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Diocese of Monmouth



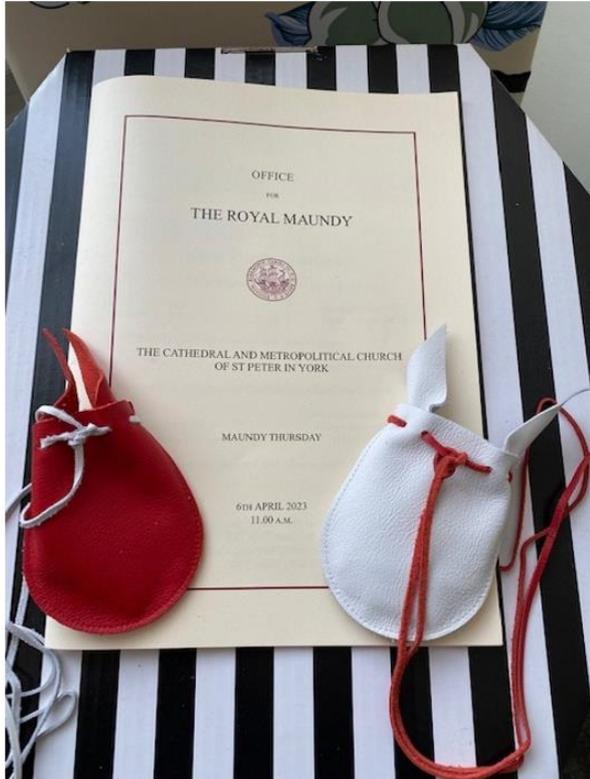
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News



Maundy Money

Two members of our diocese had the special honour of receiving Maundy Money from HRH King Charles during a service at York Minster.



Paulette Brown and Rod Davies attended the Royal Maundy Service where they were presented with two purses: a red purse containing two commemorative coins, symbolising the Sovereign's historic gift of food and clothing (this year, one will celebrate His Majesty's forthcoming 75th birthday and the other will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Windrush Generation) and a white purse containing a set of specially minted silver Maundy coins, equivalent in value to the age of the Monarch (this year is 74p).

During the service, His Majesty presented 74 men and 74 women with the Maundy Money to thank them for their outstanding Christian service and for making a

difference to the lives of people in their local communities. The service dates back to 600AD and these special coins have kept much the same form since 1670. The first recorded Royal Distribution was at Knaresborough, North Yorkshire by King John in 1210.

Paulette said, *“It was a great and unexpected honour to be nominated to receive the Maundy Money from King Charles in the glorious setting of York Minster. Great pageantry, wonderful music, beautiful readings - an awesome occasion but the theme of humble service was never lost.”*

She went on to describe the day:
“So many things will stay in my memory - the tapping sticks of the Yeoman of the Guard in stately procession, the majesty of Zadok the Priest and the resounding rendition of Love Divine to the Welsh tune, Blaenwern.



“The fleeting moment with The King whose wonderful smile, kind eyes and whispered words made it a very personal occasion.”



Rod described it as ‘a truly unforgettable day!’

“What would I be doing receiving a letter from the Royal Almonary Office of Buckingham Palace in January this year? Total surprise! The letter was an invitation to receive Maundy Money from His Majesty the King on 6th April at York Minster.

“I was truly honoured to be considered for such an occasion and thrilled at the prospect of attending such a special service. Of course this is the first time the

will have carried out this service in his own right. 74men and 74 women received the gift, 74 being the age of the monarch.”

Rod was allowed one companion on the special day, and he took his son John.

Speaking about the day, Rod said: *“York Minster is a breathtaking building! It is enormous and awe-inspiring. On the morning of the service the nave was full with some 1500 people in attendance including the Maundy Money recipients, their companions and those invited from the local community, diocese and wider area. The pageantry and organisation was superb, to the usual high standards for national events of this sort. The service started a few minutes after 11 am and finished at 12pm.*

“The actual presentation of the Maundy Money was completed with equal efficiency. In my case the King was directed towards me, he said some words of gratitude and handed me the 2 purses each containing the Maundy Money.

“The whole event from start to finish was a humbling and unforgettable experience for me. The gift is symbolic and resonates with Jesus washing the feet of His disciples.”



Archbishop makes climate plea in key speech



The Archbishop of Wales called for an active response to the climate emergency, in his key note address at Governing Body today (19th April).

Delivering his Presidential Address to members of the Church in Wales' Governing Body at the start of its two-

day meeting in Llandudno, the Archbishop announced that the Church would hold an Environmental Summit next year to bring together key stakeholders with the aim of making Wales “an exemplar of good practice.”

