



Friday Round Up

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

Live-streamed Services & Reflections:

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

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

Join an Advent Carol Service from the Cathedral on Sunday at 5pm [here](#).



Ministry Areas Update

In last week's Friday Round-up we told you that several key meetings were happening this week to discuss new plans for Ministry Areas in the Diocese. Following positive meetings with the Standing Committee and Clergy, those plans are now up on the diocesan website [here](#).

On the website you will find a few different documents that will help you to understand the plans and process that we are about to start. You will find –

- [Bishop Cherry's Vision for Ministry Areas](#)
- [A list of Churches and Ministry Areas in the Gwent Valleys Archdeaconry](#)
- [A list of Churches and Ministry Areas in the Newport Archdeaconry](#)
- [A list of Churches and Ministry Areas in the Monmouth Archdeaconry](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Please take some time to read these documents. If you would like to comment on the plans at this stage we would encourage you to get in touch by e-mailing monmouthadministration@cinw.org.uk.

There is still more work to be done, but we aim to hold meetings with our planned Ministry Areas in the New Year.

Annual Returns

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

If you have not already submitted your annual return for 2019, please do so by Monday the 30th of November.

Financial Support for Parishes and Ministry Areas – Update

Following the recent extraordinary meeting of the Diocesan Board of Finance it was unanimously agreed to maintain support for parishes and ministry areas in Q4 at the same level as Q2 and Q3.

Therefore we will make a 40% rebate to all those parishes who can pay the final instalment of their 2020 Ministry Share due on the 15th January 2021.

Thank you to all those parishes who have generously chosen to donate their rebate to help another, this is so gratefully received.

The next meeting of the Diocesan Board of Finance is to be held on the 10th December 2020. Following this meeting we will communicate the 2021 Ministry Share and we will also let you know whether the DBF is in a position to provide further support for parishes in Q1 of 2021.

If you have any questions please contact Libby Morgan Owen, libbymorgan-owen@churchinwales.org.uk or ring 07508 801511.



Calling All Amateur Photographers

We know you are out there..... we've seen your work on social media over the last couple of months and it's been fantastic! Lockdown has given us all a different perspective on things - nature, wealth, health, family, freedom - what really matters to us! This new perspective has made us all better photographers!

A few months ago, Bishop Cherry announced that her three key areas of focus were around eco church and environmental issues; diversity and inclusion and social justice. We are encouraging you to share your interpretation of what this means in your church or parish in the form of a photograph. We will then use this imagery to in promotional material for the Diocese.

We would welcome entries from all age groups (we know children are great eco campaigners!), we just ask that you are happy for us to share your photographs to reflect a true picture of our diocese from those who live and worship here!

Photographs maybe used on our website/social media campaigns and many other promotional and informative material.

Entries should be sent to debragoddard@churchinwales.org.uk

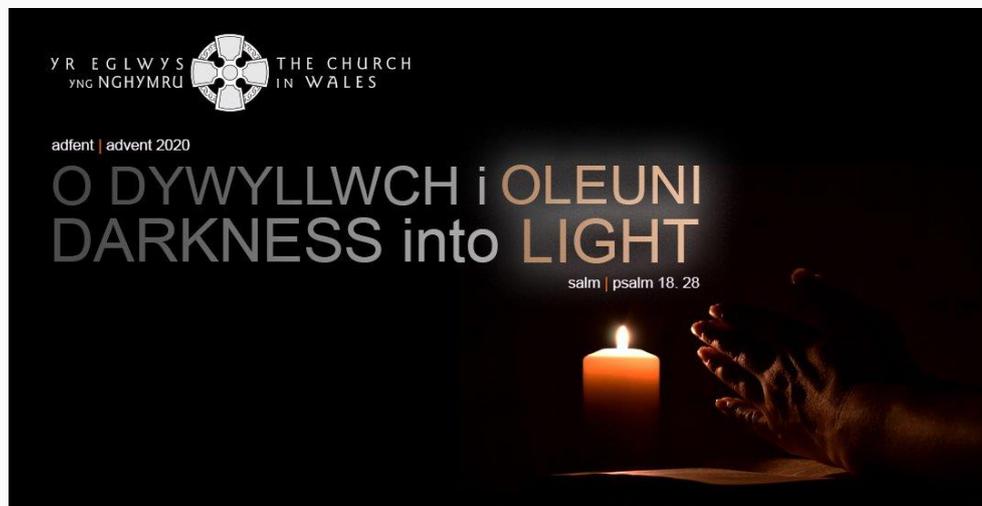
Find out more and read the terms and conditions [here](#).

