



Friday Round Up

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



For Your Prayers

Dear Friends,

Please remember Bishop Charles in your prayers over the coming weeks. He was diagnosed with a thyroid problem in August and is having a procedure done in hospital next Tuesday to try and clear it. He will then be off work and recuperating at home for about a month. He is in good heart but would welcome your prayers for him and for The Highveld at this time.



J. Gray

Live-streamed Services & Reflections:

Watch Bishop Cherry's Tuesday reflection [here](#).

Join a Sunday Eucharist from the Cathedral [here](#).



Updated Guidance - Re opening after Firebreak

Guidance from the Church in Wales about the reopening of church buildings is currently being finalised and will be posted [here](#) when complete.

Follow up to Diocesan Conference

You can watch or read Bishop Cherry's keynote conference speech [here](#).

Read Bishop Cherry's answers to the follow up questions to her speech [here](#).

View the election results from the Diocesan Conference [here](#).





Collection for Archdeacon Ambrose

Archdeacon Ambrose's final service will be on the 6th of December.

If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift for Ambrose, please call Libby on 07508 801511 for bank details.

Donations need to be received by the 1st of December.

Remembrance 2020

The Diocese of Monmouth has produced a Service of Remembrance with Bishop Cherry preaching which we hope will be an accessible resource for all churches and communities during this difficult time while our churches are closed.

You can find the service here

<https://youtu.be/Q-JXbHrWhvs>

Download the order of service [here](#).

Download Bishop Cherry's Homily [here](#).



Church Furniture Available

St Stephen's church in Pill is about to start a major re ordering and consequently would like to know if any other churches in the diocese could be blessed by the relocation of a number of items of an ecclesiastical nature.

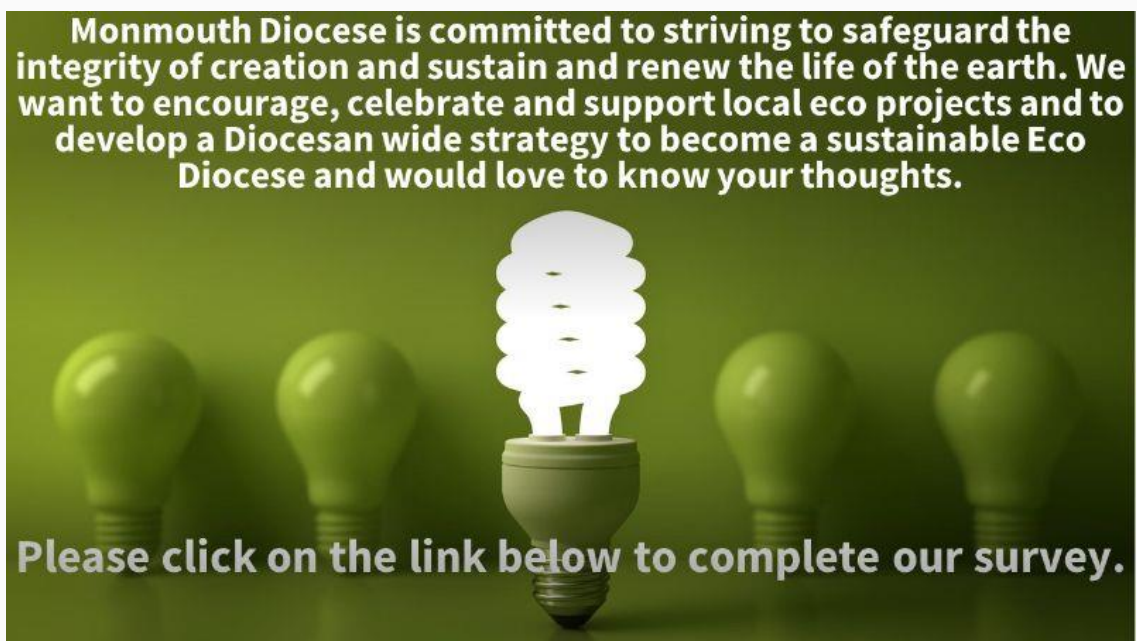
Please contact the church office on 01633 266076 or email office@stpaulsnewport.org.uk if any of the items listed on the enclosed document would be a blessing to your church.

Please click [here](#) for the list.

Eco Church Survey

Monmouth Diocese is committed to becoming an Eco Diocese, we'd love to hear your thoughts.

Please click on the image to enlarge



Please complete the [survey](#).

Contact archdeacon.gwentvalleys@cinw.org.uk for more information about the Diocesan Eco Group.

#GoodNewsWorthSharing



St John's Knit & Natter Group -
Rogerstone Newport
Benefice of Bassaleg

We have been knitting crib covers, blankets, hats and teddy bears for the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, for their premature and full -term babies.

They are very grateful, as they say, if they run out of hats, which they put on every baby to reduce heat loss, they would have to go out and buy them. They can have up to twelve births a day so that could mean three hundred and sixty babies a month!

We were asked if we could make some Christmas hats, as they dress every baby born at Christmas in a nice babygrow and hat. We looked for some patterns and are now knitting festive hats e.g. Christmas Trees, Santa Hats and Christmas puddings.

