



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

News

The five branches of our Diocesan Vision - Equality & Diversity



Archdeacon Stella asks us what assumptions and attitudes God is opening our eyes up to in order to make our church communities places of 'explicit welcome'.

You can watch previous videos in the series on our YouTube channel [here](#).

Diocesan Conference



We are looking forward to this year's Conference which will be held in person for the first time since 2019.

Thank-you to those people who have sent their apologies, these have all been recorded. If you are attending we would be grateful if you could bring a reusable cup with you for refreshments.

Details of the livestream of Conference will be sent out later this week.

Training and Events



Safeguarding Training Dates

This terms Safeguarding Training sessions are now available. Please see below for details of the modules available and how to book.

Module A: Safeguarding Awareness

The Church in Wales Safeguarding Awareness Course is aimed at everyone within our church communities, and is intended to equip you to help make the church – and keep the church – a safe place.

It can be accessed via our

website <https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/> and takes approximately 45 minutes. Everyone who needs to undertake any further safeguarding training modules will need to complete this first. There is an in person sessions to book onto if people do not have access to the internet:

18/10/2022	Tuesday	11.00-12.00	Monmouth Diocesan Office, Newport
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Module B: Understanding Safeguarding and the Church

This module is a closer look at safeguarding in the church context and applies it to the ministry, mission or service that our clergy, laity and volunteers undertake. It is an opportunity for people to reflect on their role within the church and to understand what their individual responsibility is within the wider context of safeguarding in the church. It is a requirement that all clergy and anyone who has a role which involves working with children, young people and adults at risk complete this safeguarding training to equip and support them in their work. The training dates for the Diocese of Monmouth this term are:

18/10/2022	Tuesday	13.00-15.30	Diocesan Office, Newport
19/10/2022	Wednesday	18.30-21.00	St Tewdric's Church, Mathern
29/10/2022	Saturday	10.00-12.30	Tredegar Park MA, St.Basil's Church Hall
15/11/2022	Tuesday	13.30-16.00	Monmouth Diocesan Office, Newport

Module E: Understanding Safeguarding and the Church for PTOs

We also have Module E now on offer – this is **instead of Module B** for those who are in a PTO role.

15/11/2022	Tuesday	09.30-12.00	Monmouth Diocesan Office, Newport
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Places can be booked via our webform on our Safeguarding Training webpage <https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>.

Any questions can be emailed

to safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk or rebeccajones@churchinwales.org.uk.

St Padarn's CMD Autumn Training Programme

As you will hopefully be aware, St Padarn's is currently offering a fairly comprehensive series of half-day and full-day training courses to be delivered through Autumn 2022 and the first few months of 2023 for clergy and licensed lay ministers. The courses themselves are a mix of online and in-person events. The full list of courses for the Autumn programme can be found here:

<https://www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/continuing-ministerial-development/>

Whilst the take up for the courses has been generally good, there are a number where bookings are low and which, without additional participants, there is a risk that they may need to cancel them where facilitators have requested a minimum number of attendees. The in-person courses in Wrexham, Nantgaredig, Swansea, and Cardiff shown below are most at risk.

Tuesday October 25th - Managing Conflict - Bridge Builders - Hope St, Wrexham*

Thursday December 1st - Managing Conflict - Bridge Builders - Nantgaredig, Carmarthen*

Thursday 8th December - Effective Communication - Ruth Hassall - St Thomas, Swansea*

Friday 4th November - Effective Communication - Ruth Hassall - St Padarn's, Cardiff*

Thursday 17th November - Managing Change - Ruth Hassall - Zoom

Wednesday 9th November - Managing Time Effectively - Kathryn Delderfield - Zoom

If anyone would like to go to one or more of the courses please click on the link above to book.

Hogs on the Hill

As part of The Living Churchyard Project, and their commitment to Stewardship and the Environment, Newport Cathedral are launching Hogs on the Hill. Please do come along on **Monday 17th October** for the launch of this project and to learn how your church might be able to help save hedgehogs at little or no cost. 'Hedgehog Sue' from Home Help for Hedgehogs, will be at the cathedral at 7.00 pm to install the Hog Hotels, and at 7.30 pm. will give a short talk in the cathedral. All are very welcome.



Growing Good webinar with Bishop Lynne Cullens

Tuesday 18th October, 7:30-8:30pm

What is the relationship between social action and church growth? How is Christian social action distinct?

What practical steps can churches take to love their neighbours and share their faith? And how is church based social action being affected by the cost-of-living crisis?

