

Friday Round Up

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

News

Installation of The Archdeacon of Monmouth and Cathedral Canons



On Sunday 20th June at 3pm The Revd Canon Ian Rees will be installed at the Cathedral as the Archdeacon of Monmouth and Director of Ministry and Discipleship in a Choral Evensong.

Mr Rod Davies, Mrs Fay Howe, Mr Peter Lea, The Revd Mark Owen, Major Colin Walsh and

Ms Caroline Woollard will also be installed as Cathedral Canons.

You can watch the service live [here](#).

Ordinations Next Week!

Ordinations to be held at Newport Cathedral on Saturday 26th June 2021, at 10.30am

To be ordained Deacon

- **Mandy East** to serve in Magor Ministry Area with the Revd Canon Jeremy Harris
- **Andrew Nelmes** to serve in the Upper Islwyn Ministry Area with Revd Canon Mark Owen
- **Karin Pardoe** to serve in the Cwmbran Ministry Area with Revd Frieda Evans and Revd Nick Perry

To be ordained Priest

- **The Revd Kay Denly** to continue to serve in the Wentwood Ministry Area with the Revd Canon Jeremy Harris
- **The Revd Mary Moore** to continue to serve in the Abergavenny Ministry Area with the Revd Gaynor Burrett
- **The Revd Liz Houghton** to continue to serve in the Newport North Ministry Area with the Revd Rebecca Stevens

Diocese of Monmouth

Please keep all those to be ordained in your prayers.

You can watch the ordination service live [here](#).



Journeying with refugees

To mark Refugee Week (June 14-20) we hear from the Revd Martin Reynolds, a retired vicar in Newport and a former Care Forum Wales award winner, who has welcomed a refugee family of six to share his home.

This morning sees all the Habibi family at the dentist. Just one small filling for Rahim, 17, who seems to live on sweets and crisps. Both older boys are going on a driving course my husband found at the sports village. They're excited.

We failed to find a functioning residential summer school for them yesterday. They aren't so enthusiastic, looking at online versions later, Rahim already has a C at English GCSE after a year's study. Amir, nearly 16, struggles more, as he had next to no schooling in Afghanistan.

Sashi, three, and her father Dinesh arrive at 10am. The little Habibis - Asenat also three, and Jack, 18 months, rush to meet her, screaming a half-term welcome. Sashi and her doctor mum are from Pondicherry in India. We met at the school gate in March, the first contact they had had outside work since they came in September. They too are now sharing our home.

The Habibis live in the part of the house we converted for my mother's use 20 years ago. They have overflowed into our side since lockdown, with the older boys needing quiet for Zoom school lessons. We are converting the garage into four bedsits for the future. The architect is due tomorrow for final discussion.

We also have two men with complex needs living here. Andrew, 33, has been with us part-time since he was four, full-time since he joined our family at 14. He has struggled with the complete loss of normal life since lockdown. For an individual who finds a minor variation in his life difficult, it's torment.

This same isolation is felt all the time by most refugees - they live in a lockdown that for many lasts several years. No permission to work, no real home and often no family.

Read the full article [here](#).



Taith Adfent

You may remember at Advent our schools took part in the Taith Adfent project, all about welcoming people who seek sanctuary, these are the findings.

Wales has a rich and distinctive culture with its own language, customs, festivals, music and politics. It has the reputation of being a country that extends a warm welcome, yet how do we interrogate that welcome? How do we model that welcome and teach our children and young people of its importance?

Research took place in schools across Wales, each school was given a copy of the book *Refuge* by Anne Booth as a stimulus for the project, which focused on three main aims.

1. To increase children's awareness and understanding of the concept of people seeking sanctuary.
2. To understand how the church school ethos supports and enhances children's ability to reflect on the concept of refuge.
3. To explore whether children's attitudes and behaviours have changed and how the Christian ethos has supported this change.

You can read the case study [here](#).

Young Christian Climate Network - Relay to COP26

There's just three weeks until the relay gets to Monmouth and we'd love as many people from our diocese as possible to be involved!



Would you like to walk part of the route?

Walkers of any age are welcome but under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

Here are the options for the days in our diocese:

Walk the **13 miles between Cardiff and Newport on the 8th of July**, stopping at St Teilos CiW High School, ending with a welcome event at the Cathedral with MSs, MPs and the CiW Climate Champion, Julia Edwards.

Walk the **12 miles between the Cathedral and Magor, on the 9th of July**, stopping in Nash, following the costal path with a welcome service in St Mary's Magor.

Walk the **10 miles between Magor and Chepstow, on the 10th of July**, stopping in Caldicot, with a welcome service at St Mary's Chepstow.

