

Mission

Thank you to those who have returned their Red Boxes to Trevor Williams. If you have not done so please do so as soon as possible.

Bettws Food Bank - 32 large bags of food were collected in November. This year's current total is an amazing 245 bags. The last date for food to be left for the December delivery is the weekend of December 8th/9th.

Stewardship

Bereaved or lonely and in need of support? If you are bereaved or lonely and would like company and a friendly chat, the Bereavement Support Group are here to help. Drop-in at St. Michael's Hall on Wednesdays 2:00pm-4:00pm or see contact details on the posters in our churches.

Admissions forms for Reception entry 2019 to the six Catholic schools in Newport are available now online or from the schools **and need to be returned by 14th January 2019.**

Annual Sick & Retired Clergy Fund Collection takes place THIS WEEKEND. The fund is used to help care for those who have served us by helping to provide for basic needs in sickness and retirement. Gift Aid envelopes are available if you wish to increase your donation at no extra cost to you.

The next meeting of St. David's SVP will be 5:15pm Tuesday 8th January 2019 in the sacristy

Prayer & Worship

Walk With Me, Advent and Christmas 2018 - This invaluable booklet for your Spiritual reflection through Advent is now available in all churches. **Cost £1.00**

Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00pm in St. Mary's for the sick and dying in our hospitals and at home.

The next Folk Choir rehearsal at **St. David's** will be 7:30pm on Monday 14th January 2019 in the sacristy.

Christmas Flowers - Once again you are invited to donate Poinsettia plants to be placed in the church for Christmas. Check back as churches make the dates available for delivery of the plants here:

St. David Lewis – by 23rd December
St. Mary's – by 21st December

Social & Fundraising

ALL SAINTS PARISH Christmas Draw. Tickets are available at all churches.

St. Anne's Christmas Raffle - Christmas is coming! We hope we can we count on your usual generosity in donating prizes for our raffle.

St. David Lewis Christmas Raffle - Raffle tickets will be available at the back of the Church for the Christmas raffle. Tickets need to be returned by the 15th of December.

St Michael's Christmas Raffle - Tickets are on sale this week at the back of the church. All proceeds to the Building Fund.

St. David Lewis - Children's Christmas Party to be held on Friday 28th December 2018 from 3pm to 5pm. All are welcome. Can all gifts be handed in by 24th December 2018. The gift must cost no more than £5. A number of empty Red Boxes are available in the

Church porch. We would appreciate if families would kindly take one home.

Thank you - The community at St. David Lewis would like to thank all their generous donors, and organizers of the Annual Christmas Sale, not forgetting all who visited our stalls and made it a success.

Mulled Wine and Coffee evening on Saturday 15th December at **St David Lewis**. It will take place in the back of the Church hall after the 5:00pm Mass. All are Welcome.

St. Mary's BAKE SALE : Many thanks to all who supported the **Cake Sale last Sunday. The total raised will be given next week.**

St. Mary's Brownies (5th Newport West) are now recruiting 7-10 year old girls who like to have fun, adventures and make new friends. To find out more visit <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/brownies-7-10/all-about-brownies/> or contact gnewportdivision@gmail.com

St. Mary's 200 Club 02.12.18. No. 88 M. Doyle

Scout & Guide Christmas Postage Stamps are now available (25p each), in St. Mary's Institute after 9.30am Mass on Sundays or from the Parish Office on weekdays.

It's only 2 weeks to Christmas! So come get your Christmas Nativity Sets, Cards, Candles and much more from St. Mary's Piety Shop after Mass on weekdays,

Christmas lunch on Christmas Day. Don't spend the day alone.

We are having our usual lunch on Christmas Day for all friends old and new who would like to join us. If you know of anyone, or would like to come along yourself please ring Phil 07813459743 or Jan 01633 678789 to book a place and arrange transport.

HCPT Group 99 - Non-Christmas Card Appeal. Could you spare the cost of a Christmas Card? HCPT Group 99 would be grateful to receive any donations in lieu of Christmas cards to help with their fundraising efforts. The small cost of buying & posting one Christmas card can help us fund the cost of taking some very special children from within All Saints to Lourdes at Easter next year. It's so easy to donate either online via the JustGiving page at WWW.JUSTGIVING.COM/NONCHRISTMASCARD499 or leaving a donation marked for HCPT Group 99 in the Parish Office or by contacting Mike Halford on 07813 612340. Thank you for helping us make a difference and from the helpers and Children of HCPT Group 99, A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

Other News

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2019. A group of people from around All saints make an annual pilgrimage to Lourdes at invite you to join their trip from the 6th – 11th September 2019. 5 nights – Full board - departing from Bristol with coach from Newport. Contact Antonetta on 01633 508460 for further information.

