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*St Mary & St Michael, Llanarth*

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**The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**  
**(Corpus Christi)**  
14<sup>th</sup> June 2009

Do not, then, regard the bread and wine as nothing but bread and wine, for they are the body and blood of Christ as the master himself has proclaimed. Though your senses suggest otherwise, let faith reassure you.

You have been taught and fully instructed that what seems to be bread is not bread, though it appears to be such to the sense of taste, but the body of Christ; that what seems to be wine is not wine, though the taste would have it so, but the blood of Christ; that David was speaking of this long ago when he said, "Bread strengthens the heart of man that he may make his face glad with oil" (Ps 103:15). So strengthen your heart by partaking of that spiritual bread, and gladden the face of your soul.

May you unveil it with conscience undefiled, and reflect the glory of the Lord, and pass from glory to glory in Christ Jesus our Lord. To him be honour, power and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Real Presence through the ages*  
*Michael L. Gaudoin-Parker*

## Collections for week ending 7/6/09

Church	Covenants	Loose	100 Club	Dev. Fund	Cameo
Monmouth	£152.50	£144.41	£150.00	£3,005.00	£49.00
Llanarth		£137.21			

### Second Collection

Please note that the second collection, taken at the end of the month, usually set aside for the Parish Development Fund, will be for Peter's Pence and therefore, the PDF collection will be taken next week (21<sup>st</sup> June).

### Mass Cards

A small selection of Mass Cards is available from Ann Harvey or Pat Munday.

### Children's Liturgy

Please note that there will be no Children's Liturgy today (Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>).

### Congratulations

Our very best wishes are extended to Callum Davies who is making his **First Holy Communion** today Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June.

Also a big welcome to James Benedict Pearce Tonkin who is being **Christened**.

### A Ceilidh,

To be held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, with Mr Wheelock & Band, at Bridges Community Centre at 7.30pm. This will be our biggest fund raiser of the year. Adults £10, Youths 12/18 years £5 and children under 12 free. This includes a Ploughman's Supper. Ideally we need to sell 100 tickets so please ask your family and friends to come along. Tickets will be available after all Masses next week and the following four weeks.

### Parish Development Project

As the development works progress so do our fund raising efforts. Since April we have raised over £15,000 from all sources. So far we have the benefit of 45 active parish pledges (versus 71 last year) because annual or one-off pledges are down from 28 to 3 while monthly and weekly pledges are robust. Thanks for a magnificent effort to date.

Please note that the next monthly collection for the development fund will be on 20 / 21 June.

### Genesis & Us

The next meeting/discussion will be held again in St. Mary's Priory at 7.30pm next Thursday (18<sup>th</sup> June). Following immediately after 7.00pm Mass.

### Deanery Corpus Christi Event

Next Sunday (21<sup>st</sup> June) a Corpus Christi event will be celebrated in the grounds of St. Joseph's Convent, Llantarnam at 3.00pm. This will be for the deaneries of Newport and North Gwent. All are welcome.

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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.

## 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 (P-J Shaw).

**Our Grateful Thanks** are extended to Monmouth Boys School for the use of their church during the 'vacation' of our own premises.

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## LLANARTH NEWS

**Faith-Sharing Group(s)** - This week's meeting is 'Lectio Divina' at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday at Church Farm. All welcome.

**Parish Day of Recollection** - Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 10.00 am -4.00pm., at Lindors Country House Hotel, on the theme of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The cost is £18.50 per person which includes tea, coffee and two course lunch. We need to confirm numbers this week, so please sign up if you would like to come. Cheques should be made payable to 'St Mary & St Michael, Llanarth'. Please give to Clarissa or Julie before the day. Directions to Lindors are on the noticeboard.

**Music Practice** - There will be a short music practice after Mass next Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> June to learn a few new hymns for anyone who is interested and available to stay.

**Church Restoration Appeal** - In aid of our current appeal, framed photographs of our beautiful Llanarth church are available in all different sizes. Also blank greeting/note cards. Please consult the notice board for details or contact Michael Woodward. Also please take some appeal leaflets from the back of the church and pass on to friends who might be interested in supporting.

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

Date	Eucharistic Minister	Reader	Welcomer
Sat.13 <sup>th</sup> June Sun.14 <sup>th</sup> June	Volunteer Please Mrs Helen Quinn	Mr Sean Dunne Mrs Babs Jones	Mr & Mrs Derricott Mrs Babs Jones
Sat.20 <sup>th</sup> June Sun.21 <sup>st</sup> June	Mr Peter Field Mr Roger Ruston	Mrs Kath Fallon Mrs M. Kelly	Ann & Don Harvey Mike & Patsy Thompson

# Mass Times for Week 13<sup>th</sup> June to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2009

Sat. 13 <sup>th</sup> June	6.00pm	Mass - Albert Harvey RIP	Monmouth Boys School
Sun.14 <sup>th</sup> June	9.15am	Mass - Special Intention	Monmouth Boys School
	11.00am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> June	No Mass		
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	Mass - Special Intention	Bridges Centre (Wye Room)
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> June	10:30am	Mass - Special Intention	Llanarth
Thur 18 <sup>h</sup> June	7.00pm	Mass - Special Intention	St Mary's Priory Room
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	10.30am	Mass - Special Intention <b>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	Llanarth
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> June	No Morning Mass		

## 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> June	6.00pm	Mass - Special Intention <b>Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>	Monmouth Boys School
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.