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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.

#### **Governing Body - Archbishop of Wales Keynote Speech**



Delegates from across Wales are in Lampeter this week attending the Governing Body of the Church in Wales.

Following on from his keynote speech at the April Governing Body the Archbishop of Wales spoke of how more than 70 people from across the UK will take part in the Restoring Welsh Rivers Conference in November to discuss ways of improving water quality.

The Archbishop, Andrew John warned that restoring rivers was a "complex matter" with competing demands" but stressed that joint action, bridging divisions to work together, was vital to tackle the challenge.

Archbishop Andrew said "A church which is truly radical in its engagement with the world will address critical issues whether climate change, AI or poverty and war"

The Archbishop's keynote address highlighted how people work better together and that "we ought to feel the discomfort of a church that is trying new things and breaking new ground."

The full presidential address is available here.

The Governing Body is meeting at the University of Wales, Trinity St David today (September 4) and tomorrow (September 5) and is live-streamed via a link on the Church in Wales website and YouTube channel

Please keep all those attending Governing Body in your prayers.

# Installation Service for New Cathedral Canons - 22nd September, 4pm



As previously announced, four new canons have been appointed to the Cathedral.

The following will be installed at a service of Choral Evensong at **4pm on Sunday 22nd September 2024**:

- The Revd Sally Ingle-Gillis, MAL in the Heart of Monmouthshire MA
- The Revd Justin Groves, Vicar in the Newport North West MA
- The Revd David Matthews, MAL in the Beechwood MA
- Captain Kathryn Stowers, Divisional Ecumenical Officer for the Salvation Army

Everyone is welcome to attend this special service.



The Revd Dr Catherine Haynes has been appointed as the tutor in worship and ministerial development at St Padarn's Institute.

Catherine is currently a Vicar in Monmouth Marches ministry area and her work in the diocese also included time as the diocesan children's adviser.

She recently completed a ThD in liturgy and church history at the University of Helsinki.

Catherine will start her new role on November 4th and we offer our prayers for her future and thanks for all she has brought to the diocese.

Many churches are thinking about how to become more welcoming and inclusive of autistic children and adults in our congregations. We know that autistic people are less likely than average to attend church, and there is a growing body of research about the experience of autistic people in worship and church spaces.

This short video summarises a recent piece of research, and gives some suggestions for church communities:



Ann Memmott has produced a longer guidance document, designed for the Church of England, which can be found here: <a href="https://www.oxford.anglican.org/autism">https://www.oxford.anglican.org/autism</a>

The online group 'Autism Consecrated' (<a href="https://autismconsecrated.com/">https://autismconsecrated.com/</a>) offer reflective articles on the particular insights of autistic people into faith and spirituality.

They also offer prayer resources for private and public use.

The Centre for Autism and Theology at the University of Aberdeen (<a href="https://www.abdn.ac.uk/sdhp/resources-1732.php">https://www.abdn.ac.uk/sdhp/resources-1732.php</a>) offers links to publications by staff whose field of research is autism, neurodiversity, and theology. The centre also produces two podcasts each month.

The named episodes focus on a piece of research or a new publication in the field of autism and theology, and the 'CATChat' episodes provide a more reflective space with a less academic focus.

The Church In Wales have alerted us to a scam male caller who appears to be targeting clerics in St. Davids diocese, but may also have contacted clerics within Llandaff.

Last weekend, a male person who identifies himself as James and describes himself as an 'Irish traveller' has been contacting clerics and requesting money to be transferred into his wife's account. He provides an account that he needs a small amount of money, to enable him to tax his van, as the police keep moving him, his wife, and children on.

On the 28/08/2024, the male requested £42 to make up the shortfall to tax his van.

The relatively small amount is requested, not to heighten suspicion and more importantly to allow access to the sender's bank details. The male provided a mobile phone number of 07432470647. The cleric declined to transfer the money.

The most recent contact by the male will be reported to the police and clerics are encouraged to report any similar calls to the police and decline the above mobile phone number.

#### Items For Redistribution - St Peter's, Pantside



# CLOSED CHURCH INVENTORY

| Church Name: | St Peter's Pantside |
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Please click on the button below to view the list of items for redistribution from St Peter's Church, Pantside.

