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Esgobaeth Mynwy



Diocese of Monmouth



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News



Ordinations - 24th June



A joyous service was held at Newport Cathedral on Saturday 24 June to ordain our new deacons and priests.

It was standing room only as friends and family filled the Cathedral to support and celebrate with those who have been called into ministry in the Diocese of Monmouth.

The Rev Dr Mark Clavier, who had led the candidates on their ordination retreat, gave a warm and welcoming sermon.

The Rt Revd Cherry Vann ordained three deacons and seven priests.

If you'd like to watch the service, it is available to watch [here](#).

You can also find out a bit more about our new deacons and priests here: [Ordinations 2023](#)

Please keep praying for our new deacons and priests, as they continue in the ministry God has called them to.



Please be aware

We have been notified by police of a spate of burglaries at places of worship in Merthyr and the surrounding area during May and June. Given our proximity to that area, there is concern that offences may extend into the Diocese of Monmouth.

Please be vigilant and look out for any suspicious activity. For further information please contact John Pavett (johnpavett@aol.com).



Faith in our Future and Diocesan Grants

Has your ministry area signed up for Faith in our Future planning yet?

If not, take a look at the short film below from Archdeacon Ian explaining a little more about Faith in our Future planning. He explains the recent DBF and Standing Committee decision that, from September, all ministry areas will need to have set a date for the workshop sessions to qualify for a diocesan grant.

Don't panic – it is not as onerous as it sounds, and, please, just get in touch with Archdeacon Ian if you have any questions!



A summary of Archdeacon Ian's video text can be found [here](#).

For more information about Diocesan Grants, please visit our website: [Diocese of Monmouth](#)

For more information about Faith in our Future planning, contact Archdeacon Ian on ianrees@cinw.org.uk

Resources

Place of Worship Protective Security Fund

Set up in 2016, The Home Office funding aims to reduce the risk and impact of hate crime at places of worship such as churches, gurdwaras, mosques, temples, and associated faith community centres across England and Wales.

Grants are available to cover the costs of protective measures from the following list:

- CCTV (fixed cameras, not pan-tilt cameras)
- Fencing and/or railings (no more than 2.1m high)
- Manually operated pedestrian and vehicle gates
- Door hardening, locks and mail-box/mail bag
- Reinforcing single glazed windows (with anti-shatter film or bars/grilles only)
- Intruder alarms including integrated smoke/heat detection
- Door entry access control (fob or keypad)
- Video intercom systems
- Lighting (building mounted)

Applicants do not need to state what they would like to apply for in advance. If successful, a survey will be carried out at the place of worship. During this survey, the most appropriate measures for the site will be discussed.

For more information or to apply for the funding, please visit the grant website [here](#).



Webinars from Parish Buying

There are a number of online training sessions available to churches, which aim to help with topics such as choosing the best heating solutions, using contactless giving, and developing the social media presence of your church. These sessions are running from the 27th June to the 27th July.

To find out more or to book on for any of the webinars, please visit the full list on the Church of England website [here](#).

Please support us
on **Sea Sunday**,
9 July 2023



SEAFARERS NEED YOU MORE THAN EVER

You rely on seafarers but they need your help also!

More than 90% of the world's goods and fuels are transported around the world, thanks to seafarers. Without them the world economy would grind to a halt. This would place businesses and millions of jobs around the world in jeopardy. Day and night for 365 days per year, the Mission is on call providing help for seafarers in over 200 ports around the world.

For more information on our work visit seasunday@missiontoseafarers.org

Join us to celebrate seafarers across the globe on:

Sea Sunday - 9th July 2023

More than 90% of the world's goods and fuels are transported on ships around the world, thanks to seafarers. The Mission is on call 365 days a year, to provide help and support for seafarers in over 200 ports around the world.

Sea Sunday is a special opportunity for us to remember and pray for all of the brave men and women who go to work at sea, making sure we have all that we need. Churches are invited to use the resources below for their services on the **9th July**.

[Sea Sunday Poster](#)

[Sermon Outlines](#)

[Donations to the Mission](#)

[Sea Sunday Kids Activities](#)

For more information on their work visit their website: [Mission to Seafarers](#)



Electric Vehicle Charging Survey

Are you interested in investigating the possibility of having Electric (EV) charging points installed at your church?

The Church in Wales are in early stage discussions with Parish Buying regarding EV charging points in church car parks and on other land. We are seeking expressions of interest from churches keen on exploring the possibility of EV charging points.

The link below is to a Survey Monkey form that will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Please note, we welcome all submissions by **Friday, 30th June**.