Autumn CMD - Being Ministers in the New Normal



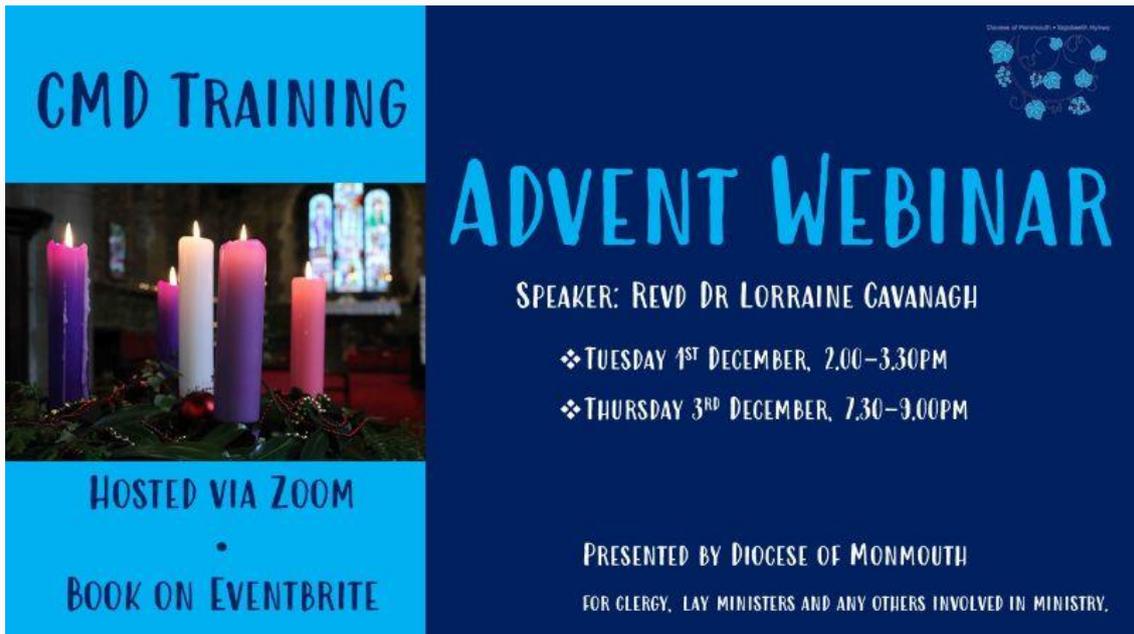
If you missed any of the sessions you can watch them back [here](#).

Darkness Into Light



Find out more about the Church in Wales' advent campaign, Darkness into Light. The campaign was launched earlier this week and aims to draw people to the light - the pure light we find in Christ's message of salvation for all and its reflection through the love and good works of those all around us. To mark Advent Sunday, all Church in Wales' cathedrals and greater churches will be transformed into beacons of light. Our largest buildings will be floodlit or lit up from inside on November 29 as a symbol of Christ's light and love in our communities. Find out more [here](#).

