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Diocese of Monmouth



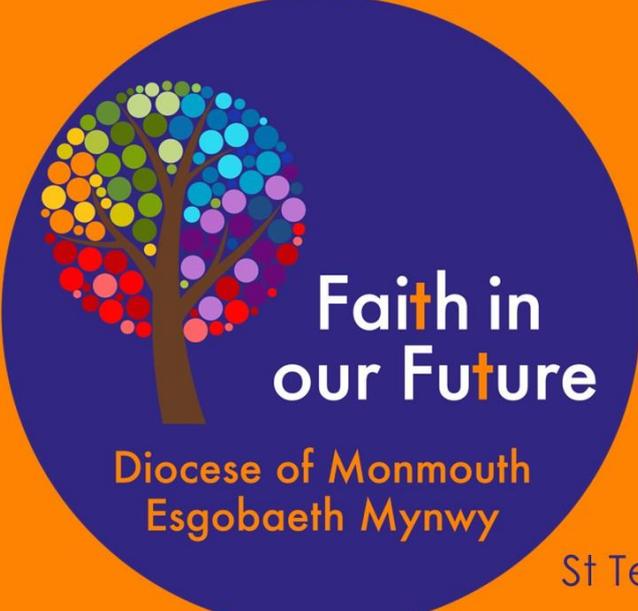
This email has been sent to all Clergy, PTOs, Churchwardens, Secretaries, Treasurers and all those on our weekly email list.

For Your Prayers

Please remember in your prayers this week our stipendiary and NSM clergy who are away on residential at Yarnfield Park, in Staffordshire. The theme for

their time away is 'Rejoicing in Hope' and they have a series of speakers and workshop leaders running sessions with them.

News



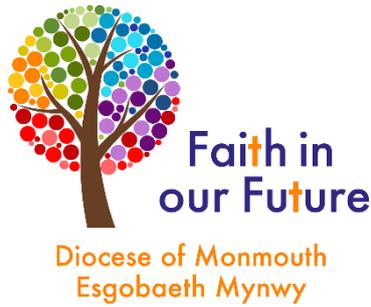
**Monmouth
Diocesan
Conference
2023**

**Saturday
21st October**

St Teilo's CiW High School

Diocesan Conference Papers

Conference members were sent the papers for this year's Diocesan Conference via email at the end of September. We are aware that some email accounts have had a problem receiving this communication, so *if you are a Conference member and have not yet received the papers*, please get in contact with the diocesan office on 01633 267490 or admin.monmouth@cinw.org.uk



Ecumenical and Interfaith Officer Announcement

We are delighted to announce that the Bishop of Monmouth has appointed Revd Canon Andrew Lightbown as Ecumenical and Interfaith Officer for the diocese.

Andrew was installed as Canon Residentiary at Newport Cathedral last year and will represent the Diocese of Monmouth as part of The Ecumenical and Interfaith Officers' Network (EION), convened by the Church in Wales.

Speaking about his appointment, he said: *"I am delighted to be appointed to this role."*



For the church to prosper, thrive, and serve its communities it is important that all people of goodwill, from across the denominational and faith spectrum, pull together, work together, and pray together. The diocese has a rich religious history and the time feels right to honour our past, encourage each other in the present, and move forward together with respect, as we seek to serve the communities to which we have all been called."

The bulk of the work is within the diocese itself with the main focus being on 'grass roots' work within the various local contexts. As a Cathedral Canon,

Andrew's first task will be to develop links in the city of Newport. Attending meetings of the EION will provide updates on more provincial matters and our work with ecumenical and interfaith partners here in Wales and across the world.



New Vicar for Liturgy and Worship

Last Thursday evening, Revd Marja Flipse was welcomed to East Cardiff Ministry Area as their new Vicar for Liturgy and Worship at a licensing service held in St Mellons. It was such a wonderful evening - thanks so much to all who played a part in the preparations!

Over the coming weeks, each of the congregations will have an opportunity to meet Marja as she gets to know the churches. Please continue to pray for Marja, and her husband Gareth, as they settle into East Cardiff life.