The photograph shows our third lot of knitting ready to go to the hospital - hats, crib covers, blankets, cardigans and teddy bears. This was taken at our last meeting before lockdown on the 18th March 2020.

Our needles have been busy during lockdown and we now have another three hundred and fifty hats, six teddy bears and some crib covers ready. This will be our fourth lot of knitting for them. The hospital also wondered if we could make two shawls for for them in readiness for their move to the new Grange Hospital. These will be given to the first baby girl and boy born there. These are being done as this is being written, and we nearly have enough Christmas hats made as well. Although we can't have our meetings for the foreseeable future, we will continue knitting to keep the hospital stocked up with knitted items.

On behalf of the members of the group.

St Padarn's Christmas Webinars



ST PADARN'S CHRISTMAS WEBINAR SERIES

**CHRISTMAS IN YOUR
COMMUNITY: BRINGING
COMFORT AND JOY**

9TH NOVEMBER, 2PM

AND

CHRISTMAS REIMAGINED

16TH NOVEMBER, 2PM

Find more details, including how to reserve
your place and view previously held
webinars at:

[https://www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/
ministerial-support-hub/digital-ministry-
webinars/](https://www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/ministerial-support-hub/digital-ministry-webinars/)



St Padarn's are pleased to share that there will be a Christmas Webinar Series in November to help us prepare for the upcoming Christmas season.

The first webinar of the series will be on the **9th November** at **2pm** and is called '**Christmas in your community: bringing comfort and joy**'. Sandra Millar is back with us and she will share creative and practical ideas about how to make Christmas memorable in and beyond the church, with a focus on the possible, looking at how social media, digital, domestic and church spaces can work together.

The second part of this series will be on the **16th November** at **2pm** and is called '**Christmas Reimagined**'. As churches right across Wales are having to re-imagine what their traditional Christmas services and ministry will look like this year, we will be looking to share many more practical ideas to encourage and inspire us as we prepare for this very special season.

You can register for your place as well as view any previous webinars you may have missed (including handouts) at: <https://www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/ministerial-support-hub/digital-ministry-webinars/>.

18TH NOVEMBER 2PM

MONMOUTH PIONEERS

PRE CHRISTMAS GATHERING

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO GET THE
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For more information and to get the link find us on
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Light Up A Life is a series of **special events** that take place around the UK during **November & December** each year by the Hospice movement.

The event will be broadcast online at
7pm on 10th December
for all to share this special time of remembrance & reflection.

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HeartEdge

November Programme

'Being Interrupted: Re-imagining the Church's Mission from the Outside, In'

- Monday 9 November, 16:30-18:00. 'Life at the edges' [Register here](#).
- Monday 16 November, 16:30-18:00. 'What would the Roman centurion do ...?' [Register here](#).
- Monday 23 November 16.00 - 18.30. 'Resurrection from the compost heap' [Details here soon](#).

Shut In, Shut Out, Shut Up

- Friday 13 November, 16:30-18:00. Neurodiversity & church: intersectionality. [Register here](#).
- Friday 20 November, 16:30-18:00. Disability, social justice and the church. [Register here](#).

'Living God's Future Now' - HeartEdge monthly dialogue

Thursday 12 November, 18:00. Sam Wells in dialogue on improvising the kingdom with the Very Reverend Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas. [Register here](#).

With love to guide us, nothing can divide us: Religious faith and LGBTI+ Alliances

Monday 16 November, 18:00 - 19:30. With both a religious and general challenge to LGBTI+ people and even to their alliances, is conflict between religion and LGBTI+ people inevitable? [Register here](#).

Learning a Missional Practice: Dwelling in the Word

Wednesday 18 November, 14:00-15:30. Follow-up Session to 'Learning a Missional Practice: Dwelling in the Word' [Details here](#).

God in Exile: Interfaith perspectives on welcoming refugees

Thursday 19 November, 16:30-18:00. First of 4, exploring themes of Migration, Theology and Community. [Register here](#).

Inspired to Follow: Art and the Bible Story

Sunday 29 November, 14.00. 'The Advent Wreath' exploring the Patriarchs, the Prophets, John the Baptist and Mary. [Register here](#).

Annual Returns

The final deadline for Annual Returns is the **30th of November, just over 3 week away.**

This includes,

Membership Return

Finance Return

Churchwardens Fabric Report

A copy of your independently examined/audited 2019 Accounts

Diocesan Database Return

Please do not take any unnecessary health risks when completing the returns.

Please contact Libby if you have any questions or require any assistance.

libbymorgan-owen@churchinwales.org.uk

07508 801511.

Thank-you to all the churches who have already completed their returns.

Children, Families & Young Peoples Resources



Cyncoed Ministry Area have Sunday School activities available [here](#).



St Teilo's High School are providing weekly services for young people, you can catch up with previous services and watch this week's [here](#).



Charles Williams Church in Wales Primary School have lots of child friendly services available [here](#).



Care for the Family

Care for the Family's Kitchen Table Project is supporting churches and their work with families, watch their video [here](#).

And find more of their resources [here](#).



Scripture Union

Scripture Union have a variety of resources available for children and young people, including daily craft and prayer activities and mental health resources. Check them out [here](#).

There are lots more amazing resources for children and families available on our website [here](#).