This webinar will draw on research, reflection and experience, and along with Bishop Lynne Cullens, we'll hear from Hannah Rich, researcher at Theos think tank and author of the "GRA:CE : Growing Good" report.

We will also hear from church leaders who have used CUF's Growing Good Toolkit to help them take practical steps to connect social action and growth. There will also be a time for Q&A.

Find out more and book your place [here](#).

BOOK LAUNCH BY ROWAN WILLIAMS AT ST. TEILO'S CHURCH, LLANTILIO PERTHOLEY

We are delighted to be hosting the launch event for *A Century of Poetry: 100 poems for searching the heart* by Bishop Rowan Williams at St. Teilo's Church, Llantilio Pertholey, Abergavenny, NP7 6NU, on Tuesday 18th October at 7pm.

During the evening Bishop Rowan will be interviewed about the poems chosen in his book by film maker Alastair Laurence.

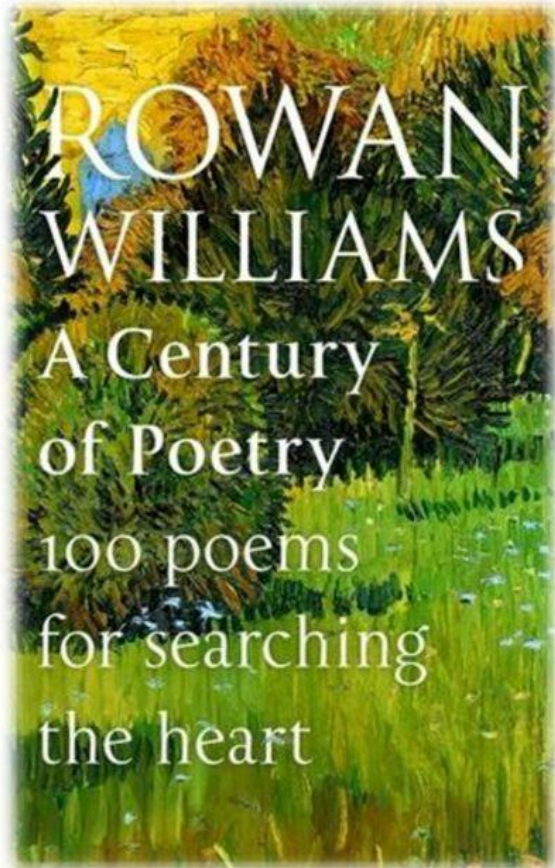
Books will be available to be purchased and signed / inscribed by the author.

Tickets for the event cost £15.00 and include refreshments (cheese and wine) and are available from St Teilo's Church, Bettws Chapel or online at:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/stteiloschurch-llantilio-pertholey


(Please note that *a booking fee of £1.26 applies online*)

For further information please contact Fr. Julian Gray on 01873 859881



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Gofal ein Gwinllan Autumn Series




Gofal ein Gwinllan
The contribution of the Church in Wales to the Welsh language, history, and culture of Wales


26 October 2022 - 7.00-8.30 pm
Cuppa and chat-8.30-9.00 pm

Guest speakers:

Thomas Richards, Darowen, and his sons Meg Elis	'Two literary ladies: Mair Richards Darowen, and Angharad Llwyd' Professor Sioned Davies
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To book your place click: <https://bit.ly/3SZd5s9>
* The session will be in Welsh but translation will be available

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The next series of Gofal ein Gwinllan, a series discussing the contribution of the Church in Wales to the language, history and culture of Wales, will start on the **26 October**.

To book a place use the link below:

<https://bit.ly/3SZd5s9>

26 October – 7.00-8.30 pm
(Cuppa and chat 8.30-9.00 pm)

Subjects Discussed:

Thomas Richards, Darowen, and his sons Meg Elis

'Two literary ladies: Mair Richards Darowen, and Angharad Llwyd'

Professor Sioned Davies

If you would like any further information please contact Angharad

Gaylard, Angharad.Gaylard@stpadarns.ac.uk

Healing, wholeness, and wellbeing

On **Sunday 30th October** (choir half term) Newport Cathedral's 'alternative worship,' will be a service of well-being. During the service Hilary Sloan, who works for Mind and is the cathedral's lay lead for 'Mind on the Hill' will introduce a few ideas and techniques to help promote wellbeing.

Red Lines and Resilience

Newport Cathedral are delighted that Peter Leonard, who was until recently the Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight, and prior to this Canon Chancellor at Portsmouth Cathedral, will be leading an evening on Red Lines and Resilience on **Tuesday 15th November** at 7: 30 p.m. (*note change of date*) in the Cathedral.

