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**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

Please use this link to enable you to access all Live or Recorded videos from our Church Website:

<https://vimeo.com/forestrcchurch>

**FRIDAY TALK AVAILABLE 14TH JANUARY**

## **January**

This month can be the worst for some people. Then we have February. Normally these two months bring winter proper. These last two Januarys have had the added burden of COVID with all the uncertainties. But without January and February would we appreciate Spring?

My cousin lives abroad and speaks of the warmth. However the grass is always greener. What he says he misses the most are the seasons. My intention always is to walk more at this time. You can see all the nooks and crannies in the Forest without the foliage. But do I do it? I suppose if I had a dog I'd have no choice. I'm sorry for those of you who can no longer walk; it keeps me going. Driving is for the Rosary, walking is for Reflection. But always it's important to just do what we can.

I had a priest friend who is no longer with us. As he got older he was able to do less and less. He said if he could achieve one task each day then he would settle better that evening. And the clever bit was the day he couldn't even do that. Those are the days he said to keep me humble and to know my need for God!

Bless you all,  
Barnabas



## **Synod 2021 2023 - now another way to get involved Forest Parish: online questionnaire now available**

We would like to invite you to share your opinions about our Parish and the wider Church. Hopefully you are aware that there is an opportunity to join Zoom meetings on three Wednesday evenings in January beginning on the 12<sup>th</sup>, plus a paper copy of a questionnaire which can be left in the box in the Church porch. In addition, there is now an online version of this questionnaire too, which you can complete in about 10 minutes from the comfort of your home using a laptop, PC, tablet or mobile phone. Simply click on the link here: [Synod 2021 2023 - parish questions](#), answer as many of the 14 questions as you would like to, then press 'submit'. We look forward to hearing what you think and adding your thoughts and ideas to our Parish Report (all responses remain confidential).

## NOAH'S CAMP

15th -19th AUGUST 2022

There will be something for everyone: inspiring talks in our blue and white stripy tent, workshops, craft tent, fun family times,

quiet prayer in our prayer tent.

Food on-site will include Tomaz with his Coffee Bike, Pizzas, Ice creams and much more.

**MORE DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON**

**For very latest info visit our website or Facebook page:**

<https://www.noahscamp.co.uk>

or

<https://www.facebook.com/NCamp2018/>

After two years of not being able to run the Charity is now in need of donations. If you are able to help please donate to Whites Farm Trust Sort code 40-52-40 Account no 00018888

**THANK YOU**

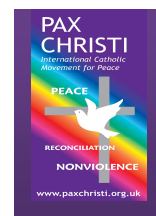


### Marriage Encounter Experience

For the past 50 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been offering marriage enrichment programs all around the world. Focused on couples who want to enrich their relationship and gain a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage, it offers a unique experience to explore your relationship at a deeper, more intimate level, regardless of how long you have been together. The next Marriage Encounter weekend is scheduled on 4th -6th March 2022 in Swindon and there are many other dates over the year (included Online Experience as well) – you can find out more and book your place at [www.wwme.org.uk](http://www.wwme.org.uk) or contact us on 0845 260

### Second collection this weekend for Pax Christi.

The title of Pope Francis' Message for World Peace Day is Dialogue between Generations, Education, Work: **Tools for Building Lasting Peace.**



### MASSES AND SERVICES

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January 6pm Lydney - Live streamed

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 9am Cinderford

11am Newent

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 10am Coleford - Live streamed

**Private Prayer in the Church after Mass until 12 noon**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 12 noon Newent

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 10am Lydney - Liturgy of the Word and Communion

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 6pm Coleford - Live streamed