The Archbishop's full address is available [here](#)

The Governing Body is meeting at Venue Cymru, Llandudno, on April 19-20. You can download the full agenda and papers here:

<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/governing-body/meetings/>

The meeting will also be live-streamed via a link on the Church in Wales website at www.churchinwales.org.uk and YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/user/churchinwales>.

Key role for The Cross of Wales in Coronation



The Cross of Wales, showing the relic of the True Cross - photo by Dave Custance

The Cross of Wales, a new processional cross presented by His Majesty King Charles III as a centenary gift to the Church in Wales, will lead the Coronation procession at Westminster Abbey on 6 May.

Read more [here](#)

For Your Prayers

We give thanks for the life of Sr. Gillian Mary, a member of the Society of the Sacred Cross at Tymawr Convent, who has died in the 49th year of her profession.

A requiem mass and interment will be held on Saturday 22nd April, at 11am at Tymawr Convent (Lydart, Monmouth, NP25 4RN). To help with arrangements, please email the chaplain if you intend to come: SSCchaplain@gmail.com

Please remember Sr. Gillian and the rest of the Tymawr community in your prayers.

Training & Events



Safeguarding Training Dates

Safeguarding Courses will be available across the diocese in 2023 to ensure that everyone has the right level of up to date training for their role and has a good understanding of their role in safeguarding in the church.

Module A is available online and can be undertaken independently without a trainer and without booking. The course is designed to support all of us within our church communities and aims to equip everyone to help make the church – and keep the church – a safe place. It should be completed by all clergy, everyone with a church office and anyone requiring further safeguarding training. It can be accessed on our webpages or by following this link: <https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/church-in-wales-safeguarding-awareness-module-a/>

Module B needs to be completed by all clergy, anyone with a church office and all in the church who have a role with children or adults at risk. It is a closer look at safeguarding in the church context, developing an awareness and understanding of the safeguarding processes related to roles and responsibilities within the Church in Wales. The dates for Module B next term are:

Date	Day	Start Time	Location	Course
04/05/2023	Thursday	6.30pm	Priory Centre, Abergavenny, NP7 5ND	B
23/05/2023	Tuesday	6.30pm	Holy Trinity Christchurch Church Hall, Newport, NP18 1JP	B
25/05/2023	Thursday	10.00am	St Cadoc's Church, Raglan, NP15 2EN	B
06/06/2023	Tuesday	10.00am	Monmouth Diocesan Office, 64 Caerau Road, NP20 4HJ	B
22/06/2023	Thursday	10.00am	Monmouth Diocesan Office, 64 Caerau Road, NP20 4HJ	E (for PTOs)
27/06/2023	Tuesday	6.30pm	St Cadoc's Church, Raglan, NP15 2EN	B

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These are available to book onto by using our webform at <https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/safeguarding-training-booking-form/> or by emailing safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Safeguarding Trainer - Bec Jones if you have any questions at rebecca.jones@cinw.org.uk



Quiet Day - Saturday 13th May

Society of the Sacred Cross, Tymawr Convent, Lydart. Monmouth NP25 4RN

Widows, mothers and virgins: praying with women through hard times with Rev Dr Hannah Lewis SCL

Hannah writes, *“There is a perception that to pray we need to be able to spend time in formal prayer and contemplation. However, for many people, the reality is different as busy lives balancing work and family, stress, grief, and other things get in the way. This day doesn’t claim to have all the answers but will reflect on the stories of some obvious and not so obvious women of prayer from the Bible and in history to assist us to recognise and celebrate where we are already people of prayer and to encourage us to keep on keeping on.”*

Hannah Lewis is a BSL using deaf priest currently working in the Diocese of Oxford with the deaf community. She is also a liberation theologian and a single mother and has taken life vows in a Single Consecrated Life. Prayer is the only way she holds all this together.

This day includes inputs from Hannah, a Eucharist at noon and Evening Prayer at 4.00pm – and the option to join the community earlier and attend Morning Prayer at 9.30am. The talks and services will have a BSL interpreter. Participants are asked to bring their own lunch; hot drinks will be provided.

For further details and to book a place, please contact the Chaplain on:

SSCchaplain@gmail.com / 07484 692169



Change of Date: Mission to Seafarers Evening

An evening listening to Ros Downs talk about life on the ships, her ministry as a chaplain and how we can support her and the work of Mission to Seafarers in Newport and around the ports of Wales will be held on **Wednesday 10th May, St Basil's Church in Bassaleg at 7pm**. No booking required, just turn up on the night!

