



Friday Round Up

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

News

Ordinations



The ordination of deacons and priests is one of the highlights of diocesan life as we share the joy of those called by God to serve his Church as servants and shepherds. Last year, because of the necessary restrictions, our ordinations were smaller and much more modest events – though no less joyful for that. But it will be a particular joy this year to have a Cathedral full of family, friends and supporters, the choir leading the musical parts of the service and the congregation singing (yes!) – albeit with masks on.

Our ordinations are also a sign of hope; that God continues to call women and men into ordained ministry for the building up of his church in its witness and service to the world. Please pray for our deacons-to-be, Andrew, Karin and Mandy, and those becoming priests, Kay, Liz and Mary.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Chamy', with a horizontal line underneath.

You can watch the ordination service live on Saturday at 10:30am [here](#).

New Archdeacon and Canons installed at Cathedral

A wonderful Choral Evensong was held at Newport Cathedral this weekend to install a new Archdeacon of Monmouth and six new canons. The cathedral was as full as it could be within current restrictions, and it was lovely that a few friends and family could be there to lend their support. The Revd Canon Ian Rees was installed as Archdeacon of Monmouth and Director of Ministry & Discipleship, while Rod Davies, Fay Howe, Peter Lea, Revd Mark Owen, Major Colin Walsh and Caroline Woollard were installed as cathedral canons. In her sermon, the Rt Rev Cherry Vann, Bishop of Monmouth, said: "Today, within the richness of this offering, we're licensing, installing and praying for a number of people as they take up a new ministry within the diocese. Together, those being installed represent a breadth of ministries that make up the life of the diocese, and a vital link between our cathedral church and the churches in our Ministry Areas. Each one of them, in their different ways, will be working as part of a team; offering their gifts, their insights and their prayers in collaboration with others." During her sermon, Bishop Cherry also reflected on the imperative of discerning the mind of Christ and holding on to the centrality God. She said: "So, as we pray for Ian, for Rod, Fay, Peter, Mark, Colin and Caroline as they take up their new roles in our diocese, we pray for ourselves and the whole of our diocese. That we may focus our attention and effort on discerning the mind of Christ and acknowledge the centrality of God in all that we think and say and do; working together to become the church, the Body of Christ, God calls us to be."

Speaking after the service, The Venerable Ian Rees, said: "I'm honoured and excited to have this new role in a time of both challenge and opportunity for the church and I look forward to getting to know more of the people and places around the diocese."

Watch the service here:



You can read Bishop Cherry's full sermon [here](#).



Quarter 3 Rebate

At their recent meeting, the Diocesan Board of Finance agreed to continue their financial support to parishes with a 30% rebate in Q3. This is intended to allow time for parishes and Ministry Areas to recover as restrictions begin to ease. The DBF acknowledge that this is a very uncertain time and recognise the need for this continued support through the Summer and into the Autumn.

This means that the Board will have offered a 40% rebate for three quarters of 2020 and two quarters of 2021 with a further 30% in Q3 of 2021 – a full 18 months of enhanced support. It has only been possible to offer this level of support for such an extended period of time, partly by drawing on the Board's own reserves, but largely thanks to the generous support that we have received from the Representative Body of Church in Wales. We sincerely thank their trustees for this financial support that we have, in turn, been able to pass on to our parishes and Ministry Areas. This clearly demonstrates how the whole Church continues to work together and support each other through these most difficult times.

Archdeacon of Newport – Sabbatical

Archdeacon Jonathan Williams is due to start a 3-month sabbatical and enquiries should be directed to Archdeacon Sue Pinnington who will be covering the post in the meantime.

Archdeacon Sue can be contacted at,
archdeacon.gwentvalleys@cinw.org.uk
07741661154 / 01495 449946

We wish Archdeacon Jonathan all the best for his sabbatical, and we look forward to seeing him in October.

Young Christian Climate Network - Relay to COP26

There's just two weeks until the relay gets to Monmouth and we'd love as many people from our diocese as possible to be involved!