Walk the **12 miles between Chepstow and Bradley Stoke on the 11th of July**, starting with a breakfast BBQ and being accompanied by local school children to wave the main group off over the bridge.

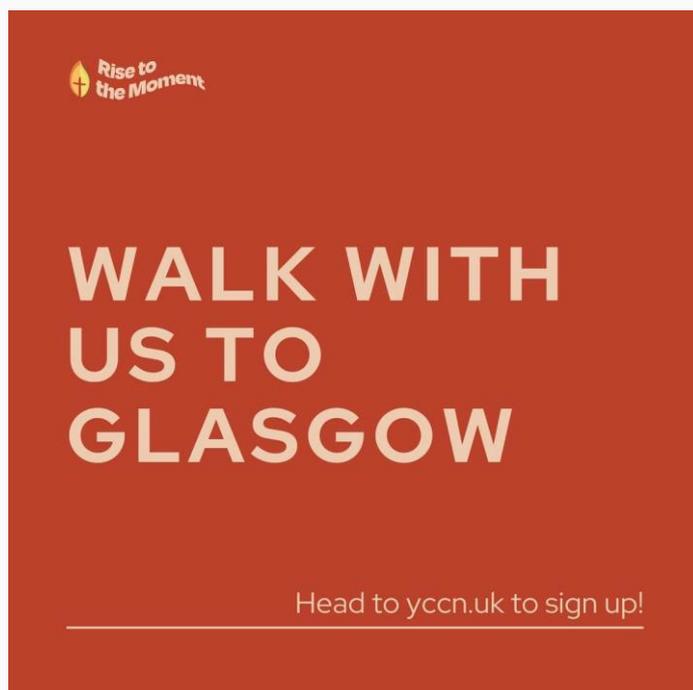
You can find out more from YCCN and sign up [here](#).

If you don't want to walk but would still like to be involved, could you sign up to be on-call support?

You would transport bags on the day and help out if a walker gets injured and needs to be transported off route.

Find out more about the role [here](#).

Climate change is one of the most significant obstacles of our time. We hope you will join us in stepping forward to help safeguard God's gift of creation. Please encourage your friends and family to take part too. Every voice matters.



Churches invited to go yellow for St John



Churches are being invited to mark St John's Day by paying tribute to first aid volunteers. They are invited to join other major landmarks in Wales by lighting up in yellow on St John's Day, June 24, to show appreciation for the work of St John Ambulance Cymru during the pandemic.

St John the Baptist is the patron saint of St John Ambulance and yellow is the charity's brand colour.

St John Ambulance Cymru Chief Executive Officer, Helen Smith says, "Across the pandemic, our staff and volunteers have given thousands of hours of their time and expertise. They have played a pivotal role in supporting the NHS in Wales, providing care at field hospitals, transporting patients on ambulances, and delivering prescription medication to people shielding from the coronavirus.

"Our work continues in communities across Wales where our efforts are now focussing on supporting of the nation's vaccination programme, ensuring no one goes without the care they need."

The Revd David Morris, Dean of the Priory for Wales of St John Ambulance Cymru, says, "St John Ambulance Cymru has enjoyed a very close friendship with the Church in Wales for more than 100 years and the Order of St John has deep Christian roots. As we celebrate the birth of St John the Baptist on June 24, I encourage our cathedrals and churches to join in the national light up in yellow to express our admiration and gratitude for the thousands of hours of service the staff and volunteers of St John Ambulance Cymru have given to Welsh communities during the Coronavirus pandemic."

The National Library of Wales, Wales Millennium Centre and University of Wales Trinity St David are among the landmarks acknowledging the light up.

For more information see www.sjacymru.org.uk



Treasurers Meeting

Our postponed Treasurers Meeting has been rearranged for the 23rd of June at 6:30pm. Treasurers who were originally booked on have been emailed, there are a few spaces remaining so if you would like to attend please email Libby (libbymorgan-owen@churchinwales.org.uk).

Annual Returns - **deadline passed**

Thank-you to everyone who has submitted their annual finance return and a copy of the independently examined accounts (including balance sheet).

Treasurers/clergy have been contacted for churches with things outstanding, if there are any problems or you need any assistance please let Libby know asap (07508 801511, libbymorgan-owen@cinw.org.uk)

Help Needed!

St Padarns are putting together a booklet about Readers Ministry and are looking for photos of Readers to include.