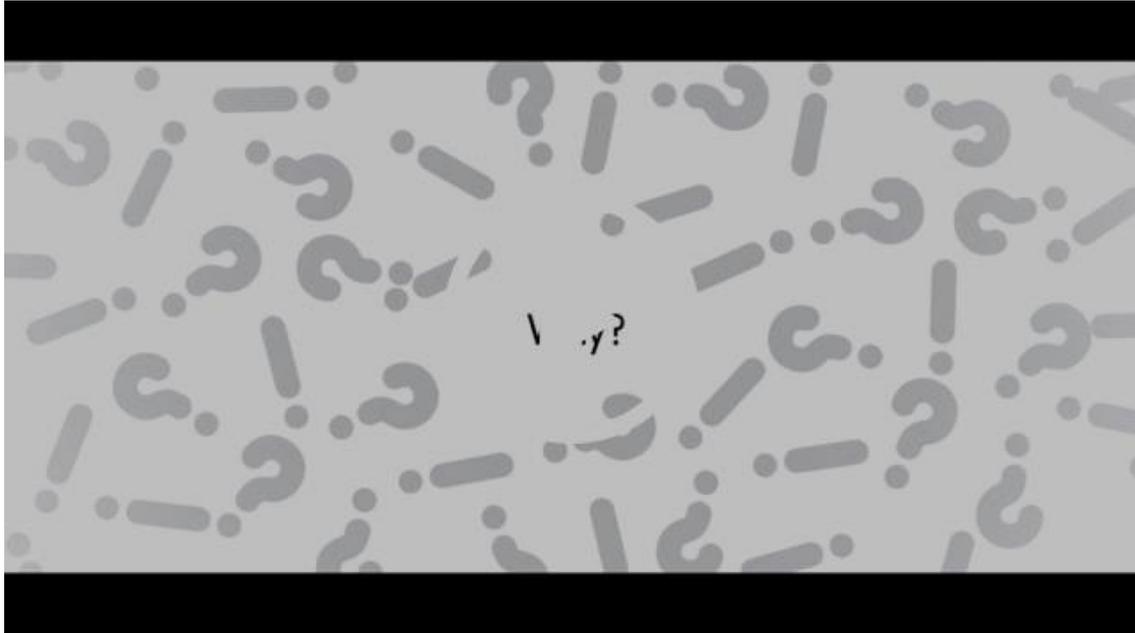


PRISONS WEEK A WEEK OF PRAYER

Prisons Week: 8th - 14th October 2023

For nearly 50 years, Prisons Week has invited the church to pray for those in prison, for victims of crime, prison staff and those in the criminal justice system; for family members and the wider community.

This Prisons Week, please pray for all those affected by crime and imprisonment, whose eyes may be cast down, that they might find the strength to look up.



Diocesan Link with The Highveld

On 19th November 2003, the Bishop of Monmouth and the Bishop of The Highveld (South Africa) signed an agreement, linking our two dioceses for five years. This link has been maintained for the past 20 years, with visitors back and forth, and at this month's Diocesan Conference, members will be voting for the link to be continued for another 5 years.

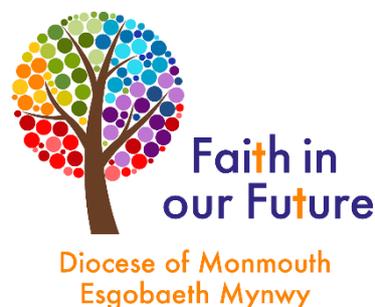
The aim of the link is:

- to strengthen mission and evangelism in the church communities of both dioceses
- to increase awareness of our solidarity in the cause of Christ
- to respect, and learn of and from each other's cultural heritage
- to enable the world to recognise more clearly God's mission

Many churches across our diocese have relationships with specific churches in The Highveld Diocese. You can see the list below.

