

St Mary's Catholic Church, Monmouth
and
St Mary & St Michael, Llanarth

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Our busy and over-active intellect, when employed in this lower world, makes distinction of early and later between things separated by intervals of time. But how can we suppose this to apply to the uncreated existence, 'before all ages'? It is in this uncreated sphere that those wonderful realities, with their wonderful names of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, are thought of as existing. For there we think of the Father, without beginning, without generation and always Father; and with him comes the conception of the Son, without any interval of separation; and through the Son and with him, in inseparable conjunction, the Holy Spirit is thought of as existing without the interposition of any idea of an empty and insubstantial gap. He is not subsequent in existence to the Son, as if the Only-begotten could even be conceived as being without the Spirit. The Spirit derives his being from Supreme God, whence comes the being of the Only-begotten Light; and through that true Light the Spirit has shone forth, not being divided from the Father and the Son either by temporal interval or by diversity of nature. There are not intervals in the sphere of existence 'before the ages': nor are there any differences of being.....

Gregory of Nyssa

Collections for week ending 31/5/09

Church	Covenants	Loose	Papers	Candles
Monmouth	£126.80	£210.79	£22.03	£28.53
Llanarth	£100.00	£149.07	-	-

Dates for your Diary

- 17th July. A Ceilidh with Mr Wheelock & Band, with refreshments, at Bridges Community Centre at 7.30pm.

Conservation of Tintern Abbey (1750 to Present)

An illustrated talk by Rick Turner, Inspector of Ancient Monuments CADW will take place on Saturday 13th June at 2.30pm at Llandogo Church. Please contact The Friends of our Lady of Tintern 01600 775656 to confirm venue.

An evening of Andalusian dance, song and guitar

A flamenco group, Jaleo, will be performing at the Borough Theatre, Abergavenny at 7:30 p.m. on Friday 19th June. Tickets cost £14 (concessions £12). This could be an opportunity for those going on the pilgrimage to Andalucia to spend an enjoyable evening together in preparation for our trip in October. However, anyone else who is interested would also be very welcome. If you would like to come please contact Julie Lunt by Friday 5th June.

100 Club

Winners of the 100 club draw held at CAMEO on 2nd June 2009 were:

- 1st Prize £100 No.93 - Sheila Elverson
- 2nd Prize £25 No.66 - Carmel Lamb
- 3rd Prize £25 No.3 - Bozena Tytko

Parish Development Project

- Thanks to our many volunteers the church, presbytery and communal area have all been cleared to allow the project to start on time on 1st June.
- In the interests of safety and security the premises are now padlocked.
- The electrical work to upgrade the reliability of our church lighting has already been completed. The next stage is plastering the walls where needed so they can dry out before re-decoration.
- We have received a £100 donation from the National Westminster Bank for which we thank the bank in these uncertain economic times.

Times for Mass are available weekly in the Newsletter and on the parish website www.monmouth-catholic.org.

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

Message from the SVP

This year the **Parish Community Mass and Tea** will be held at Bridges Community Centre on Tuesday 7th July at 2.30 p.m. This event is organised primarily for people who find it too difficult to get to church, but all parishioners and their friends are welcome. There will be **more details soon** but, in the meantime, if you know of someone who doesn't know about this Mass and tea, and would like to come, please tell us.

Our Grateful Thanks are extended to Monmouth Boys School for the use of their church during our 'vacation' of our own premises. The only weekend when this will not be possible is Saturday (27th June) and Sunday (28th June). On this weekend mass on Saturday 27th will be in St. Mary's **Priory Church** and on Sunday 28th in the **Priory Rooms**.

LLANARTH NEWS

Pentecost at Llanarth - Many thanks to all who contributed to our Pentecost celebrations by preparing the church so beautifully and providing such a wonderful lunch!

Faith-sharing group(s) - This week's meeting is 'A Journey with St Paul' at 7:30p.m. on Tuesday at Church Farm. All welcome.

Church Restoration Appeal - Please take some leaflets from the back of the church and pass on to friends who might be interested in supporting our appeal. Michael has produced some beautiful cards and framed pictures of our church. Place your orders now!

Newsletter - We are trialling a monthly newsletter which will contain more detailed information of our events and news. This will be supplemented by updates in the weekly Monmouth and Llanarth newsletter. Copies of the June newsletter are at the back of the church - please take one. If you have any feedback or contributions for next month, please pass on to Julie. Many thanks.

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. 6 th June Sun. 7 th June	Mrs Kath Fallon Mrs Carmel Lamb	Mrs E. Allcock Children's Mass	Mrs Elizabeth Allcock Children of the Parish
Sat. 13 th June Sun. 14 th June	Volunteer Please Mrs Helen Quinn	Mr Sean Dunne Mrs Babs Jones	Mr & Mrs Derricott Mrs Babs Jones

Mass Times for Week 6th June to 14th June 2009

Sat 6 th June	6.00pm	Mass - Stuart Brock	Monmouth Boys School
Sun 7 th June	9:15am	Mass - People of the Parish	Monmouth Boys School
	11:00am	Mass - Robert Warner	Llanarth
Mon 8 th June	No Mass		
Tue 9 th June	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention	Bridges Centre (Wye Room)
Wed 10 th June	10:30am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth
Thur 11 ^h June	7.00pm	Mass - Special Intention St. Barnabas	St Mary's Priory Room
Fri 12 th June	10.30am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth
Sat 13 th June	No Morning Mass		

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Sun. 14 th June	9:15am	Mass - Special Intention	Monmouth Boys School
	11:00am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth

Please note daily venues and change of times during the 'vacation' of the church

Directions for Llanarth Church:

Leave Monmouth on A40 dual carriageway travelling through tunnel, "Services' on left and shortly afterwards take left slip lane onto A40 dual carriageway for Raglan/Abergavenny. Raglan Castle on right hand side, then, at first roundabout, take 4th turning, (marked Clytha) that is the turning after the continuation of A40 dual carriageway.

Continue on unnumbered road passing Raglan Garden Centre (left hand side), carry on to Clytha Arms (on right), down hill (about half a mile) take right turn for Llanarth. After about a mile you will see in front of you an imposing archway into Llanarth Court grounds continue on this private road (beware the 'sleeping policemen') eventually taking a right fork to the car park in front of the imposing former Estate House/Catholic School and to the steps leading down to the church.