



Midweek Mailing

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

News



Two more ministry areas commissioned

Mynydd Bedwellte and Netherwent Ministry Areas have been commissioned this week in two more wonderful services.

In Mynydd Bedwellte, Revd Matt Davis was licensed as the Ministry Area Leader and Revd Elizabeth Jones as Associate Priest.

You can watch the Mynydd Bedwellte Ministry Area service here,



In Netherwent, Revd Jeremy Harris was licensed as the Ministry Area Leader, Revd Dan Frett, Revd Gilly Hubbard and Revd Hilary Prest as Vicars, Revd Samuel Patterson, Revd Kay Denly and Revd Mandy East as Assistant Curates and David Flint, Paul Glover, Pam Richards, Cynthia Harrison, Graham Lynch and David Harper as Lay Ministers.



You can watch the Netherwent Ministry Area service here,



The next commissioning service will be for Mid Torfaen Ministry Area on the 20th of March.



Thank-you

As well as using our weekly mailing to announce new appointments to our diocese, it is also an opportunity for us to say 'thankyou' to all those who have served faithfully in ordained ministry for many years and have now retired.

We are tremendously grateful for the ministry they have offered.

The Revd Frieda Evans, Associate Priest, Rectorial Benefice of Cwmbran retired on 16th February 2022

The Revd Canon Anne Golledge, Team Vicar, Rectorial Benefice of Bassaleg is retiring on 28th February 2022

“Please continue to pray for one another and for the life of our diocese as we each seek to be faithful to all that God asks of us.

“May God continue to bless you in all that you are and all that you do in your service of the gospel.”



Nomination to Co-opted place on the Governing Body

In December 2021 members of the Governing Body were invited to make annual nominations for potential co-opted members of the Governing Body.

One nomination was received and the Standing Committee made this co-option.

This means that there are several remaining co-opted places to fill. They are:

For the three-year period which ends on 31 December 2024:

- 1 cleric
- 1 unbeneficed cleric
- 1 lay person
- 2 lay persons under the age of 30 years

For the two-year period to 31 December 2023:

- 1 lay person

Nomination forms and more information is available here:

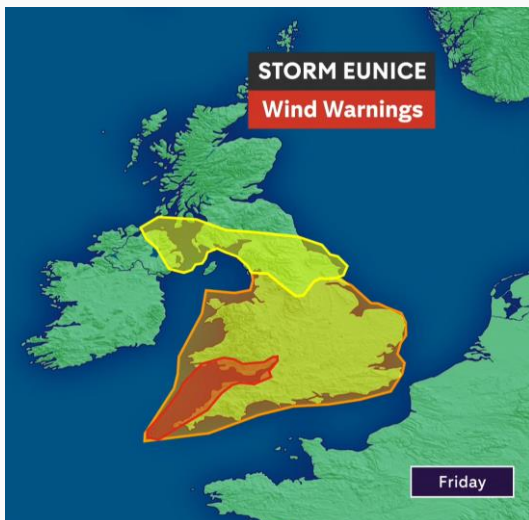
<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/governing-body/nomination-to-co-opted-place-on-the-governing-body/>

Please send nominations for co-options

to johnrichfield@churchinwales.org.uk by Monday 7 March 2022

Insurance Excess - Multiple Claims Grant

If your church suffered damage in last week's storms and is now facing an insurance claim but has already made one recently, please consider applying for our Insurance Excess - Multiple Claims Grant.



This grant can reimburse parishes/MAs for insurance excess costs, suffered as a result of two or more successful claims being made for any reason, on the same church building, within a reasonable time frame (eg 12 – 18 months).

Find out more and download the application form [here](#).



RSCM Platinum Project: 'In Our Service'

The Royal School of Church Music announces the 'Platinum Project', a special commission from award-winning British composer Thomas Hewitt Jones to commemorate Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022. 'In our Service' is a 4-minute anthem with themes of service and dedication, celebrating the RSCM's Royal Patron, HM The Queen. The text has a deliberately a wide appeal to ensure it has a lasting value beyond the Jubilee itself.

Find out more [here](#) and get involved [here](#).

Good News Worth Sharing

Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area *Forward Together - United in Prayer*



Representatives from across the ministry area who currently write and pray intercessions met recently in St Cadoc's Church, Raglan to discuss the way forward with this ministry.