Peter is the Chief Executive of Family Links - The Centre for Emotional Health.

Newport Rugby-Newport Cathedral Remembrance Lecture

On Thursday 17th November at 7.30 pm, historian Peter Jones will be giving a lecture on the remarkable life of Charlie Pritchard at Newport Cathedral. Charlie was one of the very early giants of Newport Rugby and was a member of the Wales team who beat the New Zealand All Blacks in 1905. Charlie was one of thirteen Wales Internationals to be killed in the first world war. Please do come and learn about his remarkable life. On display will be the shirt that Charlie wore in that famous 1905 victory and other memorabilia. Copies of Peter's biography of Charlie will be available in the Cathedral Shop.

Housing Justice 'Discover the World of Hosting' online event - Thursday 27th October 6.30pm

DISCOVER THE WORLD OF HOSTING
THURSDAY, 27TH OCTOBER 6:30-8:30PM VIA ZOOM





Discover the World of Hosting online event
 People from all over the world are seeking sanctuary in Wales. The Hosting community offers safety and solidarity.
 Come and find out about:

- Who needs hosting and why
- What it means to be a refugee
- The power of the Hosting community
- How Housing Justice Cymru and EYST support hosts and guests.

This is an opportunity to ask questions and hear from experienced Hosts.



Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/2p89jhx7>

Housing Justice Cymru will be holding an online event on 27th October from 6.30pm to 8.30pm to raise awareness of the issues faced by refugees seeking sanctuary in Wales (please see attached flyer above).

Housing Justice Cymru feel that it is important that our communities understand why people flee their homes and come to Wales, and also understand the challenges they are faced with after arriving. They will discuss issues of destitution, homelessness, and exploitation, as well as explaining the difficulties presented by asylum law and policy.

There will be an opportunity for attendees to 'Discover the World of Hosting' and ask questions. There will also be guest speakers who are happy to discuss their experiences of hosting (some of whom are current hosts and some of whom have been helped by hosts during their asylum journey).

By partnering with EYST for this event, we will explain the history of hosting in Wales, how people can register to become hosts, and how Housing Justice supports hosts.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for those interested in hosting to learn more with no obligation! Here is the link to register for a free ticket:

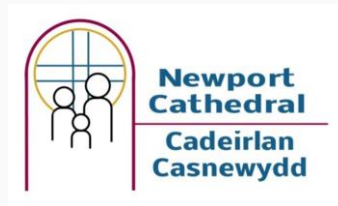
[Discover the World of Hosting Tickets, Thu 27 Oct 2022 at 18:30 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/discover-the-world-of-hosting-tickets-14848844444)

Survivors' Day Workshop – 29th November

Lorraine Cavanagh, Simon Plant and Caroline Plant will be speakers at the Survivors' Day Workshop hosted by the Church in Wales Safeguarding Team on **Tuesday 29th November**. Attendees might find it helpful to read Lorraine Cavanagh's most recent book, *Re-Building The Ruined Places: A Journey Out of Childhood Trauma*. It will be drawn on greatly within her presentation.

The book is now available on Amazon: https://www.amazon.co.uk/Re-Building-Ruined-Places-journey-childhood/dp/1739156706/ref=sr_1_6?keywords=Lorraine+Cavanagh+books&qid=1664534386&qu=eyJxc2MiOilyLjQ1liwicXNhljoiMC4wMCIsInFzcCI6IjAuMDAifQ%3D%3D&sr=8-6

Services and Resources



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

Vacancies

Two exciting new opportunities are available at St Mary's Priory, Abergavenny.

Facilities Officer

The St Mary's Priory Trustees are seeking to appoint a Facilities Officer for the extensive St Mary's Priory site at the heart of Abergavenny.

- Position is for 37 hours per week, normally Tuesday to Saturday
- Salary £18-20,000 dependent on experience.

For further details, and information on how to apply for the position, please contact Canon John Connell SCP by e-mail: rector@stmarys-priory.org

Closing date **Friday 14th October**.

Caretaker/Cleaner

The St Mary's Priory Trustees are also seeking to appoint a Caretaker/Cleaner for the St Mary's Priory site.

- Minimum of 15 hours per week at competitive rate

Enquiries to Mr Robin Smith, Treasurer robincsmith@btinternet.com

Closing date **Friday 14th October.**

Part-time Team Vicar - Islwyn Ministry Area

Is God calling you to South Wales and the welcoming communities of the Valleys?

Will you thrive working as part of a supportive team?

