

All the Carols are on the Carol Sheet and will be announced for singing before Mass by number. The Mass Carol Numbers are on the board.

Penitential Rite: (Gathering Mass)

C. Kyrie eleison.
P. Kyrie eleison.

C. Christe eleison.
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C. Kyrie eleison.
P. Kyrie eleison.

C. **May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.**
AMEN

The Gloria (Lourdes)

Chorus

Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Holy Holy (Gathering)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth
Heaven and earth
are full of your glory Lord God of hosts.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed, blessed, is He who comes,
Blessed, blessed is He who comes;
Blessed is He,
Blessed is He,
Who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your death, O Lord,
We proclaim your death, O Lord,
And profess your resurrection
Until you come again.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.

The Great Amen (Lourdes)

Our Lady of Peace Parish, Newbridge

With Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith & Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca

Meditation

The Patriarchs and Prophets prayed for the coming of Christ in Bethlehem, and this first coming did not silence the groanings of creation. For, according to the words of the Apostle, which we have just heard, while man waited for the birth of Jesus in Judaea, the rest of the universe still waits for the revelation of Christ in His Church.

The mystery of Christmas therefore lays upon us all a debt and an obligation to the rest of men and to the whole created universe. We who have seen the light of Christ are obliged, by the greatness of the grace that has been given us, to make known the presence of the Saviour to the ends of the earth. This we will do not only by preaching the glad tidings of His coming, but above all by revealing Him in our lives. Christ is born to us today, in order that He may appear to the whole world through us. This one day is the day of His birth, but every day of our mortal lives must be His manifestation, His divine Epiphany, in the world which He has created and redeemed.

(Thomas Merton, Seasons of Celebration)



Please pray for...

All those who receive the Sacrament at home, those who are in any need and especially for:
Norah Pritchard, Stuart Coe, Jackie Heather, Kathleen Russell, Valerie Griffin, Jane Villa, Ken Randall, and Lisa Evans.
. If you would like to place someone on the list for prayers; please check they are willing for their name to appear here and forward their name to us.

Christmas Grace

Please take a copy of a Grace Before Christmas Dinner. Feel free to take a few and hand them around to others to use on Christmas Day.

Christmas Crib Offerings

This year's Crib Offerings will be sent to:
The Catholic Children's Society.
This society continues the work of caring for children who are physically, mentally or spiritually vulnerable.

HCPT Raffle

The Raffle tickets for the New Year HCPT Draw are available. These tickets sales directly help local groups and members of Group 737 will have TICKETS FOR SALE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCHES.
Many thanks to you all for your support of Group 737 throughout the Year!

The Year of the Word
'The God Who Speaks'



The Year of the Word celebrates the book by Pope Benedict XVI 'Verbum Domini'. It is worth reading and I encourage you all to do so, especially those who have ministries in the parish! There are copies available in the churches at a cost of £3.95. Do get your hands on a copy

Scripture Study Days, the Cornerstone, 10 am – 12 noon January 11th 2020 The Gospel of Matthew, Mrs. Sarah Beresford (The Catholic Bible School)

A word to consider:- 'WORD !....'

Food Banks

Thank you to all those who help with this. Please remember that the school holidays and the Christmas season are coming – this does put a lot of extra pressure on families! For those who would like to help but are not sure what items are needed a list has been prepared. Please take one.
Thank you 😊

Day Sundays A Weekdays 2	Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca	Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge	The Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith
<i>The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Eve</i> Crib Service - 4.30pm - The Sacred Heart - Pontllanfraith The Vigil Mass - 7.00pm - Our Lady of Peace. - Newbridge Christmas Day Morning Mass - 10.00am - Ss. Anthony & Clare - Risca <i>(Carols will be sung 30minutes before each Mass)</i>			
Thursday 26th St. Stephen, The First Martyr		10.00am Fr. John Meredith	
Friday 27th S. John Ap. & Ev.			10.00am <i>Priest's Int</i>
Saturday 28th Holy Innocents		10.00am <i>The Unborn Child</i>	
Sunday 29th The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	11.15am <i>Jackie Howells</i>	9.15am Joyce Alice Snow 5.30pm Carols & Readings	5.00pm (Sat) <i>Joseph & Barbara Sims</i>
Monday 30th 6th Day in the Christmas Octave			Rosary 10.30am 11.00am <i>Priest's Int</i>
Tuesday 31st 7th Day in the Christmas Octave	10.00am <i>Int. Sr. Anne McGuinness</i>		

January 1st 2020
Sol: Mary, The Holy Mother Of God
12.00 Noon – Our Lady of Peace
The Parish +

Sunday, 29th December
Carols and Readings
5.30pm
Refreshments after (No turkey – I promise!!)

Thought for the Week
A good plan today is better than a perfect plan tomorrow.

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“In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him.” John 1:1-3