St. Mary's Priory, Abergavenny **linked with** Church of Evander, Evander
St. Michael's, Bassaleg **linked with** St. Michael & All Angels, Boksborg
All Saints, Brynglas **linked with** Christ the Redeemer, Daveyton
St. Cadoc's, Caerleon **linked with** All Souls, Northmead
Holy Trinity, Christchurch **linked with** St. Mathias, Etwatwa
St. Mellons and Llanrymney **linked with** Meyersdal St. Francis, Alberton
St. Thomas, Maesglas **linked with** St. Peter's Brakpan
St Woolos Cathedral **linked with** St. Dunstan's, Benoni
St. Mark's, Newport **linked with** Vosloorus
St. Cadoc's, Raglan **linked with** St. Alban's, Daveyton
Ebbw Vale (2 links) **linked with** 1. All Souls, Embalenhle & 2. Nigel
St. Mary's, Magor **linked with** St. Boniface, Germiston
St. Mary's Malpas **linked with** Church of the Holy Name, Tembisa East
St. David's, Bettws **linked with** Christ the King, Tembisa West

Resources



Grants

Looking after church buildings and running successful mission and outreach projects takes money. We know that at some time or another, all churches need help with grant funding and fundraising. As a diocese we have a range of grant schemes which are overseen by our diocesan committees. We can also signpost to external funders.

Diocesan Grants

Churches can apply for the following grants every two years and their details can be found on our website [here](#). The next application deadline is the 15th of November.

- **Church Fabric & Church Hall** – apply for up to £5,000 for works to a church hall or £8,000 for a church building
- **Churchyard Improvement** – apply for up to £2,000 for works in a churchyard
- **Insurance Excess: Multiple Claims** – apply for up to £500 to cover your insurance excess if you are having to make a second claim within an 18-month period

We also have a Social Responsibility Fund. Churches can apply to this fund every year and there is no maximum limit for grant awards.

External funders

Depending on the requirements of your project, there are lots of external grant funding bodies. More details of these can also be found on the website.

For more information, help and advice please get in touch with Libby Morgan-Owen:

Phone - 07508 801511

Email - libbymorgan-owen@cinw.org.uk



Church Fundraising Webinar

To successfully fundraise for your church, it's important to look at different approaches to income generation, including partnership working, commercial options and major gift strategies.

Join Nick Moore from Philanthropy Company for advice on how to partner with other churches, charities and community groups to boost supporter audiences, as well as guidance on how to use church assets commercially and think bigger than congregational collections.

Live Stream: 10th October 2023, 10.30-11.30am

Length: 45 minute presentation followed by 15 minutes Q&A

This session is a useful reminder for those who have some experience with church fundraising, as well as those starting from scratch.

To register for the webinar, please follow this link: [Diversifying your Income Webinar](#)

Training and Events



PIONEER EVANGELISM CONFERENCE 27-NOV-2023



pioneerevangelism.vfairs.com



Pioneer Evangelism Conference, November 2023

We are excited to announce an upcoming Pioneer Conference for the Church in Wales, held on a virtual platform allowing you to join from where you are and accessible to all. The day will include inspirational talks from keynote speakers, workshops, opportunities to share ideas and pray about all things pioneering.

The hope is for the People of God to leave the conference inspired and equipped to go forth and contribute to the work of God's kingdom. Open to all the Church in Wales.

Speakers include:

Archbishop Andrew John and all Welsh Bishops, Bishop of Lancaster Jill Duff, Mandy Bayton, Jo Leslie ~ Evangelism Lead for Church Army, Rob Jones ~ Director of Pioneer Ministry, Church of Ireland, and Bishop Susan Bell ~ Bishop of Niagara to name but a few.

Date: 27th November 2023
Time: 12.00 midday –9.00pm
Location: Vfairs Virtual Platform

Book your place now:

<https://pioneerevangelism.vfairs.com/en>



Safeguarding Training Dates

The dates for the next safeguarding training sessions have been released and are as follows.

Module B Training Session:

- **Thursday 21st November**, 1pm, St Mary's Church, Marshfield, CF3 2UF

Details of the online training dates are available here: [Safeguarding training via Zoom - The Church in Wales](#).

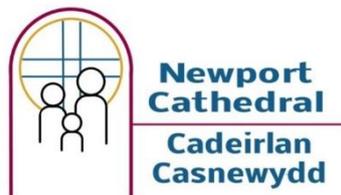
To register for a session, please use the webform here:

[Safeguarding Training Booking Form - The Church in Wales](#)
or contact the team via email safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk
or phone, 07376 199668.

Contact details for all of the safeguarding team can be found here,
[Meet the team - The Church in Wales](#)

Please note that the Provincial Safeguarding Officer for the Diocese of Monmouth is now Colin Taylor who can be contacted via email, colintaylor@cinw.org.uk or phone, 07956 790330.

