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MASSES and INTENTIONS - Feb 2018				
Sat	17th	10.30am	Saturday after Ash Wednesday	Mary and John Cook
Sat	17th	6.00pm	1st SUNDAY OF LENT (Vigil)	Evelyn Davies RIP
Sun	18th	8.00am	1st SUNDAY OF LENT	John Harrison RIP
Sun	18th	10.00am	1st SUNDAY OF LENT	Henrich Sibik
Mon	19th	9.15am	1st Week of Lent	Agnes Manteufel (SVP)
Tue	20th	No Public mass		
Wed	21st	1.00pm	1st Week of Lent	Philip Cook (Maria & Audrey)
Thu	22nd	9.15am	THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE	Bill & Nora Mills
Fri	23rd	12.30pm	Stations of the Cross	
Fri	23rd	1.00pm	St. Polycarp Bishop and Martyr	McCriscian family
Fri	23rd	6.30pm	(Trad Rite)	Ferdinand Knapp (anniv.)
Sat	24th	10.30am	1st Week of Lent	Golden Wedding anniv. (Brodie)
Sat	24th	6.00pm	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT (Vigil)	Fr. Aidan - for recovery
Sun	25th	8.00am	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT	The Parish
Sun	25th	10.00am	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT	Irena & Jan Mazur and Suzanna and Zyzmut Iwanek

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) Saturday 11.00am - 12 noon

Please Pray For The Sick:		
Brenda Strouken	Petal O'Hea	
Joan Sheeran	Maria Meschi	Pat Morris
Lynne Howells	Velina Milson	Vince Hanna
Roy Bosworth	Keith Davies	Jenny Hughes
Ann Currie	Cynthia Barnett	Joan Colley
Winnie Doran	Flo Brown	Sonia Jones
Monika Wosiak	Alison Alder	Sheila Fawcett
Eileen Walker	Peggy Hall	Lukas Wosiak
Pat England	Neal Harries	Rory Schofield
Fr. Aidan	Bill McManus	

Lately Dead: Agnes Manteufel

During Lent, we are invited to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments, (especially on the Sundays of Lent); The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

Readings for this week		
Sunday	Year B	Psalter week 1
6.00pm	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Mary Amor Jane Gennard Angela Holmes	Ministers of the Word Sally Johns Helen Booth
8.00am	Frances Hetterley	Carola Morton
10.00am	Volunteer Thomas Kottuppallil Vera McHale	Stephen Booth

Mass Welcomers Rota
W/end 17th/18th February 2018
6.00pm Joan + Pauline
8.00am Maria Wright + Volunteer
10.00am Margaret Bubb + Peter Bowen
W/end 24th/25th February 2018
6.00pm Pat Maclean
8.00am Anne Doverman
10.00am Catherine Vaughan + Mary Barnacle

10th/11th Feb - Thank you		
1st	Running of the Parish	£566.30
2nd	Renovation	£266.83
	Standing Orders	£366

Remembrance		
Veronica Debollegui	Winifred Wilson	
Flora Constance Inglis	Margrit Ida Nethercolt	Veronica King

Lunch Club will meet this Monday at Cafe Bodega 12 noon.

Congratulations to Maureen and Rob Brodie on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Saturday.

CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day is next Friday 23rd of February. Please take your envelope and return with your donation, the weekend of 24/25th February or as soon as possible. Thank you. P.S. All donations are match funded by the Government. Also please see the note on the notice board from CAFOD about **Safeguarding Vulnerable People**.

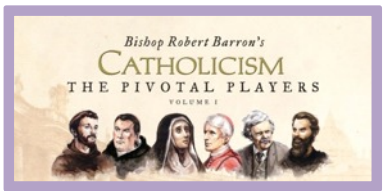
Every Friday through Lent, a soup lunch will be served in the Parish Hall after the 1pm Mass. All soups are home-made from fresh ingredients and are served with fresh rolls, fruit and cheeses followed by tea or coffee. A suggested donation of £2.50 is requested with all proceeds going to CAFOD. The last Lent lunches raised £453. Please do your best to support this event and enjoy the good company. Margaret and Jane.

HEREFORD HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY If you have a friend/relative or fellow parishioner in hospital and you know they would like to be visited by Fr. Matthew then please contact him with the details of the person concerned 01432 265177 or fr.matthew@live.co.uk.

WHAT CAN I DO FOR LENT?

Why not take advantage of a great opportunity this Lent to learn more about some of the **KEY FIGURES** in Church History?

