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February 10th 2019

5th Ordinary Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Ministers of the Word: Paul & Sarah Rowe

Ministers of Communion: Maria Coleman, Gail & Steve Ebsworth

Please Pray for the Welfare of our Sick People and those who care for them

Steve Ebsworth, Bridget Spencer, Ann Kelly, Marjorie Beard, Ruth Wolseley, Paddy Arnold, Peter Gibbons, Joan Lumb, Clare Duncanson Lou Whitton and Honoria Houghton (Kevin's sister)

OUR LADY OF LOURDES - PRAY FOR US

PARISH OFFICE AND CHURCH OPEN TIME

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday From 9am till 12noon

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Good News proclaimed to the poor, to the prisoner, to the blind, to the downcast, and to everyone, is obviously not well received. The Good News is not just for the few but for all who are open to receive it... even the outsider, the foreigner and the stranger. In our prayer we are invited to be open to that same Good News which our second reading calls us to consider as love – God's love given freely to us so that we might radiate that love to others in the way we live. We are appointed as 'prophets' and proclaimers of God's love, not simply within the security of our own parish communities, but to our world. We proclaim Good News through patience, forgiveness, compassion, gentleness, understanding, kindness and through being the love Paul reflects upon – that same love with which God loves us.

THIS WEEK

Saturday 9 th February	8.30am 6pm	Shared Breakfast at the URC Newent Mass - Lydney	
Sunday 10 th February	9am 11am 12.30pm 3.15pm	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass – Cinderford Mass – Newent Baptism of Byrm Exploring Prayer – Living Faith – Growing in our Desire for Prayer – Brownshill, Stroud GL6 8AL	Intention: Mary Caroline Harford RIP
Monday	_	Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes	
11 th February	7pm	Call to Prayer – Prayer & Praise	
Tuesday 12 th February	9am	Mass - Coleford	
Wednesday	10am	Mass with coffee & chat	
13 th	7pm	Exploring Prayer – Living Faith – Growing	
February		in Our Desire for Prayer - Brownshill	
Thursday 14 th		FEAST OF SAINTS CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS, BISHOP, PATRONS OF	

February		EUROPE.	
Friday 15 th	9am	Mass - Sedbury	
February			
Saturday	10.30am	Prinknash Talk Martyrs and Heretics 2 nd	
16 th		Century	
February	2pm	Prinknash Talks Early Martyrdom in the	
		early church.	
	6pm	Mass – Coleford	
Sunday		SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
17 th	9am	Mass – Cinderford	
February	11am	Mass – Newent	
	12.30pm	Baptism Hugo Doel	
	6pm	Taize	
Monday		Spring Half Term	
18 th	2.30pm	Bible Study – Watery Lane- Newent	
February			

THANK YOU

White Flower Appeal 2019 (The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) £135.00

CALL TO PRAYER

A prayer and praise is planned Monday 11th February at 7pm and it is our Patronal Festival. We should really be feasting and celebrating. So we plan to celebrate with the Lord, through his word, prayer and song. If you would like to take part please speak to Gail.

STAMPS

Have you a pile of stamps after Christmas? Do you collect them and not know what to do with them? The



Forest parishes collect them so if you give them to Gail in the office or put them in a bag or envelope addressed to Gail she will collect them and pass them on to Fr Barnabas where a charity will reap the rewards.

REPORTS OR RESUMES

Are you running a group? Do you meet together? When two or more people get together then God is there taking part. We need to let people know where to find him.

Would you please submit a resume for each group, aims, when, what you like to do, who to contact if people want to find out more. Over the next few weeks/months we will include them in the newsletter. There is a lot happening: Mother's Prayers, Faith in Poetry, two Bible studies, Come and SEE, Call to Prayer, Friendship and Care groups. This will be an introduction to the groups so not long essays.

Bible Study Watery Lane 'Let it be' 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month at 2.30pm

What a thought provoking bible study we had on Monday at Gail's. It was all about Mary. She has always been part of my catholic life but I haven't given her a lot of thought till watching the dvd. It was well presented by Cafe a Catholic resource, beautiful scenes from many Marian sites and the Holy Land. Well worth taking part in. Do join us next time. Jenny Heseltine (*If you want to know more speak to Gail*)

KEYHOLDERS

If you have keys connected with Our Lady of Lourdes we are trying to make sure that we are properly covered by insurance and we need to maintain a key register. At the same time, all keys for the presbytery will need to be returned as soon as possible and before we have tenants in place. Please check that you have no keys for here and, if you have, please let Gail know in the office or return them to her. If we cannot comply with this request we may have to consider the expense of replacing the locks.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

A reprint is planned at the end of 2019. If you would like to be included in the reprint and not currently included please make sure that you have filled in the welcome form with your details and have signed and ticked the necessary boxes. Again I would like to remind you that an individual has to sign otherwise it will be assumed that they wish to remain anonymous. If there are mistakes in your entry in this print please contact Gail at the office or email her.