Would you like to walk part of the route?

Walkers of any age are welcome but under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

Here are the options for the days in our diocese:

Walk the **13 miles between Cardiff and Newport on the 8th of July**, stopping at St Teilo's CiW High School, ending with a welcome event at the Cathedral with MSs, MPs and the CiW Climate Champion, Julia Edwards.

Walk the **12 miles between the Cathedral and Magor, on the 9th of July**, stopping in Nash, following the coastal path with a welcome service in St Mary's Magor.

Walk the **10 miles between Magor and Chepstow, on the 10th of July**, stopping in Caldicot, with a welcome service at St Mary's Chepstow.

Walk the **12 miles between Chepstow and Bradley Stoke on the 11th of July**, starting with a breakfast BBQ and being accompanied by local school children to wave the main group off over the bridge.

You can find out more from YCCN and sign up [here](#).

We're specifically looking for a lead walker for the Cardiff to Newport section on Thursday the 8th, you would just be the main point of contact for walkers that day, you can find out more about the role [here](#) or email Libby, libbymorgan-owen@churcheinwales.org.uk

If you don't want to walk but would still like to be involved, could you sign up to be on-call support?

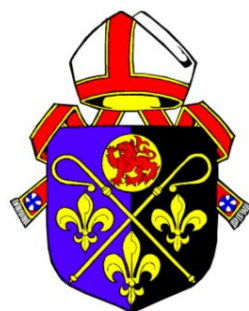
You would transport bags on the day and help out if a walker gets injured and needs to be transported off route.

Find out more about the role [here](#).

Need some inspiration? Nathan Munday, from Christian Aid Cymru explains why he's taking part in the relay in the relay below.



Read the full Church in Wales press release [here](#).



Sea Sunday – July 11th



Sea Sunday gives us the opportunity to reflect upon the human cost of the global economy and the women and men who sacrifice so much for us to have the goods we want and need. 90% of the goods we have arrive by sea and the docks in Newport have continued to be busy, even during the pandemic. Resources to help you plan a service to mark Sea Sunday can be found below, including sermon notes and activities for young people. At the very least, please use July 11th to remember those who spend most of their lives at sea and the cost of that to their family life and wellbeing. Please also remember the Chaplains who work with the Mission to Seafarers, particularly our own Chaplain, the Revd Mark Lawson-Jones.

[Sea Sunday - Leaflet](#)

[Sea Sunday - Sermon Outlines](#)

[Sea Sunday - Kids Activities](#)

[Sea Sunday - How to Support Seafarers](#)

Training/Events

Calling Conversations - next week!

Find out more about our past and upcoming sessions

here: https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/prayer_and_spirituality/vocations/calling-conversations/