It was agreed by the meeting that a weekly rota will be drawn up with one person each week tasked with writing prayers of intercession.

These will be circulated to all twenty churches, for inclusion in all Sunday Services - this will be especially welcomed by those churches who do not currently have anyone writing intercessions

There will of course be time allowed for amendments to be made as appropriate to fit the needs of individual churches - the joyful news is that essentially we will be united in prayer across the whole ministry area each and every Sunday.

Training and Events

Safeguarding Training



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING SESSIONS

Online via Zoom

These sessions are for all who hold an ecclesiastical office, or who hold licence/PTO/commission from the Diocesan Bishop (whether lay or ordained), for those who run Sunday School or Youth clubs, Organists/Directors of Music, for whom an enhanced DBS is required.

The training is presented in two parts, Part 1 & Part 2, to complete the course both parts must be attended. The course lasts for approximately 2-2.5 hours and there is no cost to attend the course. **Please note Module A must be completed first.**

PART 1		PART 2	
Tuesday 22nd February	10:00	Thursday 10th March	14:00
Wednesday 02nd March	10:00	Monday 14th March	14:00
Thursday 03rd March	14:00	Friday 18th March	10:00
Wednesday 09th March	14:00	Thursday 24th March	10:00

To book a place, please contact **Sarah** via email on safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk
The Church in Wales has a responsibility to ensure that all church members are cared for and protected.



To book a place, email safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk

World Day of Prayer

The Newport Committee for the World Day of Prayer would be very grateful if the following poster could be displayed and a note placed in the pew sheets regarding the service to be held at **2pm on Friday 4th March 2022 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Stow Hill, Newport.**



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2022

FRIDAY 4 MARCH

A SERVICE FOR EVERYONE

Praying for England, Wales
and Northern Ireland

St Mary's
Roman Catholic Church
9 Stow Hill · Newport · NP20 1TP

Friday 4th March
2pm

*Subject to Government COVID restrictions on the day
Numbers attending may be Restricted*

I know the plans I have for you

365 days a year · Informed Prayer · Prayerful Action · 24-7 · Prayer
Movement · Ecumenical · Global · Women-led · 365 days a year · Inform
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www.wwdp.org.uk Registered Charity Number 233242


Please check the World Day of Prayer website www.wwdp.org.uk for a service that may be nearer to where you live.

For further information, please contact Jen Robinson (Secretary for the Newport Branch of the World Day of Prayer) by email on cameldrom13@hotmail.co.uk

Download a copy of the poster [here](#).

Provincial LLM Day

YOU ARE INVITED



Speakers

Dr Elizabeth Corsar

Bishop Cherry Vann

ATHROFA PADARN SANT
ST PADARN'S INSTITUTE

**The Church in Wales
Provincial LLM Day**

Saturday, 5th March, 10:00-15:15
ONLINE

The event is supported by all six of our dioceses, and provides a wonderful opportunity to come together and celebrate lay ministry in all of its richness and diversity.

The day will feature worship, study, debate, and small group discussion around lay ministry, and will include:

- Bible study led by Dr Elizabeth Corsar
- A Vision for lay ministry in the Church in Wales led by Bishop Cherry
- A facilitated discussion entitled 'What would you like to say to your Bishop?'
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Pre-booking is required so please book your place before the 1st March by clicking the link in the description. You will automatically receive a meeting link once you have registered.

Please contact the CMD Team at St Padarn's on 02920 563 379 with any queries.

To sign up go to : <https://bit.ly/3gearxG>



Faith in the Future Webinars

National Churches Trust and the Welsh Historic Places of Worship Forum are holding their next series of webinars over February and March.

These will take place on:

8th March: Innovative ways to raise funds and income

29th March: Rising to the climate change challenge

Each event starts at 1.30pm for about two hours and will involve hearing from interesting case studies with some presentations from key speakers.

Book your place [here](#).



Sight Loss Friendly Church Taster Sessions

Every six minutes someone in the UK starts losing their sight.

Christian charity Torch Trust are pleased to announce further dates of our popular Tasters.

These 30 minutes zoom sessions will give you the opportunity to learn about the benefits of being a Sight Loss Friendly Church as well as meeting the SLFC team and an opportunity to ask questions.