BANNER GROUP

The banner group met for the first time in January. Whatever we produce it will be produced with prayer. Our idea for our first banner is to express the Love of God for His people and ours for Him. To create this, we would like as many hearts as possible to represent each person in our congregation. So we are asking you to sew, embroider, crochet, knit etc. a heart measuring not less than 4" square (10cm) and not more than 12" (30cm). We hope that you might make use of the cloth from some much-loved item of clothing. We will let you know the closing date, but there is plenty of time for you to create and hand in your heart to: Mary Francis, Chris Roy, Ann Hay or Gail Ebsworth. We are looking forward to receiving your hearts.

Parish appeal: contributions towards Father Barnabas' car

Because of the parish reorganisation, Father Barnabas now has to cover a very wide geographical area every week, from Lydney to Newent. As a result he is buying a (second-hand!) four-wheel-drive to allow him to cope with road conditions especially in winter.

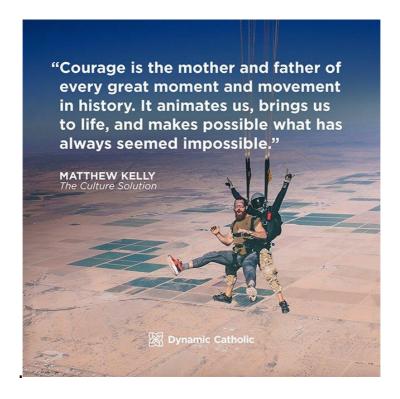
Contributions towards the cost are being collected across the united parishes and about £3000 has already been raised. If you feel able to make a donation, envelopes will be available at the back of church over the next few weeks.

Many thanks

LOOKING FORWARD

170th Anniversary Celebration at St Nicholas of Tolentino Parish Bristol. Tuesday 26th February 7pm

Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Declan.
Founded in 1848 is the second oldest post-reformation Catholic parish in Bristol



IGNITE with Mike Pilavachi

IGNITE evening at St Peter's RC High School hall on Friday 8th March 6.30pm-8.30pml. Our very special guest speaker is **Mike Pilavachi!!** Mike is the co-founder of Soul Survivor and Naturally Supernatural! He is an author, speaker and youth leader who travels globally sharing his Christian faith with young people. His itinerary this year shows that he is travelling to the USA, Brazil, New Zealand, Norway Australia Sweden and he is coming to St Peter's! Mike is funny, and has an inspirational message to share! Not to be missed! This event is open to all! Tickets must be purchased prior to the evening you can obtain by contacting mbaker@sphs.uk.com or by contacting the school on 01452 520594

We will have live praise and worship music and some inspirational contributions from our students. Doors will open at 6.15pm and the evening will finish at approximately 8.30pm

(If there is a number of us wanting to go we could go as a group, speak to Gail)

NOAH'S CAMP New Release New this year:

Pieter Herman, Manchester House of Prayer

Pippa Baker, One Hope Project & Celebrate Conference Leader.

Returning:

We are delighted to be welcoming back to Noah's Camp 2019:

Fr Gabriel Kyte, CFR

Steve Tebb, International Worship Leader Catch the Fire Uk

Niklas Carlsson, Cor et Lumen Christi

Kat Seney, Care for the Family

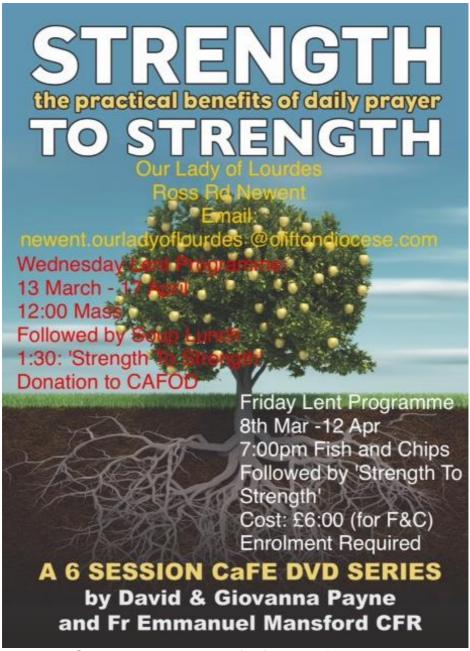
Fr Matthew Cashmore

The St Michael's Security Team

Tomas and the Coffee Bike

& Bob & Suze from Stone Artisan Pizza...

Amongst others!! Please speak to Mary Cameron for further details.



Speak to Mary Francis for further information.