Come along on the six Monday evenings of LENT to a DVD presentation of:
Bishop Robert Barron's
"CATHOLICISM – THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS"



Where: SFX Hall beside church
When: Mondays during Lent from February 19th
What time: 7pm until 8.30pm
What else: Tea/coffee and informal discussion
19 Feb: St. Francis of Assisi, 26 Feb: St. Thomas Aquinas,
5 Mar: St. Catherine of Siena, 12 Mar: Bl. John Henry Newman,
19 Mar: G. K. Chesterton, 26 Mar: Michelangelo
ALL WELCOME!

MISSIO BOXES Could all red box holders please bring in their boxes by 25th February for the Spring Collection.

Open Return Do you know when you're coming back, clerks at railway stations ask. Cheaper to travel back late, off peak. We can't always say. It's been so long. Lent marks a path, a return to Christ. By prayer, fasting and almsgiving we draw nearer to the author and perfecter of our faith. Fasting frees us from material concerns. In giving we reflect the provision of God. Prayer echoes his calling to us across the garden. The value of Lent is that the church calls us to do this together - through Mass, confession, talks and vigils - we buoy each other up. No one reaches redemption on their own. We rely on the shoulders and encouragement of others, the strength of grace made perfect in our weakness. The empty tomb marks our last and final stop; the resurrection an infinity of wonder beyond. Make sure you have all your baggage with you? No, not on this journey, leave it where it is. Lent helps us return to God, to choose life, walk through that open door. Distance is no problem, time of no consequence. A long journey for some, it matters not how long it takes. We have an open ended return. AM

200 Club The first draw of 2018 has taken place and the winners are 1st Margaret Booth £25; 2nd Brenda Williams £10; 3rd William Fawcett £5. It is not too late to join for 2018 but it soon will be! Contact Paul or Brenda today.

Would the following please collect their letter(s) from the Sacristy Mrs M Torres, Parents of Lena Rucka, Parents of Julian Jan Trzebuchowski, Joe Kiernan and Nick Sharma and Thomas Kottuppallil.

OTHER NOTICES

Choral Evensong by Hereford Cathedral Choir. Belmont Abbey on Sunday March 4th at 4pm.

Women's World Day of Prayer Friday 2nd March at St. John's Methodist Church in St. Owen Street at 11.00am.

Our Lady's parish Lent course – "Let it be done to me according to your word." A Lent course of 5 sessions, pondering how Mary helps us to be filled with God. Each session involves a video presentation, discussion, prayer and refreshments. Wednesdays of Lent beginning 21st February in the parish room at 7pm, and the next 4 Wednesday evenings. For more info see www.faithcafe.org

40 Days For Life is a silent, peaceful, prayer vigil in Cardiff and they need you as a volunteer to stand up for the unborn and perhaps save a mother from a lifetime of hurt or regret. Any time you can give would be welcome. Please see the notice at the back of the church for details, and remember these brave people in your prayers. If you would like to borrow a dvd where women speak of their experiences of pregnancy and abortion, please speak to Fr. Michael or Paul in the office.

Caritas Deanery Group meeting on Tuesday 20th February at 6.00pm, at Our Lady's. It is part of the World Day of the Poor initiative. This is open to all but may interest especially SVP members, eucharistic ministers, hospital visitors, those involved in foodbanks and any works undertaken in this area. Fr. Matthew.

This year the **Week of Prayer** for sufferers of Dementia and their carers is 12th-19th March. See notice board for details of events.

Catholic Charismatic Family Weekend 21st-22nd April 2018 - See poster at the back of the Church.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 19th Feb	10.00am	Tea and coffee. Parish Hall
Mon 19th Feb	12 noon	Lunch Club. Cafe Bodega
Mon 19th Feb	2.00pm	St. Anne's Guild
Thu 22nd Feb	10.00am	Tea and coffee. Parish Hall
Fri 23rd Feb	After 1pm	Lent Soup Lunch
	Mass	

WHAT'S COMING UP

Mon 26th Feb	10.00am	Tea and coffee. Parish Hall
Mon 26th Feb	12 noon	Lunch Club. Cafe Bodega
Mon 26th Feb	2.00pm	St. Anne's Guild
Thu 1st Mar	10.00am	Tea and coffee. Parish Hall
Thu 1st Mar	7.15pm	P.A.C. Parish Hall
Fri 2nd Mar	After 1pm	Lent Soup Lunch
	Mass	
Tue 13th Mar	7.00pm	Deanery Station Mass
		Our Lady's