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# **Esgobaeth Mynwy**

# **Diocese of Monmouth**



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## **News**

**Appointments** 

Bishop Cherry is delighted to announce that Revd Sue Davies-Fletcher has been appointed as a vicar in the Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area.

Following her training for ordination at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, Sue has served for four years in Devon in both coastal and rural communities.



Bishop Cherry, said: "I am delighted that Sue has accepted the post of vicar in the Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Area. She has gained wide experience from her ministry in the Exeter Diocese and understands the challenges and opportunities of ministry in a rural context. Her appointment brings the ministry team up to full strength and we look forward to all that she will bring to the churches in the ministry area."

We look forward to welcoming Sue and the family to the ministry area over the next few months, with the exact date for the licensing to be confirmed in the near future.

For more information on this appointment, please see the diocesan website <a href="here">here</a>.





## Llongyfarchiadau!

Congratulations to Revd Dr Catherine Haynes, who has been presented with a Community Services Award by Malgwyn Davies OBE CStJ, the High Sheriff of Gwent.

Held at the Ty Price Community Hall in Monmouth, which has been at the heart of much of Catherine's work, the presentation was introduced by Cllr Catherine Fookes

who spoke about Catherine's role in developing the wide range of community activities at Ty Price, including the ReachOut peer support group, support in the town for those in housing need, and the support arrangements for refugees from Ukraine.

Catherine, who is team priest at St Thomas' Church, Overmonnow, said: "I am really humbled and honoured to accept this award and I do so on behalf of all of the fantastic volunteers at Ty Price, including Steve Martin, David and Sally Price and the Ty Price Team, with PCSO Joe Facchiano, Fran Kenny of the ReachOut Group and many others."





**Dementia Carers Count** 

Do you run or host a dementia café or similar outreach in your ministry area? We have the opportunity to partner with *Dementia Carers Count* who offer free support, advice and training to those who care for people living with dementia.

If you would like to know more about how this charity could support you in your ministry please be in contact with Archdeacon

Stella: archdeacon.gwentvalleys@cinw.org.uk



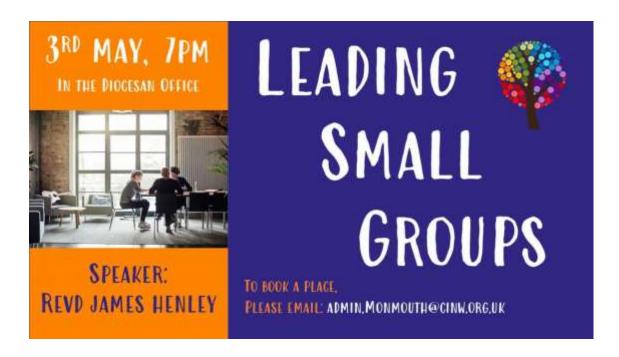
### **Easter Message from Cynnal**

Please find below a prayer for Easter, in both Welsh and English languages, from *Cynnal*, the counselling service for clergy, ministers of religion, Christian workers, and their families.

This year's Easter prayer has been prepared by Rhodri Gwynn Jones, a deacon at independent church Bethlehem, Gwaelod-y-garth.

Download: <u>Easter Prayer (in English)</u> Download: <u>Easter Prayer (in Welsh)</u>

# **Training & Events**



## **Training for Leading Small Groups**

We are pleased to be able to offer some training for those involved in leading small groups. This is happening on **Wednesday 3rd May, at 7pm** in the Diocesan Office (64 Caerau Road, Newport, NP20 4HJ).

If you're currently leading, or are interested in finding out more about leading a small group in your church, please come along. Spaces are limited so we would encourage people to book on quickly.

This course is open to everyone, both laity and clergy. However, we hope this training especially enables and encourages our laity to have more opportunities to lead.

To book a place, please contact <a href="mailto:admin.monmouth@cinw.org.uk">admin.monmouth@cinw.org.uk</a>



## The Big Help Out

The Big Help Out is a festival of volunteering on the Coronation Bank Holiday, **Monday 8th May**, in tribute to HM The King's lifetime of public service. Building on the volunteer phenomenon seen during the pandemic, the campaign aims to make it easy for volunteers to recognise opportunities and get involved.

Given the importance of faith communities as sources of volunteering and charitable work in the UK and The King's longstanding commitment to promoting inter-faith collaboration, it is hoped we will play a significant role in The Big Help Out.

Archbishop Andrew John says, "There's a secret volunteers have that not many people know and it's this: when you give freely, you always get more back in return. That's why volunteering is such an amazing gift to celebrate, why giving is such an important part of our Christian faith and why The Big Help Out festival is the perfect way to mark our King's Coronation."