Including the next session on the **29th of June** on Ordained Ministry



God is Calling

- DIOCESE OF MONMOUTH -

**CALLING CONVERSATIONS
ORDAINED MINISTRY**

OUR PANEL

❖ BISHOP CHERRY VANN ❖ CANON MARK CLAVIER

❖ BROTHER OSWIN CR (SUPERIOR) ❖ MANDY EAST, NEWLY ORDAINED DEACON

• LIVE ON FACEBOOK • TUESDAY 29TH JUNE AT 7PM •



Safeguarding Training

Part 1

Friday 2 July 10.00am

Monday 5 July 14.00pm

Tuesday 6 July 18.00pm

Wednesday 14 July 10.00am

Part 2

Friday 16 July 10.00am

Tuesday 20 July 18.00pm

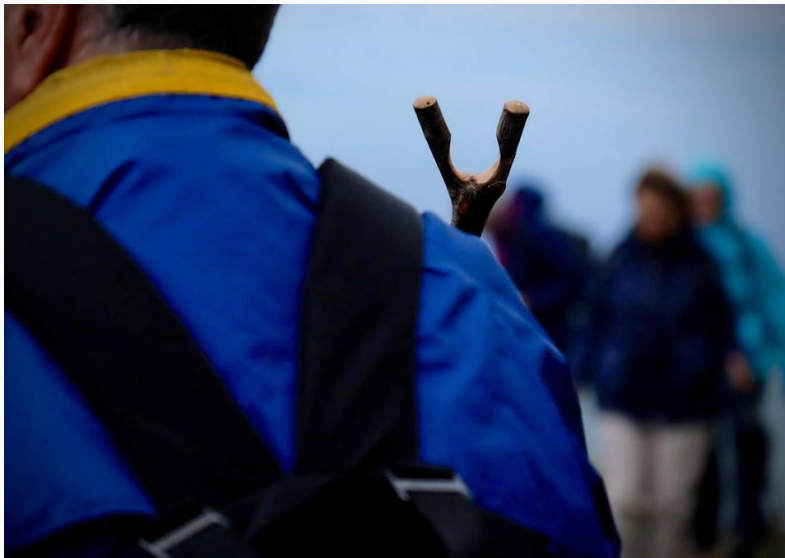
Thursday 22 July 14.00pm

Tuesday 27 July 14.00pm

If you would like to attend a session please email safeguardingtraining@stpadarns.ac.uk to book.

Tintern Abbey and the Wye Valley *Walking in the spirit of pilgrimage*

Saturday July 10th 2021



Gather at historic Tintern Abbey before setting out in the spirit of pilgrimage to explore this lovely part of the Wye Valley with Journeying, a non-profit-seeking Christian organisation.

For more details visit the website: <https://www.journeying.co.uk/day-walks2>



Srebrenica Memorial Week

Srebrenica Memorial Week will be taking place 4th – 11th July. Communities across the UK will commemorate the 26th anniversary of the genocide, where over 8,000 Bosnian Muslim men and boys lost their lives.

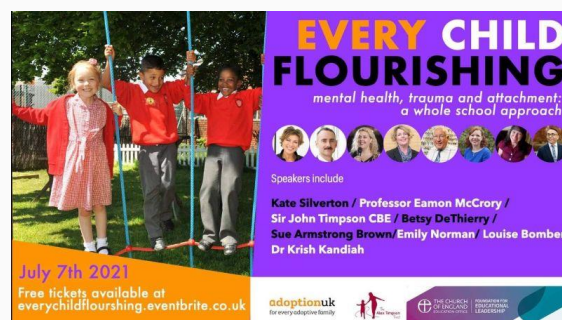
[Remembering Srebrenica](#) is a charity dedicated to creating a safe society for all. A range of resources to support acts of commemoration, including a statement to mark the anniversary, speeches, interfaith prayers which can be found [here](#).

Services and Resources

Join a Trinity 4 Service from the Cathedral on Sunday at 10:30am [here](#).

Every Child Flourishing

Wednesday 7th July, 3:30pm - 5:30pm



The pandemic has meant every child in school has experienced some form of disruption and trauma. Transitioning back to school has not been straightforward. This special event brings together experts in Children's Mental Health, school leadership, and child welfare leaders for an inspiring and informative seminar. This event is for all school leaders, teachers and anyone interested in helping schools to become places where every child can thrive.

Book your free place here <https://everychildflourishing.eventbrite.co.uk>

Our Schools



Using some of the resources available from Christian Aid, the Church in Wales has produced a new project. This one is called Ffrindiau'r Byd and blends Religious Education with the Eco aspect of the curriculum. Resources for this project are available through our Diocesan website:

[Resources - Monmouth Diocese \(churchinwales.org.uk\)](http://churchinwales.org.uk)

The project can be run at any time of the year. Creationtide may be an ideal occasion.

Climate Emergency Competition

Following the Church in Wales calling a Climate Emergency the Education Teams thought it important to ask the views of the children and young people in our schools about these matters. Therefore, they are asking: If they could say something to the people in charge, the leaders of our governments and communities about looking after our planet, what would they say?

Find out more about the competition [here](#).