CMD: Advent Webinar

A promotional poster for a CMD Advent Webinar. The poster is split into two main color sections: a light blue section on the left and a dark blue section on the right. The left section features the text 'CMD TRAINING' at the top, a photograph of four lit Advent candles (purple, white, purple, red) in the center, and the text 'HOSTED VIA ZOOM' and 'BOOK ON EVENTBRITE' at the bottom. The right section features the Diocese of Monmouth logo at the top right, the title 'ADVENT WEBINAR' in large white letters, the speaker 'SPEAKER: REVD DR LORRAINE CAVANAGH', two dates: '❖ TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 2.00-3.30PM' and '❖ THURSDAY 3RD DECEMBER, 7.30-9.00PM', and the text 'PRESENTED BY DIOCESE OF MONMOUTH FOR CLERGY, LAY MINISTERS AND ANY OTHERS INVOLVED IN MINISTRY.' at the bottom.

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BOOK ON EVENTBRITE

PRESENTED BY DIOCESE OF MONMOUTH
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How can we sustain our own spiritual lives as ministers, as we begin an Advent season which will be so different to previous years? What does it mean to wait in anticipation of Christ's coming, when at the moment even the nature of our Christmas celebrations is so uncertain, let alone the next year or beyond?

Join us for this CMD Advent Webinar, with our speaker the Revd Dr Lorraine Cavanagh, to explore the great themes of Advent, and discuss what they might mean for us as ministers today. A webinar from the Diocese of Monmouth, for clergy, lay ministers and any others involved in ministry.

Book your place here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cmd-advent-webinar-registration-129895570147>

Preparing for Christmas - a quiet day with Audrey Hamilton

Presented by the Diocese of Monmouth, hosted by Bishop Cherry



**PREPARING
FOR CHRISTMAS**

A QUIET DAY WITH AUDREY HAMILTON

SATURDAY 19TH DECEMBER

11.00AM – 3.00PM

'Art can touch us at deep levels, opening ourselves to the loving touch of God in often unexpected ways'

• HELD VIA ZOOM • REGISTER ON EVENTBRITE •



Everyone welcome!

A firm believer that works of art can touch us at deep levels, opening ourselves to the loving touch of God in often unexpected ways, Audrey offers this Quiet Day in preparation for Christmas. Using a variety of images, we will be invited to pause and rest, allowing the Word that we long for to speak to our hearts.

No knowledge of art is required – just a heart open to the God who has fashioned you as his own work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he has meant us to live it (Eph 2:10).

Book a place: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/preparing-for-christmas-a-quiet-day-with-audrey-hamilton-registration-129934207713>



About Audrey Hamilton

Formed in the Ignatian tradition, and currently studying with the Carmelites in Boars Hill near Oxford, Audrey has spent many years offering spiritual accompaniment, courses on prayer and retreat days / workshops in parishes and other venues. Her most recent role was in spirituality outreach for the London Jesuit Centre, where, amongst a variety of offerings, she developed sessions on praying with art.

She holds a Masters Degree in Christian Spirituality from Heythrop College (University of London).

She lives in Middlesex with her husband and cat, and in joyful babysitting distance of her two gorgeous granddaughters.

#MinistryMaintenance

National Maintenance Week, 20 - 27 Nov



Maintenance week is coming to an end – but if you have any issues with church buildings or faculties contact Jonathan Perons, our new DAC secretary, 07950 644023

jonathanperons@churchinwales.org.uk

We've published videos and resources on our social media accounts aspects of church maintenance under the hashtag #MinistryMaintenance every day this week.

Go to our [website](#) to find out more!

Advent Resource - Jesse Tree Family Pack

Newport North Ministry Area have created an amazing Jesse Tree Family pack to give out which they're happy to share.

Download it [here](#).

Memory Trees



These memory or celebration trees were made by patients in St.Cadoc's as part of a rehab and occupational therapy programme. A huge number of trees were made earlier this year and used at different hospital sites for staff to write messages or hang things that symbolised hope. Rev Alan Tyler has a spare tree available for any parish who may like it, please email him at Alan.Tyler@wales.nhs.uk if you'd be interested.



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.