Tasters are easy to sign up to and held on the following dates:

Monday 14th March 2pm

Wednesday 23rd March 2pm

To book your place visit <https://torchtrust.org/sight-loss-friendly-church/taster/>

The poster features a blue background with white text at the top: 'Every 6 minutes, someone in the UK starts to lose their sight.*'. Below the text is an illustration of five diverse people: a woman with a white cane, a man in a black shirt, a woman in a purple coat, a man in a white shirt, and a person in a wheelchair. To the right of the people is a large yellow clock face. At the bottom left is the Sight Loss Friendly Church logo. To the right of the logo, the text reads: 'What does it mean to be a Sight Loss Friendly Church? Join a free, 30-minute online Taster session to find out more.' At the very bottom, there is small text: 'The Torch Trust for the Blind. A company limited by Guarantee. Registered in England number: 4616526 Registered Charity number: 1095904 *RNIB'.

Caring for God's Acre's



Online Day Conference
Tuesday 15th March, 10am - 5pm



The Beautiful Burial Ground Conference

Online booking: <https://tinyurl.com/godsacre>*

£15 non-members, £12 members

Concessionary places available if required

Join us for an inspiring day discovering how to transform burial grounds into havens for people, wildlife and heritage.

Hear from experts in the field and attend workshops of your choice.

There will be plenty of time for asking questions and networking.

Our Patron, Chris Baines, independent environmentalist with an international reputation as a landscape communicator, an award-winning writer and broadcaster will be launching the conference.



*Payment by Cheque, BACS and PO also available

www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk
Charity reg no. 1155536

Details and booking here:

<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/get-involved/beautiful-burial-ground-conference-2022/>

New Discovery Pack for Children

A downloadable resource with inspiring seasonal activities to help you to explore churchyards and other burial grounds with young children.

From simple tree and bird id, to reflective prompts and quiz sheets. Take a look here.

<https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Burial-Ground-Discovery-Pack-FINAL.pdf>



Would you like to make more time to pray, but aren't sure where to start?
Or would you like to give your prayer a renewed focus for a week in Lent?
Would you like a little help along the way?
Then the **Week of Guided Prayer Online 2022** is for you.

This **Week of Guided Prayer Online** is suitable for everybody.
You will use Bible passages, and other material, as a basis for prayer and meditation, with a guide alongside you to suggest what you might pray with and to hear how it went.

Previous participants told us:

'It's been a thought provoking, reassuring and challenging week'

'It was good ... to have fellow travellers and to share some of our experiences; and wonderful to have guides prepared to give of their time, knowledge and experience to support us.'

'My guide was amazing. I felt he had God's ear to guide me'

The **Week of Guided Prayer Online** starts with an introductory meeting on Zoom for all the participants and guides. We will match you with a guide who will arrange to meet with you on Zoom each day, Monday to Friday, at a time

that works for both of you. These sessions usually last 20-30 minutes and we suggest that you make 20-30 minutes available for the prayer itself. The retreat ends with a closing session online.

Register your place

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/week-of-guided-prayer-2022-registration-256051746667>

Important: Please book as soon as possible so that we can match you with an appropriate guide.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Rev Jane Butler: jane.upperislwyn@yahoo.com (01495 249021).

Services and Resources



Diocesan Lent Resources

We've added some extra resources to our Diocesan Recommended Lent Courses list. Find out more about the brand new Lent Resources from Church Army!

[DOWNLOAD: Lent 2022 - Course Recommendations \(PDF\)](#)



Archdeacon Ian Rees has drafted the attached list of suggested course options as well as written a wonderful set of Lent Reflections for us to use as a diocese.

[DOWNLOAD: Lent 2022 - Daily Reflections \(PDF\)](#)

If you are planning to host an online Lent course which is open for others to join, please let us know by emailing admin.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk. We hope to list any open groups with a group contact on the Diocesan website.



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

Esgobaeth Mynwy Gwasanaethau Cymraeg Mawrth 2022

Mawrth / March 12th, Saturday / Dydd Sadwrn

10:30am / y.b.

Eglwys Sant Thomas / St Thomas' Church, Overmonnow, NP25 4ES

Ewcharist / Eucharist

You may notice we are starting to add some more Welsh words and phrases to our diocesan communications!

Staff in the diocese office will soon be answering the phone with a 'Bore da' or ending an email with 'cofion cynnes' as we continue our journey to become a bilingual diocese.

Welsh language services that are held regularly across our diocese are a great way to embrace the Welsh identity of our diocese.