

# St Frances of Rome

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## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018

O Lord, drive away the darkness from our minds with the light of your wisdom, so that enlightened in this way we may serve you with renewed purity. The beginning of the sun's passage through the sky marks the beginning of the working-day for us mortals; we ask you, Lord, to prepare in our minds a place where the day that knows no end may give its light. Grant that we may have within us this light, the life of the resurrection, and that nothing may take away our delight in you. Mark us with the sign of that day that does not begin with the movement and the course of the sun, by keeping our minds fixed on you.

In your sacraments we welcome you every day and receive you in our bodies. Make us worthy to experience within us the resurrection for which we hope. By the grace of Baptism, we conceal within our bodies the treasure of your divine life. This treasure increases as we eat at the table of your sacraments. Let us rejoice in your grace. We have within us, Lord, a memorial of you, which we receive at your spiritual table; may we possess the full reality in the life to come.

*Saint Ephraem*

Mass Times & Intentions				
20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 19 <sup>th</sup> August 2018		Vigil Mass 6.00 pm	<i>Sheila O'Neil</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00 am	<i>Bill Harris</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	<i>Peter Kelly St Bernard</i>	Monmouth
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00 am *	<i>Martina Walsh St Pius X</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00 am *	<i>John Olszewski Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Monmouth
		6.30pm	<i>Rosary</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 am	<i>John &amp; Ann Webb</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	<i>Special intention St Bartholomew</i>	Monmouth
* NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIMES Saturday morning Mass at Usk Prison				
Sacrament of Reconciliation Monmouth: Saturday evenings at 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm Ross-on-Wye: Tuesday evenings at 6.15 pm to 6.45 pm				
21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2018		Vigil Mass Saturday 6.00 pm	<i>Murphy &amp; Cookson families</i>	Monmouth
		9.15 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>	Monmouth
		11.00 am	<i>O'Connor family</i>	Ross-on-Wye
Contributions to the newsletter to: <a href="mailto:stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com">stmarysrc.editor@gmail.com</a> by 12 noon Thursday please and <a href="mailto:stfrances.editor@gmail.com">stfrances.editor@gmail.com</a> (St Frances of Rome, Ross-on-Wye)				

HYMNS	
820	
610	
627	
652	

Offertory 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	
Envelopes	£83.40
Loose plate	£142.75
Other	£27.04
Total	£253.19

**SICK PARISHIONERS:** Please remember in your prayers: *Rita Katrak, Ivan Merritt, Claire Niven, Paul Bennett, Bridgit Frankland, Eileen & Roger Crosby, Margaret Collinson, Neil Hillyer, Kathy O'Connor, Mary McCrory, Fausta Scarand, Janet and Andrew Baily, Margarete Denton, Eithne Holcom, Pat Fennesy, Charles Reeve-Tucker and Francis Charnock.*

**Anniversaries:** *Bridget Geen, Sean Preston, Joan Fleming, Luigi Janetta, Mary Drinkwater, Thomas Flay, Joan Sykes, Ann Champion, Lynda Morgan, Joan Sykes, Gwyneth Wise, Maureen Rickerby, Winifred Burns, Maurice Murray.*

**THE SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING GROUP** will meet again after Mass on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Please come along to discuss a programme of social events for the next few months. If you cannot come to the meeting but have some ideas, please let Jan Wheeler know on 01989 565042 or email them to: [jandjwheeler15@gmail.com](mailto:jandjwheeler15@gmail.com)

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR THE MONTH:** That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

**DAY OF REFLECTION - LLANTARNAM ABBEY – Saturday, 1 September (11-4).** Four years ago, **Pope Francis** established 1 September as the [World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation](#), encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. All welcome.

**ST JOHN KEMBLE PILGRIMAGE – TODAY – 19 AUGUST 2018**

**Day of Reflection 1st September Saturday at Belmont Abbey.**

A Parish Day of Reflection has been organised by the Padre Pio Prayer group and the theme will be **'The Eucharist'**.

- The discussions and main sections of the programme will be led by Abbot Paul.
- The day will commence at 10.00am for 10.30am.
- Please bring a packed lunch. Sandwiches can be purchased, or hot meals will also be available. **It is important to pre-order any hot meals by Tuesday 28th August.** (menu available).
- Please sign the list at the back of church or email **Honor** [honor.houghton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:honor.houghton@hotmail.co.uk) or **Neil** Waring: [n.f.w@btconnect.com](mailto:n.f.w@btconnect.com) - by Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August so that we can have an idea of the final numbers.

**TODAY IS WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY**

"Every year on World Humanitarian Day, we shine a spotlight on the millions of civilians around the world whose lives have been caught up in conflict."  
- UN Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres.

Rotas	Readers	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Tea & Coffee
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018</b>	Josie O'Driscoll	Maureen, Lynne, Claire	Lynne
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday 26<sup>rd</sup> August 2018</b>	Maureen R-T	Honor, Aidan, Joan	Marie C

**Save the date: LIVESIMPLY SHARED LUNCH** and afternoon of discernment after 11 am Sunday Mass in Ross on Sunday 14th October.

**TEAS & COFFEES**

are served every Sunday after Mass in the parish room. Newcomers & visitors are most welcome to come and join us.