CATHOLIC DIRECTORY FOR WALES 2019 – This Annual Publication is now available across all our churches priced £3.00. This invaluable guide provides parish & clergy information, Mass times, Catholic sodalities etc. covering all of Wales and Herefordshire. A useful guide and a further record for the archives of Catholic History in wales. Get your copy TODAY.

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St. Mary, Stow Hill, Newport, NP20 1TP.

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St. Michael, Clarence Street, Pillgwenlly, Newport, NP20 2BZ.

2nd Sunday of Advent Cycle C – 9th December 2018

Entrance Antiphon:

O people of Sion, behold,
The Lord will come to save the nations,
And the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard
In the joy of your heart.

Psalm Response:

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

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Prepare a way for the Lord,
Make his paths straight,
And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

Memorial Acclamation:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
And profess your Resurrection
Until you come again.

Communion Antiphon:

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,
And behold the joy which comes to you from God.

The Ox and the Ass

With the erection of the Nativity scenes in the churches, we enter into Advent. The empty crib, as we have been gazing at this last week, is a reminder to us of the need to clear away those things in our lives which can get in the way of our relationship with the Lord. Those things, whether it be a particular vice or a particular sin, becomes an obstacle, and without such time to discern and reflect upon these - to examine our lives - they will continue to grow, and to mutate into other vices.

So often, it is the trappings of the world which seem to get in the way of our relationship with the Lord. It's what Pope Francis calls 'spiritual worldliness'. The Holy Father describes this as "a subtle way of seeking one's own interests, not those of Jesus Christ". It takes on many and varied forms, and it is dangerous, as, ultimately, we trust only in ourselves and our own powers and our own agendas; our vocation to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to the world, and our commitment to help our brothers and sisters become irrelevant. In a very real way, we look at things from on high, disregarding everyone below us, even those who seek to help us.

The ox and the ass, which we place in our Nativity scenes this weekend, become quiet challengers to our spiritual worldliness. The ass, the animal of Jewish sacrifice, and the ox, the unclean animal symbolising the Gentiles (ourselves), remind us of our universality - that we are in this together. Just as sinfulness is communal, in other words, it has its effects on other people, so do the graces and the fruits that spring from our authentic relationship with the Lord. As we gaze upon the ox and the ass, let us pray for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our own lives, and the lives of our parish, as only the Lord can heal the worldliness that stifles us.

In an Emergency, call: 07805 696474 (24 hours)

Hospitals – Royal Gwent, St. Woolos & St. Cadoc's

If you know of anyone who is in hospital or about to go into hospital and would like to receive holy communion, please ring the parish office leaving the persons' name and ward details. Or contact the Hospital Chaplaincy on 01633 234234.

Home Visits

If you would like a sick visit at home or know somebody who would, you can now request a visit by calling the parish office; completing the 'Request a Sick Visit' form and handing it to a member of the Pastoral Team.

It is also possible to request a visit at home or in hospital by completing the 'Request a Sick Visit' form and handing it into the parish office or a member of the pastoral team. The form can also be completed online at <http://allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk/sick/>