Services



Join us for the service from the Cathedral this Sunday at 10:30am [here](#).

GYMANFA GANU
HYMN FEST
SONGS OF PRAISE
SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2023 at 2.00pm



A festival of hymn singing with English words to well-known Welsh hymn tunes!!

Organist: Dr Emma Gibbins
Newport Cathedral
Conductor: John Granger
St John's Church

Retiring collection in aid of church funds.
All music provided

St John the Evangelist Church,
Kensington Place, Maindee, NP19 8GL

Gymanfa Ganu

There is a festival of hymn singing with English words to well-known Welsh hymn tunes on **Saturday 14th October** at St John the Evangelist Church in Maindee. With organist Dr Emma Gibbins from Newport Cathedral and Conductor John Granger.

All welcome!

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Hydref 11
October 11
Dydd Mercher
/ Wednesday

6.30
pm / y.h.

Cadeirlan
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Newport
Cathedral

Gosber
Evensong

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November
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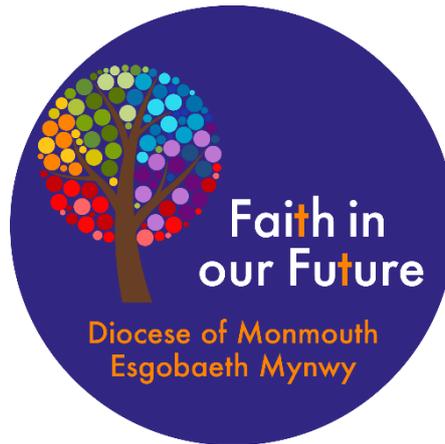
9.30
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St Thomas
Trefynwy /
Monmouth

Ewcharist: Sul
y Gofio
Eucharist:
Remembrance

Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Ruth Willis: ruth_willis05@hotmail.com
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Vacancies



Finance and Admin Assistants

We are looking to recruit three Finance and Admin Assistants.

- Are you a good team player with excellent people skills?
- Are you experienced working in admin and finance?
- Are you confident with a range of IT packages, including Word, Excel and Outlook?
- Do you have good organisational and time-management skills?

We'd love to hear from you!

The Diocese of Monmouth are looking to appoint three people to undertake general admin and finance systems support for groups of churches in South-East Wales. You will be based in a friendly office in Newport with occasional travel around the area.

The diocese is divided into three areas (known as archdeaconries) and each of the posts will be working with groups of churches in one of these areas:
Archdeaconry of Monmouth – The boundary of this area is roughly the same as the boundary for Monmouthshire.

Archdeaconry of Newport – Encompassing all of Newport and extending as far west as Cyncoed in east Cardiff.

Archdeaconry of the Gwent Valleys – Includes Torfaen, Blaenau Gwent and the eastern part of Caerphilly.

The three roles are all full-time and applications are welcome for either a specific archdeaconry or as a general application.

For more information, plus the job spec and application form, please visit the website:

<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/finance-and-admin-assistant-x-3/>

For an informal conversation please contact Libby Morgan-Owen on 07508 801511 or libbymorgan-owen@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing Date for Applications
Wednesday 8th November 2023

Interview Date
Tuesday 21st November 2023

Start Date (negotiable)
Monday 8th January 2023



Adran y Gaplaniaeth a Gofal Ysbrydol
Department of Chaplaincy & Spiritual Care

Chaplaincy

An exciting opportunity has arisen to work with the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board chaplaincy team through our resource bank.

Bank chaplains are free to choose when they would like to work (either a full or part time shift) fitting in with other work/ministry area and family commitments.

Bank chaplains will receive training, supervision and support and will have an opportunity to grow their understanding of the broader aspects of ministry in a non-church setting.

Healthcare chaplaincy is person-centred, sharing an individual's journey through the challenges and uncertainty of illness and supporting them pastorally, spiritually and religiously as they request.

Chaplains in ABUHB also have a strong tradition of supporting our staff in the workplace through wellbeing activity and the department is looking to build on our success with new ideas and projects.

Bank chaplaincy is a great opportunity to learn new skills in ministry, develop confidence in emergency and crisis situations and explore possibilities for the future.

