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Esgobaeth Mynwy



Diocese of Monmouth



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

News

Scam Alert!

Please note one of our treasurers has received an email appearing to be from their Ministry Area Leader, asking for money to purchase gifts for the ministry team.

Please be vigilant and **if asked for money through an email, even if you think you know the person asking, always phone them to check.** Do not click on links or attachments from emails if you have any doubt as to their authenticity.



Important - Annual Vestry Meetings

The Archdeacons have drafted a document outlining the procedures for the upcoming Annual Vestry Meetings. This information has already been circulated to Ministry Area Leaders earlier in the week and it is attached below for all members of our Ministry Areas Councils to refresh their knowledge.

Download: [Annual Vestry Meetings 2023](#)

Visit to Highveld Diocese



As mentioned in Bishop Cherry's pastoral letter in October 2022, planning is underway to visit our link diocese, the Highveld in South Africa, later this year. The dates set aside for the trip are **10-19 November 2023**, arriving back in the UK on the morning of 20 November. Whilst final itineraries and costs are yet to be confirmed, ***please can you let the Bishop's PA, Vicki Stevens know by Friday 24 March if you would be interested in being part of the trip.*** For those of you who have already expressed an interest, Vicki will be contacting you in the coming weeks to confirm you still wish to attend.

We are hoping that a number of clergy will be part of the trip and lay people are also welcome. There are some grants available that could help with the cost of the trip.

Please contact Vicki on monbishpa@churchinwales.org.uk with any queries or to register your interest.



Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

It is our hope and prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow him.

Join others across the diocese in praying for God's renewal. A simple place to start is to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part and join in as an individual or as a church.

For more information, ideas and resources for all ages check out this website: [Thy Kingdom Come](#)



Building Improvement Grants Programme

Protecting and enhancing Christian buildings

As part of a new-look grants framework, the Benefact Trust have just launched their Building Improvement Grants Programme to protect and enhance Christian buildings, ensuring their continued use for generations to come and safeguarding their rich heritage.

The new programme is open to applications from churches, cathedrals, denominational bodies, and Christian charities. It will support capital costs such as essential repairs and improvements, conservation and restoration, and energy efficiency measures – just to name a few!

They recognise that protecting these buildings and spaces is vital when it comes to supporting worship and the needs of the wider community.

To find out more and see the new grants scheme, go here: [Benefact Trust](#)



Is your church looking to celebrate the King's coronation with your community?

National Lottery Awards for All funding (£300 to £10,000) is available to support events and activities that celebrate and commemorate The King's Coronation on or around the weekend of 6th-8th May 2023.

The awards themselves don't have a deadline but it can take up to 12 weeks from the point of application to receiving funding. For more information, [click here](#).

Training & Events

Severn Theological Forum

Dr Rowan Williams will be speaking on '*The Long Shadow of "Holy Russia"; the Background to the Ukraine Crisis*' on **Tuesday 14th March** at the University of Gloucester. You can also join online - please contact Revd Philip Averay for the zoom link on revphilipaveray@gmail.com

Understanding the appalling catastrophe in Ukraine requires us to understand a bit about the history of the region, especially the history of certain persistent ways of thinking about Russia's special vocation, and about the conflicts of East and West played out in Ukraine over the centuries. This talk will attempt to throw some light on this history and its lasting impact.

For more information about this event, please download:

[Severn Theological Forum](#)

LGBTQIA+ Clergy and Diocesan Officers Social Evening

6.45pm, Thursday 11th May 2023 at Bishopstow, Newport

Bishop Cherry would like to invite LGBTQIA+ clergy and diocesan officers, along with their partners to meet and enjoy fellowship together. Those new to the diocese are especially welcome.

Drinks and canapés will be provided.

There is limited parking at Bishopstow, available on a first come basis, with on-street parking next to the Cathedral available free of charge. This is only a short walk from Bishopstow.

To plan the refreshments, please can you RSVP to Bishop Cherry's PA, Vicki Stevens at monbishpa@churchinwales.org.uk by **Friday 28th April 2023**, along with any dietary requirements.

Services & Resources



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

ESGOBAETH MYNWY - GWASANAETHAU CYMRAEG

Mawrth 11
March 11
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

9.30
am / y.b.

St Thomas
Trefynwy
/ Monmouth

Ewcharist
Eucharist

Ebrill 18
April 18
Dydd Mawrth
/ Tuesday

10.30
am / y.b.

St John,
Maindee,
Casnewydd
/ Newport

Ewcharist: St.
Mark
*Eucharist: St
Mark*

Mai 13
May 13
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

9.30
am / y.b.

St Thomas
Trefynwy
/ Monmouth

Ewcharist
Eucharist

Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Ruth Willis: ruth_willis05@hotmail.com
For further information contact Ruth Willis: ruth_willis05@hotmail.com

Vacancies

Prison Chaplaincy (part-time)

Usk/Prescoed prisons have a vacancy for a part time ordained chaplain. It would be for 3 days a week, and would include a service or two on Sundays (times can be negotiated). Initially the post would be from March 2023 to March 2024 and in this time the salary would be paid on an hourly rate (about £13 per hour). Travelling time and expenses will also be paid.

There is a hope, but not a certainty, that the role will continue and even be made into a full time position after the initial year and, if that happens, it would need to be advertised again.

If you are interested in finding out more details or visiting the prison to meet the Lead Chaplain, please speak to the Ven Ian Rees on

07983 684151 or

archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

Children and Families Pastor (part-time)

St Mary's, Marshfield are looking for an experienced and confident children and families pastor that can work with us to rebuild our engagement with families from the ground up. You will work with us to re-establish our previously very popular monthly family service and to introduce and lead a term-time Sunday School.

You will take a lead on working alongside families who come to St Mary's for special family events, like baptisms, and share with the Vicar in their work at the local Primary School.

To find out more information about this position or to apply: <https://docdro.id/DyYrS5x>

If you wish to apply for this role, please submit your CV along with a covering letter and details of two referees to rossmaidment@cinw.org.uk by **March 17th**.

Worship Leader / Director of Music (part-time)

St Mary's, Marshfield are looking for an experienced musician and confident singing instructor that can work with us to rebuild our choir from the ground up. You will work with us to develop the choir's musical repertoire and to recruit new members.

We believe in this project and are ready to invest in it.

We are prepared to offer:

- > A competitive package of remuneration based on experience
- > Funding for the recruitment of choristers
- > A substantial investment in improving our existing instrument

To find out more information about this position or to apply:

<https://docdro.id/s5Abln1>

If you wish to apply for this role, please submit your CV along with a covering letter and details of two referees to rossmaidment@cinw.org.uk by **March 17th**.

Team Vicar - Islwyn MA (part-time)

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 us 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.

We 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... we would very much like to hear from you.

For an informal conversation please contact The Venerable Stella Bailey, Archdeacon of the Gwent Valleys on

07741 661154 or 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: **Monday 10th April 2023**

Application form and full profile available at

<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/jobs/team-vicar-islwyn-ma/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:

archdeacon.gwentvalleys@churchinwales.org.uk

For a downloadable and printable version of this email please click [here](#).

You can find the one-stop-shop for all you need to know and this week's updates [here](#).



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