Please note - this is a change of date from previously advertised

3RD MAY, 7PM
IN THE DIOCESAN OFFICE



**LEADING
SMALL
GROUPS**



SPEAKER:
REVD JAMES HENLEY

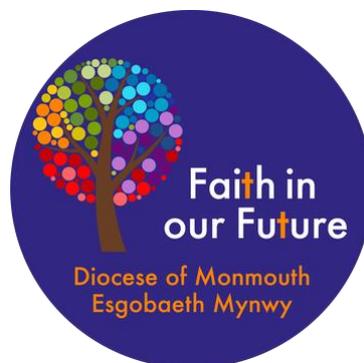
TO BOOK A PLACE,
PLEASE EMAIL: ADMIN.MONMOUTH@CINW.ORG.UK

Last Chance to Book: Small Group Leaders Training

There are only a few places left on the training for those involved in leading small groups. This is happening on **Wednesday 3rd May, at 7pm** in the Diocesan Office (64 Caerau Road, Newport, NP20 4HJ).

If you're currently leading, or are interested in finding out more about leading a small group in your church, please come along. This course is open to everyone, both laity and clergy. However, we hope this training especially enables and encourages our laity to have more opportunities to lead.

To book a place, please contact admin.monmouth@cinw.org.uk



Children and Education Training: Godly Play
Wednesday 14th June, 6-8pm

Charles Williams Church in Wales Primary School, Caerleon

“Godly Play training has opened my eyes to a new way of untangling the human and holy story and I can’t wait to use my new story telling skills”

Godly Play makes space for questions about the meaning and purpose of life. It begins with children’s innate sense of the presence of God and offers Christian language as a support for their ongoing spiritual formation.

Please contact admin.monmouth@cinw.org.uk to book your place.



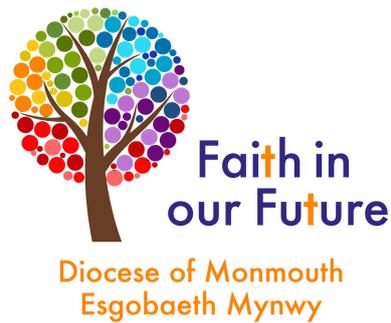
Reminder: LGBTQIA+ Social Evening **6.45pm, Thursday 11 May 2023 at Bishopstow, Newport**

Bishop Cherry would like to invite LGBTQIA+ clergy and partners, to meet and enjoy fellowship together. Those new to the diocese are especially welcome.

Drinks and canapés will be provided.

There is limited parking at Bishopstow, available on a first come basis, with on-street parking next to the Cathedral available free of charge. This is only a short walk from Bishopstow.

To plan the refreshments, please can you RSVP to Bishop Cherry’s PA, Vicki Stevens at monbishpa@churchinwales.org.uk by **Friday 28 April 2023**, along with any dietary requirements.



Commissioned Ministry Celebration

Wednesday 21st June, 7-9pm at St Mark's, Gold Tops

We have new training schemes available for lay worship leaders and pastoral visitors which are being piloted right now. The new training will be launched officially on this evening, where we will also take the opportunity to celebrate the crucial role that licensed and commissioned lay ministers play in the life of our churches across the diocese.

We hope that current licensed and commissioned lay ministers will come along as well as anyone interested in training for these ministries. We are also encouraging clergy to come along and celebrate the importance of ministry teams of lay and ordained people working together.

Research on experiences during the pandemic

The Church in Wales' national office has been approached by Ellen Falkingham, an anthropologist at Keble College, Oxford, inviting clergy and other ministers who have been involved in funeral and bereavement ministry during the COVID-19 pandemic to participate in her research project which focuses on what she terms 'pandemic fatigue'. Further details and links are provided in the attached [document](#).

Services & Resources



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

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Mai 13 <i>May 13</i> Dydd Sadwrn / <i>Saturday</i>	9.30 am / y.b.	St Thomas Trefynwy / <i>Monmouth</i>	Ewcharist <i>Eucharist</i>
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Mehfin 13 <i>June 13</i> Dydd Mawrth / <i>Tuesday</i>	7.00 pm / y.h.	St Mary Magwyr / <i>Magor</i>	Ewcharist <i>Eucharist</i>
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Gorffennaf 8 <i>July 8</i> Dydd Sadwrn / <i>Saturday</i>	9.30 am / y.b.	St Thomas Trefynwy / <i>Monmouth</i>	Ewcharist <i>Eucharist</i>
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Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Ruth Willis: ruth_willis05@hotmail.com
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Vacancies

Chaplaincy at Cardiff Prison

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a full-time Christian Chaplain at Cardiff Prison.

Full details of the job can be found here: [Cardiff Prison Chaplain](#)

Closing Date for applications: **Wednesday 19th April 2023**

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

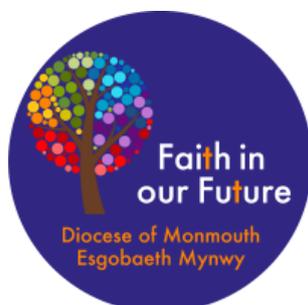
You can find the one-stop-shop for all you need to know and this week's updates [here](#).



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