This Week's Masses, Liturgies & Prayer

		<u>Vigil Masses of the Sunday</u>	
Saturday 8th December <i>Bible Sunday</i> <i>Retiring</i> <i>Collection: Sick & Retired</i> <i>Clergy Fund</i>	St. Mary	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions
		3.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.15pm
		4.30pm	Lena Evans Intentions.
	St. David Lewis	4.30pm	Holy Rosary
		5.00pm	+Pat Conway, +Joseph & Kevin Burke, Terrence Rose, Virginia Rose
	St. Gabriel	5.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5:20pm
		5.30pm	Sick of the Parish
	Ss. Basil & Gwladys	6.00pm	+Elizabeth & James O'Mahoney
	Ss. Julius, Aaron & David	6.30pm	Priests and deacons of the Parish
		9.00am	+Una McNulty
St. Anne	9.00am	Msza w j. polskim	
St. David	9.30am	+Noel Williams, +Frances Owen, +Alison Doogan (1 st Anniv.) Deceased members of Olander & Pocock family	
St. Mary			
St. Gabriel	10.00am	Patrick Foley	
St. Michael	10.45am	John Lester, +J.P. O'Flaherty, +Rose & Michael Clair, +Patrick Calvey	
St. David	11.00am	+Charles & Alice Luxton & Sons., Jenna Donley & Family.	
St. Julius the Martyr	11.15am	For the homeless	
Ss. Basil & Gwladys	11.30am	Ordinariate Mass	
St. Mary	4.00 pm	Evening Prayer & Benediction	
	6.00 pm	For peace in our time.	
Monday 10th <i>St. John Roberts</i>	St. Mary	9.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.45.
		9.30am	Holy Rosary
	St. Michael	9.30am	Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of Hours
	St. Mary	10.00am	Albert Abdie, +Jane Shewring, +Tanis Searson
	St. Anne	6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 6.50pm
	7.00pm	Holy Souls	
Tuesday 11th <i>St. Damasus I</i>	St. Mary	7.30am	+Linda Chambers
		9.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.45am
	St. Anne	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Morning Devotions
	St. Mary	9.30am	Holy Rosary
		10.00am	+Ann Hamber, +Michael Marengi, Giuseppina Drenzo, +Angelina Vellucci
	St. David Lewis	10.00am	Divine Mercy Devotions
	St. Mary	6.00pm	Zimbabwean Community Prayer Group
	Ss. Basil & Gwladys	6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 6.50pm
	7.00pm	Pat Bowen Intention.	
Wednesday 12th <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	St. Mary	9.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.45am
		9.30am	Holy Rosary
		10.00am	Requiem Mass for Claire Roberts
		10.30am	Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of Hours
	St. Julius, Aaron & David	10.00am	Idras & Lilian Skillern
	St. Michael	6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 6.50
		7.00pm	For all who care for the sick
Thursday 13th <i>St. Lucy</i>	St. Mary	9.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.45am
		10.00am	+Elizabeth (Betty) Kilbane, +Michael Savage, +Maureen Lyons.
	St Gabriel	10.00am	People of the Parish
	St. David Lewis	6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 6.50pm
		7.00pm	For Pope Francis
Friday 14th <i>St. John Of the Cross</i>	St. Mary	9.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.45am
		9.30am	Holy Rosary
		10.00am	+Peter Wright, +Hazel Morelli, +Maureen Lyons, Margaret Slevin, Deceased members of Slevin Family.
	Tovey's Chapel	11.00am	Funeral Service for Alverton (Jim) James
	St. Julius the Martyr	10.00am	For refugees around the world
	Ss. Basil & Gwladys	12.00pm	Funeral Service for Lilian Brown.
	St. Mary	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed for the Holy Souls
	St. David	6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 6.50pm
		7.00pm	+Special Intentions.
Saturday 15th	St. Mary	9.30am	Holy Rosary
		10.00am	Deceased members of the O'Neil & Glover family, +Terry Ryan, +Queenie Goff.
		10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.45am
		3.30pm	Sacred Heart Devotions

Don't forget to bring the Baby Jesus figures from your nativity scenes for blessing this weekend!

Vigil Masses of the Sunday

St. Mary	4.30pm	+Hannie Hanley
St. David Lewis	4.30pm	Holy Rosary
	5.00pm	+Russell John Jenkins, +Anne & Malcolm Grace, Terrence Rose, Virginia Rose
St. Gabriel	5.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5.20pm
	5.30pm	Dennis Ford, A.G. & C. Tanner.
Ss. Basil & Gwladys	6.00pm	Aunty Dorothy Wilkins.
Ss. Julius, Aaron & David	6.30pm	

Sunday 16th	St. Anne	9.00am	Hobbs Family, Sian O'Donovan
<i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	St. David	9.00am	Msza w j. polskim
	St. Mary	9.30am	+Orlindo Vellucci, +Peggy Catlin
Don't forget to bring the Baby Jesus figures from your nativity scenes for blessing!	St. Gabriel	10.00am	Patrick Foley
	St. Michael	10.45am	Danny O'Carroll, Ann Ryan
	St. David	11.00am	+Ann Monaghan, +Bill Casey, Special Intention.
	St. Julius the Martyr	11.15am	John & Julia Hurley
	Ss. Basil & Gwladys	11.30am	Ordinariate Mass
		4.00pm	Evening Prayer & Benediction.
		6.00pm	+Mary & Michael Elliott, +Michael McCann

What's on this week

Monday 10th December :
 2.00pm Monday Club at St. Gabriel's
 10.30am Line Dancing at St. David Lewis
 7.30pm St. David's Folk Choir practice in the Sacristy

Tuesday 11th December :
 10.00am Divine Mercy & Talent Sharing at St. David Lewis.
 10.00am Tuesday Club at St. Anne's.
 7.15pm Bingo at St. Gabriel's

Wednesday 12th December :
 2.00pm Bereavement Drop in Group meet in St. Michael's Hall
 2.00pm Sugar n' Spice meet in St. Mary's Institute.
 7.30pm Line Dancing at St. David Lewis

Thursday 13th December :
 10.30am Line Dancing at St. David Lewis.
 8.00pm Quiz Night in St. Mary's Institute.