There will be opportunities to share in the full range of chaplaincy work, including emergency on-call.

Payments will reflect AfC Band 6.

For more information or an informal visit contact the chaplaincy service manager, Alan Tyler on 01633 234263.

House for Duty Priest - St Illtyd

Is God calling you to South Wales and the welcoming communities of the Valleys?

Are you **collaborative in nature**, able to recognise the many talents and gifts of laity?

Are you **community minded**, able to engage with people of all ages, inside and outside the church, and be a visible part of the local community?

Are you **caring** with a strong pastoral heart and passion for encouraging the congregations in discipleship, and building a strong unity in Christ?

Are you **forward and outward looking** with a creative approach to ministry and outreach?

Based in the upper Eastern Valley you will be part of a supportive Ministry Team.

We hope for a Priest who will:

- Respect our sacramental tradition but broaden our horizons.
- Communicate the Gospel in an inclusive and engaging way.
- Relish working as part of a team.
- Enjoy supporting and developing small churches.
- Laugh at themselves and with others.

We are striving to be an inclusive diocese and would welcome applications from all suitably qualified clerics.

For an informal conversation please contact Fr Dominic McClean, Ministry Area Leader on (01495) 304919 or frdominic86@gmail.com

Application form and full profile available at
<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/house-for-duty-priest-st-illtyd-ministry-area-september/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:
archdeacon.gwentvalleys@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Monday 30th October 2023

Interviews TBC

House for Duty Priest - North Monmouthshire

We are looking for a collaborative and caring priest with a genuine passion for working with others, lay and ordained, in a beautiful part of Wales.

Based in the lovely village of Llanddewi Rhydderch and primarily working with churches around that area, you will also be part of the Ministry Team covering the new ministry area of North Monmouthshire which has 17 churches.

We hope for a Priest who will be:

- ❖ **Caring** - has a strong pastoral heart and passion for encouraging the members of each of the congregations in discipleship
- ❖ **Collaborative in nature** - working well with the Ministry Team, lay and ordained, within the ministry area and is a good team player
- ❖ **Community focussed** - being a visible presence in the ministry area
- ❖ **Engaging** - has energy and commitment to engage with the local communities and is sympathetic to the needs of rural communities

If you think you might be that person... we would very much like to hear from you.

We are striving to be an inclusive diocese and would welcome applications from all suitably qualified clerics.

For an informal conversation please contact The Revd. Julian Gray, Ministry Area Leader on 01873 859881 or mardyvicarage@yahoo.co.uk

Application form and full profile available at:
<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/house-for-duty-priest-north-monmouthshire-ma/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:

archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Monday 30th October 2023

Interviews to take place soon after.

Ministry Area Leader - Severn Wye

We are looking for a new Ministry Area Leader with a strong faith and a real heart for God, who will take the ministry area through the development stage and into a period of mission and growth.

The person we would like for this role will:

- Have the vision to lead and develop a committed and enthusiastic lay and clergy team in a beautiful part of Wales, have a calling to grow the church community, and give it a strong sense of unity
- Inspire the ministry area community in worship, and be able to communicate scripture in a way that relates well to existing church members and encourages potential future church members
- Enthuse the ministry area with energy and inspire people with vision, finding novel and effective ways of bringing more people to Christ
- Be caring and relate to people of all generations, helping people of all ages to explore, develop and use their gifts
- Have the desire to work with younger people, engaging enthusiastically with the ministry to schools and, hopefully, with the new Church Hub
- Communicate and develop a creative and missional vision for our buildings

We need a Ministry Area Leader who can help us grow as disciples, building on our strengths but also helping us address our weaknesses. We feel now is the time to embrace change and develop our potential for spiritual, missional and numerical growth.

We are striving to be an inclusive diocese and would welcome applications from all suitably qualified clerics.

For an informal conversation please contact Venerable Ian Rees on 07983684151 or archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

Application form and full profile available at:

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Applications should be submitted by email to:
archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Monday 6th November 2023

Interviews to take place on Friday 1st December.

For a downloadable and printable version of this email please click [here](#).

You can find the one-stop-shop for all you need to know and this week's updates [here](#).



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