

## Mass Times for Week 2<sup>nd</sup> May to 10<sup>th</sup> May 2009

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	6.00pm	Mass - Alice Haswell	Monmouth
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	9:15am	Mass - Eunice Duffield	Monmouth
	11:00am	Mass - People of the Parish	Llanarth
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>10.00am</b>	Mass - Agnes Lewis' Welfare Beatified Martyrs of England & Wales	Monmouth
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15am	Mass - G. A. Watkins	Monmouth
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> May	10:30am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth
Thur 7 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15am	Mass - Val Phillips	Monmouth
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15am	Mass - Clare Ross	Monmouth
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> May	10:30am	Mass - Teresa & Benjamin Rees	Monmouth

(Please note the change of time for Mass on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May)

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup> May	6:00pm	Mass - People of the Parish	Monmouth
Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15am	Mass - Haemmerli Family Intention	Monmouth
	11:00am	Mass - Eileen Pratt	Llanarth

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturdays 11 - 11.30am

# St Mary's Catholic Church, Monmouth

with

## St Mary & St Michael, Llanarth

(Parishes of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. Registered No: 242380)

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Contemplating the mystery of the Eucharist, which expresses in a sublime way the free gift of the Father in the Person of his Only Begotten Son for the salvation of mankind and the full and docile readiness of Christ to drink to the dregs the 'cup' of the will of God (cf. Mt 26:39), we can more readily understand how '*faith in the divine initiative*' models and gives value to the '*human response.*' In the Eucharist, that perfect gift which brings to fulfilment the plan of love for the redemption of the world, Jesus offers himself freely for the salvation of mankind. 'The Church', my beloved predecessor John Paul II wrote, 'has received the Eucharist from Christ her Lord not as a gift - however precious - among so many others, but as the gift *par excellence*, for it is the gift of himself, of his person in his sacred humanity, as well as the gift of his saving work' (Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 11).

An extract from a Message of the Holy Father  
For the 46<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
From the Vatican January 2009

**St. Donat's Chamber Choir and ContraBand**

An evening of European Music of the Renaissance period will take place here, at St. Mary's RC Church, on Friday evening 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm. ContraBand consists of four musicians who play a wide variety of early music on period instruments.

**New Covenant Envelopes**

The present covenant envelopes expire on 31<sup>st</sup> May. The new envelopes, dated from 7<sup>th</sup> June, are now available. Please pick them up from the back of the church. (They are boxed in alphabetical order but please note that the covenant numbers have changed.) If there are any new parishioners to the parish who wish to join the covenant scheme, or who would like further information, please contact Pat Munday. Covenants are a great source of income for the church at no extra cost to the donor.

**CAMEO**

The next meeting is on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30p.m. in the Priory rooms. Superintendent David Johnson will speak on the new policing arrangements for Monmouth. The talk will be followed as usual by questions, coffee and biscuits. All are welcome.

**Red Boxes (Monmouth & Llanarth)**

Will holders of APF Red Boxes please leave them at the back of the Church for emptying. Please make sure your name is on the label at the bottom of the box. Thank you for all your kind donations to the Red Boxes throughout the year. Without your generosity many people would not get the help they need.

**Parish Development Project**

Your practical help with moving and painting as a **VOLUNTEER** is welcome. Lists are available in the church to indicate your availability. Many thanks

**Social & Fund Raising Committee**

Father Nicholas and the Social & Fund Raising Committee would like you to joining them on 23<sup>rd</sup> May for strawberries and bubbly in the garden after the 6.00pm Mass (weather permitting) for a last chance to use our garden before it becomes a building site. Out with the old and in with the new. No charge but donations would be gratefully received. Thank you. Hope to see you there.

Please also make a date in your diary for 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009. We are having a Ceilidh with Mr Wheelock and band at Bridges Community Centre at 7.30pm with refreshments. This is one of our bigger events this year (not as big as the Promises Auction) so please if you can support us in whatever way you can we would be delighted. The other big event is the Bazaar in November. We also have some smaller events which we will inform you of a little later on. The aim of the committee this year is to try to raise around £4,000/£5,000, with your help. Many thanks.

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Please remember in your prayers all the members of our parish who are sick and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Date	Eucharistic Minister	Reader	Welcomer
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Mrs Patricia Hill Mrs Mary Boase	Dr P-J Shaw Children's Mass	Mr & Mrs R, Derricott Children of the Parish
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> May Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Mrs Frances David Mrs Frances	Mrs Anne May Mrs M. Williams	Don & Ann Harvey Wilf & Pat Tampling

**Newsletter Items:** Please contact Pat Munday by mid-day Thursday for any items to be included.