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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Mass times for Saturday 5th October & Sunday 6th October

Coleford 6pm Cinderford 9am Newent 11am Mass times for Saturday 12th October & Sunday 13th October

Lydney 6pm Cinderford 9am Newent 11am

Sunday 6th October 2019

Friday Sedbury 9am

Weekday Services w/c Monday 7th October

Tuesday Newent 9am Tuesday Coleford 9.30 and 11.15am Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday Newent 10am Thursday No Mass

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CAFOD SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection for the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD) this weekend (5th/ 6th October). Collection envelopes are available at the back of the Churches.

LYDNEY FOCUS PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Lydney Focus Prayer and Bible Study Group will meet at St Joseph's from 2.30 to 4pm on Thursday the 10th of October. This is a very friendly ecumenical group and all are welcome.

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

At St Margaret Mary, Coleford at 5pm on Sunday 13th October. Refreshments after service in the church hall. Everyone welcome.

RED MISSIO BOXES COLEFORD

Please could all box holders bring their boxes into church by the end of October. Thank you for your continued support.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

In his recent homily Fr Barnabas spoke about the resources online to assist in our spiritual growth. If you Google Catholic daily prayer and reflection you will find lots of resources. Try a few to see which you prefer. Universalis has a free version which works fine or for a small one off subscription you get more features and can tailor what you see. Another approach is to look at one of the readings from the mass of the day, read it slowly, let the words sink in. What word or short phrase leaps off the page? Why is it significant for you today? Remember it is God's word you are reading.

Here are some links you might find helpful:

https://mycatholic.life

https://www.vaticannews.va/en/prayers.html

https://universalis.com which has the readings for the day and morning and evening prayer.

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ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL 12/13th OCTOBER

The St Vincent de Paul Society, or SVP, was founded in 1833 by Blessed Frédéric Ozanam. It is a Christ-centred organisation made up of almost 10,000 volunteers across England and Wales. Each local group of this world-wide organisation is known as a Conference. The Forest of Dean Conference is a fledgling one, set up to help Fr Barnabas with his visiting and to increase our involvement with our community. Our mission is to seek and find those in need, to help them in the spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can. For example, our conference had been made aware of a family with an extremely sick child who needed short term support for transport to hospital, while other permanent solutions were being looked into.

We will be having an appeal at masses on 12th and 13th October with the second collection for the SVP. Members will be available to answer any queries you may have after mass. If you would like to know more about the SVP in the Forest please get in touch with the President, Pip Deave, on pip@deave.me.uk or 01594 516142.

FORMATION MORNING AT NEWENT

Calling all Ministers of the Eucharist and Ministers of the Word! Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent will be hosting a formation morning on 12th October 2019 to which we are invited. The sessions will be led by Sarah Adams and Doreen Wyatt from the Department for Adult Education and Evangelisation. We will start at 9.30am and be finished by 1pm at the latest. We look forward to welcoming you to Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent.

ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

We will be saying the Rosary at St Margaret Mary's before the Vigil Mass (5th and 9th October from at 5.20 to 6pm) – If you would like to lead a decade please speak to Fiona or Kate.

Responsorial Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.