Welsh version <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WJKV8YY>

English version <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ZDB9DSV>

Training & Events



Last chance to book: 2023 Festival of Prayer

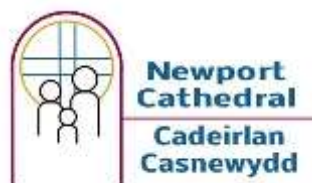
There are some tickets still available for the **2023 Festival of Prayer** – to be held on **Saturday 8th July** from 10am - 4.30pm, at St Teilo's Church in Wales High School.

This will be a day of varied and stimulating lectures, discussions and different opportunities for prayer. Participants will have the opportunity to attend 3 workshops, out of a choice of 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: <https://festivalofprayer.live/>

Services



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



The poster features a Celtic cross icon on the left and a background image of a sunset over water. The title 'Thematic at the Cathedral' is in a large, elegant script, with 'Evening Summer Services 2023' below it in a similar but smaller script.

Sunday 23rd July 4pm
Reflections on the Kingdom, drawing on the poetry of R.S. Thomas. - **Fr. Gareth Rayner-Williams**

Sunday 30th July 4pm
The Ubuntu Theology of Desmond Tutu. - **Canon Andrew Lightbown**

Sunday 6th August 4pm
Healing; the wholeness of God in us. - **Fr David Matthews**

Sunday 13th August 4pm
Action in Waiting. - **Reverend James Henley**

Sunday 20th August 4pm
Vocation, responding to God's call. - **Reverend Canon Becca Stephens**

*These services will follow a Celtic Liturgy
Refreshments will be served after the services.*

Newport Cathedral, Stow Hill, NP20 4ED 01633 267464 enquiries@newportcathedral.org.uk 

Pray with Pride - Friday 1st September



Open Table Communion Service - 2nd July



**YOU ARE more than welcome to join us
for our first Open Table communion service
in East Cardiff.**

Bishop Cherry Vann will celebrate communion and
Open Table Network Coordinator Kieran Bohan will
lead a reflection on the Open Table story.

2nd July 6pm - Communion service
followed by refreshments

All Saint's Church, Cyncoed, CF23 6RU

For more info, please email rosemary@eastcardiff.church

**You're #MoreThanWelcome
to #ComeAsYouAre**



ESGOBAETH MYNWWY - GWASANAETHAU CYMRAEG

Gorffennaf 8
July 8
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

9.30
am /y.b.

St Thomas
Trefynwy /
Monmouth

Ewcharist
Eucharist

Awst 12
August 12
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

I'w gadarnhau
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Glyn Ebwy /
Ebbw Vale

Cymanfa
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Medi 9
September 9
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

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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

House for Duty Priest - North Monmouthshire

We are looking for a collaborative and caring priest with a genuine passion for working with others, lay and ordained, in a beautiful part of Wales.

Based in the lovely village of Llanddewi Rhydderch and primarily working with churches around that area, you will also be part of the Ministry Team covering the new ministry area of North Monmouthshire which has 17 churches.

We hope 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
- ❖ *Community focussed* - being a visible presence in the ministry area
- ❖ *Engaging* - has energy and commitment to engage with the local communities and is sympathetic to the needs of rural communities

**If you think you might be that person...
we would very much like to hear from you.**

For an informal conversation please contact The Revd. Julian Gray, Ministry Area Leader on 01873 859881 or mardyvicarage@yahoo.co.uk

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

Application form and full profile available at
<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/house-for-duty-priest-north-monmouthshire-ministry-area/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:
archdeacon.monmouth@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Monday 17th July 2023

House for Duty Priest - St Illtyd

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

Are you **collaborative in nature**, able to recognise the many talents and gifts of laity?

Are you **community minded**, able to engage with people of all ages, inside and outside the church, and be a visible part of the local community?

Are you **caring** with a strong pastoral heart and passion for encouraging the congregations in discipleship, and building a strong unity in Christ?

Are you **forward and outward looking** with a creative approach to ministry and outreach?

Based in the upper Eastern Valley you will be part of a supportive Ministry Team.

We hope for a Priest who will:

- Respect our sacramental tradition but broaden our horizons.
- Communicate the Gospel in an inclusive and engaging way.
- Relish working as part of a team.
- Enjoy supporting and developing small churches.
- Laugh at themselves and with others.

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

For an informal conversation please contact Fr Dominic McClean, Ministry Area Leader on (01495) 304919 or frdominic86@gmail.com

Application form and full profile available at
<https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/house-for-duty-priest-st-illtyd-ministry-area/>

Applications should be submitted by email to:
archdeacon.gwentvalleys@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Sunday 23rd July 2023

Interviews to take place on:
Thursday 3rd August 2023

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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