If you have any please contact Angharad.Gaylard@stpadarns.ac.uk

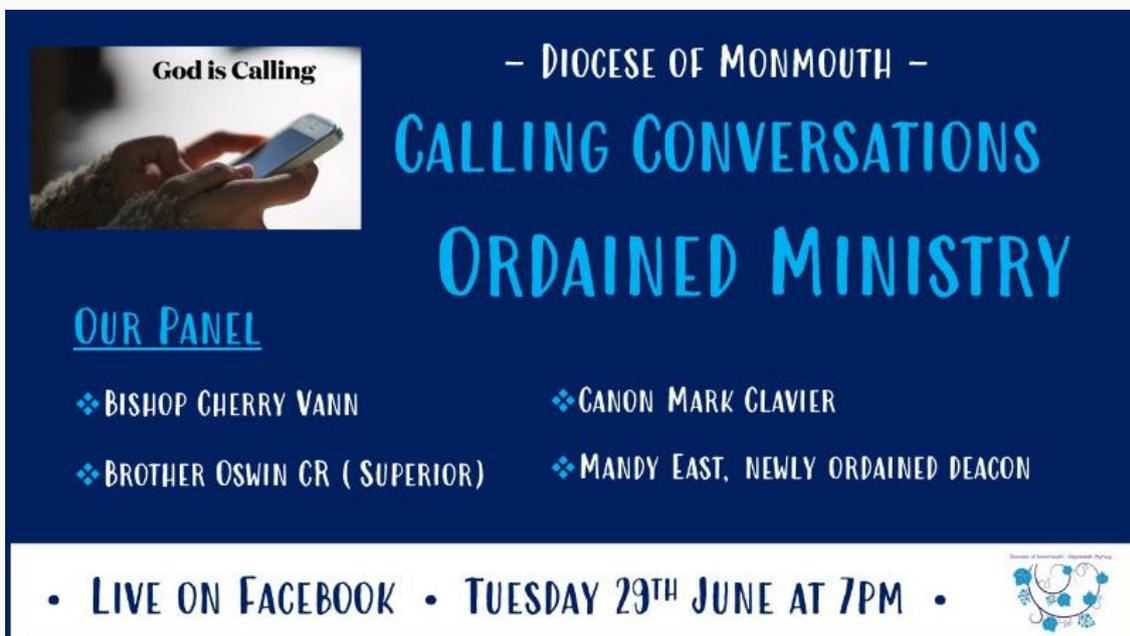
Training/Events

Calling Conversations

Find out more about our past and upcoming sessions

here: https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/prayer_and_spirituality/vocations/calling-conversations/

Including the next session on the 29th of June on Ordained Ministry



God is Calling

– DIOCESE OF MONMOUTH –

CALLING CONVERSATIONS ORDAINED MINISTRY

OUR PANEL

- ❖ BISHOP CHERRY VANN
- ❖ CANON MARK CLAVIER
- ❖ BROTHER OSWIN CR (SUPERIOR)
- ❖ MANDY EAST, NEWLY ORDAINED DEACON

• LIVE ON FACEBOOK • TUESDAY 29TH JUNE AT 7PM •



Safeguarding Training

Part 1

Friday 2 July 10.00am

Monday 5 July 14.00pm

Tuesday 6 July 18.00pm

Wednesday 14 July 10.00am

Part 2

Friday 16 July 10.00am

Tuesday 20 July 18.00pm

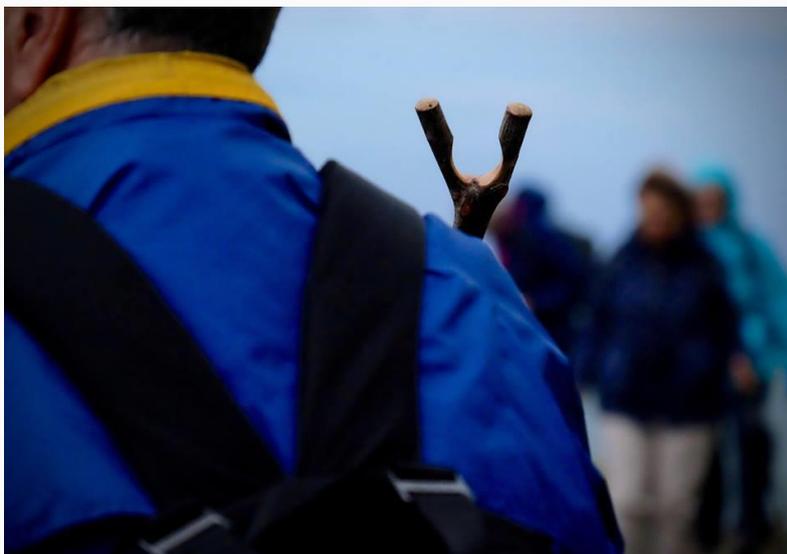
Thursday 22 July 14.00pm

Tuesday 27 July 14.00pm

If you would like to attend a session please email safeguardingtraining@stpadarns.ac.uk to book.