The Archbishop would like to make The Big Help Out a provincial event and so is inviting each diocese to take part, in whatever way they can, to celebrate and encourage volunteering.

#### You can:

- · Organise events on the day
- Share other opportunities to volunteer
- Register your events on The Big Help Out website <a href="https://thebighelpout.org.uk">https://thebighelpout.org.uk</a>

### The Big Help Out - Briefing Webinar

We are pleased to invite you to an online faith briefing for the Big Help Out on **Thursday 30th March** from 1.00 - 1.45pm.

The webinar will be an excellent opportunity for faith organisations, communities and activists to find out more about the Big Help Out and how they can get involved. Attendees will also hear about exceptional volunteering case studies from different faith communities.

#### Speakers will include:

- Brendan Cox, Co-Founder of Together Coalition
- Phil Champain, Director of The Faith & Belief Forum
- Representatives of different faith groups/ charities to talk about their work with volunteers

To register for the event, please click on the following

link: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/coronation-briefing-for-faith-communities-the-big-help-out-tickets-588234042857">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/coronation-briefing-for-faith-communities-the-big-help-out-tickets-588234042857</a>



### **Archdeacons' Visitations**

The three Archdeacons of the Diocese of Monmouth will be holding a Visitation in their Archdeaconries in the spring of this year.

The Visitations will be held as follows:

- Newport Archdeaconry Tuesday 16th May at 7.30pm at St Basil's Church, Bassaleg.
- Gwent Valleys Archdeaconry Monday 22nd May at 7.30pm at St Augustine's Church, Pontllanfraith.
- Monmouth Archdeaconry Wednesday 14th June at 7.30pm at *St Cadoc's Church, Raglan*.

The Visitation will centre around an act of worship which will seek to inspire us all in our ministry and mission together. It will also be the occasion when our Ministry Area Wardens will make the declarations set down in the Constitution. After the service there will be refreshments and an opportunity to speak to the Archdeacon about any matters of concern.

All licensed clergy and LLMs will be expected to attend. All Ministry Area Wardens will also be expected to come and make the required declaration. If you cannot attend the visitation in your own Archdeaconry, then you will be expected to attend one of the others.

Lay Co-Chairs will also be invited to attend and local wardens are welcome to come along. We look forward to seeing you at one of the Visitations.





## **Festival of Prayer 2023**

Tickets are now available for the *2023 Festival of Prayer* – to be held on **Saturday 8th July** 2023 from **10am-4.30pm** at St Teilo's Church in Wales High School.

This will be a day of varied and stimulating lectures, discussions and different opportunities for prayer. Participants will have the opportunity to select 3 workshops to attend out of the 17 topics available.

Bishop Cherry will be presiding at the opening Eucharist and giving this year's Address.

To find out more or book your place: <a href="https://festivalofprayer.live/">https://festivalofprayer.live/</a>

A number of leaflets advertising this event will be sent to Ministry Area Leaders in the coming weeks. Please distribute in your churches and encourage your congregations to take part.

Radical Welcome Course - 2nd session this Sunday

# Radical Welcome

1st Sunday | March-June 6 pm All Saints Cyncoed

Radical Welcome is a four session programme aimed at helping our churches begin to look at what it might mean to go beyond being inclusive - to be radically welcoming.



## Services & Resources



Join the service from the Cathedral this Sunday at 10:30am <a href="here">here</a>.

You can also watch Chrism Mass, on Tuesday 4th April at 11am here.

#### **ESGOBAETH MYNWY - GWASANAETHAU CYMRAEG**

Ebrill 18

April 18

Dydd Mawrth / Tuesday

10.30 am / y.b. St John, Maindee, Casnewydd / Ewcharist: St. Mark

Eucharist: St Mark

Mai 13 <i>May 13</i> Dydd Sadwrn / <i>Saturday</i>	9.30 am / y.b.	St Thomas Trefynwy / Monmouth	Ewcharist Eucharist
Mehefin 13 June 13 Dydd Mawrth / Tuesday	7.00 pm / y.h.	St Mary Magwyr / <i>Magor</i>	Ewcharist <i>Eucharist</i>

Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Ruth Willis: <a href="mailto:ruth\_willis05@hotmail.com">ruth\_willis05@hotmail.com</a>
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## **Vacancies**

## **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 <a href="https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/jobs/team-vicar-islwyn-ma/">https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/about-us/jobs/team-vicar-islwyn-ma/</a>

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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