Click here to view the Inventory of St Peter's, Pantside

If you are interested in any of the items listed please contact Fr Mark Owen at the church by email at <a href="markowen@cinw.org.uk">markowen@cinw.org.uk</a> by Friday September 6th.

#### **Training**

# **Safeguarding Training Dates**



The dates for the next round of safeguarding training sessions have been released by The Church In Wales and can be found below.

**Module A Training Sessions:** 

Saturday 12th October - 9:30am - 10:30am

St Mary's Church Hall, Panteg, NP4 0PH

**Module B Training Sessions:** 

Thursday 12th September - 6pm - 8pm

St Mary's Church, Caldicot, NP26 4HN

Tuesday 1st October - 9:30am - 11:30am

Shirenewton Church Rooms, Chepstow, NP16 6RQ

Saturday 12th October - 10:30am - 12:30pm

St Mary's Church Hall, Panteg, NP4 0PH

Friday 8th November - 10:00am - 12:00noon

Monmouth Priory, Monmouth, NP25 3NX

**Module C Training Sessions:** 

### Saturday 28th September - 10:00am - 1:00pm

Christ Church, Abergavenny, NP7 7EB

Online Training dates are as follows:

Module B Training via **Zoom**:

Tuesday 17th September - 10:00am - 12noon

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Friday 11th October - 10:00am - 12noon

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Thursday 24th October - 1:00pm - 3:00pm

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Wednesday 13th November - 6:00pm - 8:00pm

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Thursday 21st November - 1:30pm - 3:30pm

To find out when your Safeguarding training is due for renewal, please contact Vicki Stevens at Monbishpa@churchinwales.org.uk or by phone on **01633 263510**.

**Safeguarding Training Booking Form** 

To book onto the sessions please click on the button to access the CiW web booking form

or contact the team via email at <u>safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk</u> or by phone on **07376 199668**.

Contact details for all of the safeguarding team can be found here:

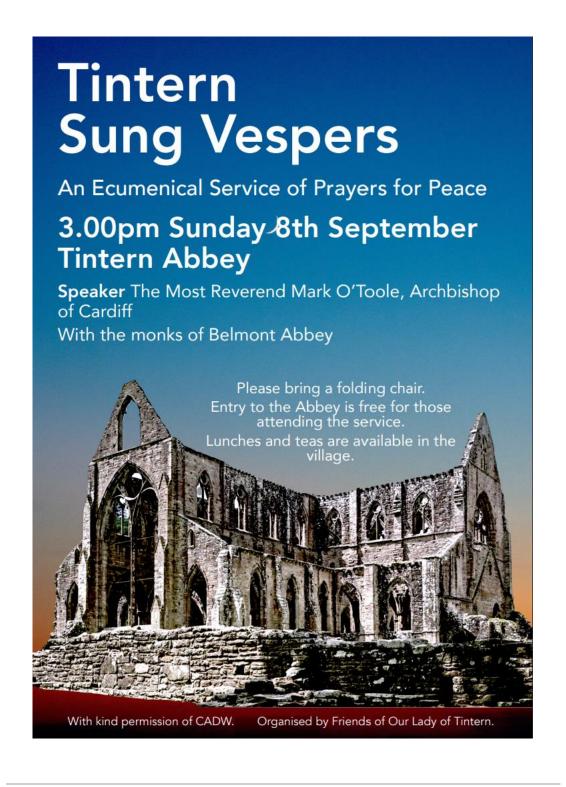
Meet the team - The Church in Wales

The Provincial Safeguarding Officer for the Diocese of Monmouth is **Colin Taylor** who can be contacted via email at **colintaylor@cinw.org.uk** or by phone on **07956 790330**.

#### Pray With Pride - 6th September, 7:30pm



You are all warmly invited to come and join in the Service of Prayers for Peace at the Annual Sung Vespers at Tintern Abbey this year. The service begins at **3pm** on **Sunday** and the Archbishop of Cardiff will be preaching.



# St Deiniol Lecture - 11th September, 7:30pm

The next St Deiniol Lecture, "Little and Large", will be by Heulwen and Chris Philpot, who are very welcome newcomers to Itton having moved there not long ago.

Chris works for the enormous and vital charity Water Aid, and Heulwen and he run a small charity, Resource Uganda, which works to equip a church in rural Uganda. The two organisations are vastly different in scale but their aims are similar!



