

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

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Second Sunday in Advent (Year C) Sunday 9th December 2018

Mass times for Saturday 8th December

& Sunday 9th December

Coleford Saturday 6pm

Cinderford Sunday 9am

Newent Sunday 11am

Mass times for Saturday 15th December

& Sunday 16th December

Lydney Saturday 6pm

Cinderford Sunday 9am

Newent Sunday 11am

Weekday Masses & Services

Tuesday 9.30am and 11.15am Coleford Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 10am Newent

Wednesday 10am Newent

Thursday 9.30 Lydney

Friday 9am Sedbury

Parish information

SECOND COLLECTION - CINDERFORD

The second collection this weekend (9th) in Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford, is for flowers for the altar at Christmas. All donations will be gratefully received.

O.L.O.V. CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

This Sunday, 9th November, tickets will be on sale for our usual Christmas Raffle. This means that there will be no 50/50. Any donations of prizes for the Christmas Raffle will be most gratefully received. The draw of the Raffle will take place on Sunday, 16th December after Mass

ST. MARGARET MARY CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS

St Margaret Mary parishioners will be cleaning the church on Tuesday 18th December at 2 pm and putting up the crib. If you are able to find a moment in your busy Christmas schedule all help will be gratefully received.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS – ST. MARGARET MARY

There will be a joint carol service with St John's on Tuesday 18th December at 6pm. There will be sandwiches, cakes, tea and coffee in the hall after. Everyone Welcome.

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS

Why not bring your children or grandchildren along to St Joseph, Lydney, to prepare for Christmas by making tree decorations?

Local artist and parishioner Dorota Rapacz-Dufort is leading a workshop on Saturday 22nd December 3-5pm, culminating in hanging the decorations on the Christmas Tree, or taking back to the trees in the other churches ready for the Christmas services. All ages very welcome.

CAR FOR FR. BARNABAS

Please see the letter at the back of each Church regarding the raising of funds to provide a car for Father in order to provide his valuable ministry across the Forest and Newent parishes. Please support us on this fund raising. If you have any questions, please talk to one of the Pastoral Council members. Donation envelopes are now available at each Church.

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SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Monday 24th December 6.00pm – Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford, Carols at 5.30pm

Monday 24th December 9.00pm – St Joseph, Lydney, Carols at 8.30pm

Tuesday 25th December 8.00am – St Margaret Mary, Coleford

Tuesday 25th December 10.00am – Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT COLEFORD

If there is sufficient interest, there will be a Christmas Day Lunch in Coleford Hall. Please think of anyone who may be on their own that day. Contact Kristyann in the parish office.

AN INVITE TO SING FROM NEWENT

I would like to invite all singers to come and form a choir to help lead the liturgy at the 10.00 Mass on Christmas day at Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent, with carols from 9.40.

This invitation is for everyone connected to the parish from Newent, Blaisdon and the Forest. It's important to include all ages at this Mass in particular so we will have some great Christmas music suitable for young people as well as traditional carols.

Rehearsals will be after the 11.00 Mass on each of the Sundays in Advent starting this Sunday - don't worry if you can't make all four, just turn up to what you can manage.

If you would like to sing please let Gail at the Newent Parish Office know so she can pass on to Martin, the coordinator. I would be grateful if you could let me know as soon as possible whether or not you are able to sing.

Responsorial Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights; and behold the joy which comes to you from God.