Tintern Abbey and the Wye Valley *Walking in the spirit of pilgrimage*

Saturday July 10th 2021



Gather at historic Tintern Abbey before setting out in the spirit of pilgrimage to explore this lovely part of the Wye Valley with Journeying, a non-profit-seeking Christian organisation.

For more details visit the website: <https://www.journeying.co.uk/day-walks2>



Srebrenica Memorial Week

Srebrenica Memorial Week will be taking place 4th – 11th July. Communities across the UK

will commemorate the 26th anniversary of the genocide, where over 8,000 Bosnian Muslim men and boys lost their lives.

[Remembering Srebrenica](#) is a charity dedicated to creating a safe society for all. A range of resources to support acts of commemoration, including a statement to mark the anniversary, speeches, interfaith prayers which can be found [here](#).

Services and Resources

Join a Trinity 3 Service from the Cathedral on Sunday at 10:30am [here](#).

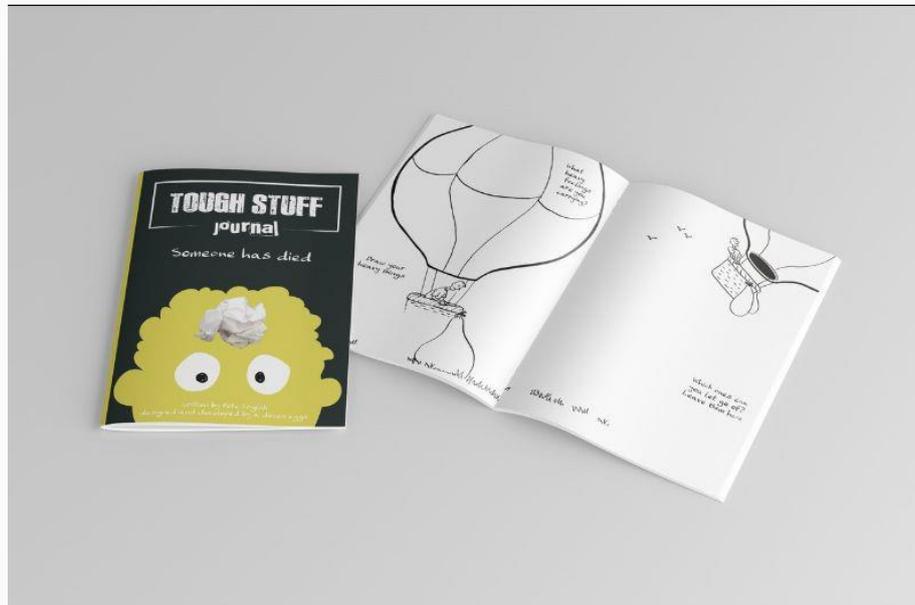
DAC Guidance Notes

Churches can be complex buildings to look after, and it can be a challenge to know where to begin with maintaining them while protecting the historic fabric of the church. Monmouth DAC has now produced a series of Guidance Notes for a variety of areas from drainage to advertising regulations. These notes are aimed to guide you and your church in the right direction with preparing both the faculty paperwork and physical building work involved.

For more information, please see link below or contact: JonathanPerons@churchinwales.org.uk

[DAC Guidance Notes](#)

Listening People training for those who work with young people



Do you work with children and young people? Do you feel as though you would benefit from some training in how to support them? At a Loss ListeningPeople training and resources provide tools for teachers, youth workers, counsellors and anyone who works with young people to safely and confidently enable them to engage around the difficult topic of loss. View the resources [here](#).

The next online training is on Thursday 17th June at 7pm. Book your place [here](#).

If you would like to discuss bespoke training for a group of people, please contact Pete English pete@ataloss.org

Our Schools



Using some of the resources available from Christian Aid, the Church in Wales has produced a new project. This one is called Ffrindiau'r Byd and blends Religious Education with the Eco aspect of the curriculum. Resources for this project are available through our Diocesan website:

[Resources - Monmouth Diocese \(churchinwales.org.uk\)](http://churchinwales.org.uk)

The project can be run at any time of the year. Creationtide may be an ideal occasion.

Climate Emergency Competition

Following the Church in Wales calling a Climate Emergency the Education Teams thought it important to ask the views of the children and young people in our schools about these matters. Therefore, they are asking: If they could say something to the people in charge, the leaders of our governments and communities about looking after our planet, what would they say?

Find out more about the competition [here](#).