery Guest Wing Non-Residential Cost all meals included: £50

#### 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: Here I am Lord! I come to do your will.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon**: You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the

chalice that quenches my thirst.