All are welcome; please join them to hear more about these charities, so different in some ways, so similar in others. Please also invite friends along who may be interested.

There will be a chance to buy Ugandan crafts afterwards and there will be light refreshments.

# Monmouth Diocese Mothers' Union Newport Deanery



A celebration of the HOLY EUCHARIST for The Mothers' Union valedictory Deanery Service

2.00pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024

at Newport Cathedral hosted by the St Woolos Cathedral Branch.

ALL WELCOME!

The change of Mothers' Union branch groupings next year into an Archdeaconry grouping will mean that this will be our last Deanery Festival for Newport Deanery.

All members past and present are invited to attend with a special welcome to clergy who have supported them over the years.

Clergy are invited to robe in surplice and (white) stole and are asked to inform **Canon John Connell** at the Cathedral by e-mail if they will be present and intend to robe: johnconnell@cinw.org.uk

# New date arranged for Quiet Day as

7th September event is cancelled

#### September Quiet Day at Tymawr Convent

We regret that the Quiet Day on 7th September with Rachel Mann is **cancelled**.



We have however, arranged a Quiet Day on **Saturday 14th September**, which will be lead by Graham James, Honorary Assistant Bishop in Truro diocese and an Associate of Tymawr for many years. His title and theme for the day will be Cross and Cosmos: the matter of the world seen through John's gospel - Of the four gospels, John's is arguably the one most concerned with the world, as well as how we are to live in the light of both Cross and Resurrection. We will focus particularly on John 21, the frequently overlooked epilogue to John's gospel which brings these themes together.

The Day will follow the same pattern as previous Quiet Days, starting with Morning Prayer at 9.30am (for those who can make the earlier time); registration and coffee at 10.00am followed by a talk; Eucharist at midday; an afternoon talk; Vespers and tea.

You are asked to bring your own lunch.

The 14th is the Feast of Holy Cross, Tymawr's patronal festival, so we will have a sung Mass, celebrated by our Bishop Visitor, Dominic Walker OGS.

Please email the Chaplain, **Revd. Dr. Jean Prosser**, on **SSCchaplain@gmail.com** if you can join us for the Quiet Day on 14th September.

# Save the Date! Ecumenical Service - 29th September, 6pm



An Ecumenical Service on the theme of friendship is due to be held at Newport Cathedral on **Sunday 29th September at 6pm.** 

Please save the date in your diaries!!

#### Resources

#### Homelessness Sunday - 6th October



Homelessness Sunday is more important than ever this year with homelessness charities across the board seeing dramatically increased demand for their services. Housing Justice is no different, with demand at the highest levels experienced in the 70 years since Housing Justice and its heritage organisations were founded.

We organise Homelessness Sunday on the Sunday before World Homeless Day each year, and this year's Homelessness Sunday falls on **6th October**. The theme is 'Homelessness ends with Communities' as the role that churches and communities play in ending local homelessness is vital.

Here you will find a range of resources to use if you are planning your own Homelessness Sunday Service either on 6th October or on another date of your choosing. These resources will be added to over the coming weeks and include prerecorded prayers, hymns, homilies, Junior Church resources and much more.

Please do let Housing Justice know what you are planning by emailing here.

Facebook Group for Churches in Wales from National Churches Trust



Join a new Facebook group for churches and chapels in Wales from National Churches Trust.

After successfully launching a group for North West England last month, National Churches Trust have now created a new group for Wales.

This community brings together people who volunteer, work for or care for churches, chapels or meeting houses in Wales, and people and organisations who want to support these places of worship to stay in good repair and in use.

There will be regular posts from the NCT team about training, grants, tips and advice, as well as from other organisations that want to see your church thrive. As Support Officers partner with churches to deliver crucial support, you'll also hear encouraging stories too from other churches on similar journeys to yours.

Whether your building is unlisted or listed, a chapel, church or meeting house and no matter your denomination, NCT would be delighted for you to join the conversation.

Join the group here



Join us for the Pray with Pride service from the Cathedral, this Friday at 7:30pm

You can watch the Pray with Pride service here

Join us for the Trinity 14 service from the Cathedral, this **Sunday** at **10:30am** 

You can watch the Trinity 15 service here