Friday 14th December :

Saturday 15th December :
 St. Gabriel's Charismatic group meeting.
 3.30pm Sacred Heart Devotions at St. Mary's
 Parish day of Reconciliation
 Mulled Wine and Coffee evening at St David Lewis.

Sunday 16th December :
 Bambellini Sunday. Bring your Baby Jesus to be blessed.
 5.00pm St. Mary's Folk Choir Practice

Dates for the diary

Monday 17th December :
 All Saints ***Nine Lessons and Carols*** in St Mary's. 7.00pm
 Followed by refreshments, in St Mary's Institute.

Saturday 22nd December :
 All day Adoration and opportunity for Reconciliation



Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died recently.

Please also remember in your prayers Fr James Siemens, Terrence Rose, Peter Okwusogu, Angela Parry (Pisani), Anne Reynolds, Sr. Denise, Gerald Walker, Helen Hathaway, Eddie Burke, Jeanette Bassett, John Ryan, Pat Bowen, Nanna Cozzi, Sion Meredith, Lena Evans, Daniel Gabriel, Monica Pugsley, Denis O'Carroll, James Routley, Catherine Wenegrieme, and all the sick at home or in our hospitals, and all who care for them. To add a request please contact the Parish Office by calling 01633 265533.

Advent Journey

Advent comes from the Latin word meaning, '*coming*'. During Advent, we have the opportunity to prepare for Jesus' coming: it is a season of joy and expectation. We have opportunities to prepare for the joyous season of Christmas.

Mornings of Recollection

On the Saturdays during Advent, there is the opportunity to participate in a morning of recollection, and spiritually prepare for the coming of the Lord. The format for Saturday morning will change slightly to accommodate this:

10:00am – Holy Mass

10:30am – Reflection on the theme of the day

11:10am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11:45am – Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

The sacrament of Reconciliation will continue to be celebrated from 10:30am to 11:45am, as usual.

Themes for Saturdays in December:

Saturday, 15th December – *“My joy may be in you, and your joy may be complete”*

Nine Lessons and Carols will take place Monday, 17th December, beginning at 7:00pm, followed by mulled wine and minced pies in the Institute. The service will include singing by children from the primary schools in our parish.

Bambinelli Sunday is 16th December – During Masses this weekend, the priests will bless the baby Jesus from your cribs at home. Please bring to Mass over this weekend.

St. Stephen's Day Mass for Altar Servers – join our Altar Servers as they renew their commitment to service at the Altar. **26th December 2018 – 11.00am** at St. Mary's.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

As well as the usual opportunity to experience the mercy of the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, from Monday, 3rd December, at St. Mary's, a priest will be available to hear Confessions between 09:00am to 09:45m, Monday to Friday.

During the weekday, in the other churches around the parish, the sacrament of Reconciliation is available half an hour before, for twenty minutes.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at St. Mary's between 10:30am and 4:30pm on **Saturday, 22nd December**. There will be Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament throughout the day; an opportunity to spend time with the Lord in the immediate lead-up to the Christmas season.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

10.00am	St. Mary's – the last Mass of Advent
	Vigil Mass for Christmas
6.00pm	St. David's (Family Mass)
6.00pm	St. Gabriel's (Family Mass)
6.00pm	St. Mary's (Family Mass)
7.00pm	St. Michael's
7.30pm	St. Anne's
7.30pm	Ss. Basil & Gwladys
9.00pm	St. Mary's
10.00pm	Msza w j. polskim – St. David's
	12.00 MIDNIGHT - MASS OF CHRISTMAS NIGHT
	St. Mary's

Christmas Day

9.00am	St. David Lewis
9.30am	St. Mary's
10.00am	Ordinariate Rite Mass – Ss. Basil & Gwladys
10.00am	St. Gabriel's
10.30am	St. Julius the Martyr
11.00am	Ss. Julius, Aaron & David – Caerleon
	NO EVENING MASS