Would you like to explore new ways to connect with your community?

Can you enable others in discovering and using their gifts for God?

Then join Islwyn Ministry Area to 'Live out a Love without Limit'.

Based in the area of Blackwood and the surrounding communities you will be part of the Ministry Team covering the Islwyn Ministry Area with a focus on Oakdale and Fleur-de-lis.

They hope for a Priest who will:

- *Inspire us to join God in mission*
- *Lead worship in a variety of styles*
- *Be a builder of community relationships*
- *Engage with and Support people of all ages*
- *Take Risks for God*

If this is you... they would very much like to hear from you.

For an informal conversation please contact The Revd. Canon Mark Owen, Ministry Area Leader on 01443 836805 or fathermarkowen12@gmail.com

Application form and full profile available [here](#).

Applications should be submitted by email to:

archdeacon.gwentvalleys@churchinwales.org.uk

We are striving to be an inclusive diocese and would welcome applications from all suitably qualified clerics.

Closing date for applications: **Friday 28th October 2022**

House for Duty Priest - Monmouth Marches Ministry Area

Monmouth Marches Ministry Area are looking for a House for Duty Priest who will be:

- ❖ **Caring** - Pastoral care is the most important issue for us as a congregation and as a community. It is only someone who has a strong pastoral heart and a passion for encouraging, not only our congregation, but the extended community, that will be able to build positive relationships in the village and beyond.
- ❖ **Collaborative in nature** – Someone is needed who will work well with the Ministry Team, both lay and ordained, within the Ministry Area and who is a good team player.
- ❖ **Community focussed** – Having a visible and well known presence in the local communities and in the wider Ministry Area is really important, helping us to develop both our ministry of service and blessing to our diverse communities and our ministry to all people.
- ❖ **Engaging** – It is vital to have someone who has the energy and commitment to engage with the local communities and is sympathetic to the needs of rural communities and who is able to help facilitate a growth in cooperation and inter-action within our churches

Based in the lovely village of Llandogo and primarily working with churches around that area, you will also be part of a new Ministry Team covering the Monmouth Marches Ministry Area which has 20 church buildings and distinct communities.

Application form and full profile available at

<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/jobs/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:

archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

We are striving to be an inclusive diocese and would welcome applications from all suitably qualified clerics.

Closing date for applications: **Monday 14th November 2022**

For an informal conversation please contact:

The Venerable Ian Rees, Archdeacon of Monmouth on 07983 684151.

Team Vicar - Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area

Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area are looking for a Priest who will be:

- Caring - has a strong pastoral heart and passion for encouraging the members of each of the congregations in discipleship.
- Collaborative in nature - working well with the Ministry Team, lay and ordained, within the Ministry Area and is a good team player
- Committed to and understanding of the special nature of rural ministry with a desire to serve these communities and farming networks.
- Creative and imaginative in their approach to working with children, young people and families in schools and across the Ministry Area.

Based in the lovely village of Goetre and primarily working with churches around that area, you will also be part of a new Ministry Team covering the Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area which has 20 church buildings and distinct communities.

Application form and full profile available at

<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/jobs/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:

archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

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Closing date for applications: **Friday 18th November 2022**

For an informal conversation please contact:

The Rev'd. Kevin Hasler, Rector and Ministry Area Leader on 078 3679 5753.



Cytûn Churches Together in Wales

Cytûn, Churches Together in Wales is seeking applications for the post of **Chief Executive Officer** which will become vacant soon because of the retirement of the present post-holder the Rev Canon Aled Edwards.

The postholder will

- provide a visionary lead for ecumenism and public engagement by the Churches of Wales and will enable and carry forward the work programme and priorities set by the Cytun Board of Trustees in the service of the Churches.
- oversee support for the Covenant for Union in Wales through the Commission for Covenanted Churches.
- Support the Free Church Council
- manage a team that delivers the programme of work agreed by the board and member churches
- be a Christian who understands and accepts the basis of Cytûn
- be proficient at communicating in Welsh and English

For more information about Cytûn, the role, and the person we are looking for, see the Cytûn website <https://www.cytun.co.uk/hafan/en/vacancies/> or contact chair@cytun.cymru
Please apply online to chair@cytun.cymru

Please include the following:

- A comprehensive CV that includes your recent achievements and the details of two referees one of whom oversees your current work.
- An application letter that includes your reason for applying and the qualities that you will bring to the role.
- Applications must be received by 11th November 2022

Interviews will be held 25th November 2022

Please contact chair@cytun.cymru if you have any problems