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Esgobaeth Mynwy



Diocese of Monmouth



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News



Announcement of New Lay Canon

Bishop Cherry is pleased to announce that Hannah Rowan has accepted her invitation to become Lay Chapter Canon of Newport Cathedral.

Commenting on Hannah's acceptance, Bishop Cherry said, *"I am delighted that Hannah is joining the team at the Cathedral. She will bring immense skill and insight to the governance and work of the Cathedral, and her involvement will undoubtedly enrich and enhance the Cathedral's life in a hugely positive way."*



Dean Ian said, *"I am delighted at Hannah's appointment. She will bring fresh insights and thinking to our meetings. I look forward to installing her and welcoming her onto the Cathedral Chapter."*

Hannah will be licensed and installed as a Lay Canon at the service of Choral Evensong in the Cathedral on **Sunday 5th November 2023 at 4pm**. All are welcome to join us for that occasion.

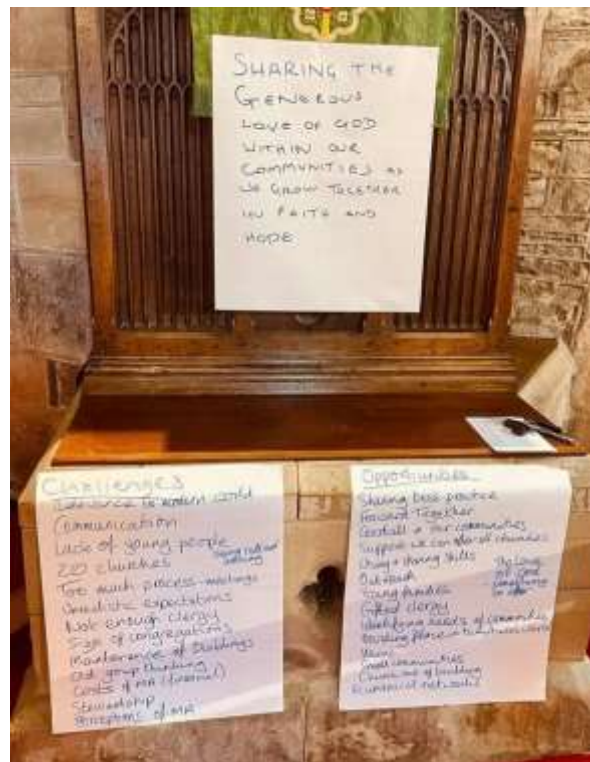


Vision Day in Heart of Monmouthshire MA

It was wonderful to have so many people from across this ministry area gathering together. They discussed what the essence of the Church's work is, areas in which they are already honouring God's kingdom, and they considered future plans to further that work.

Some lively conversations were had about the Five Branches of the diocesan vision and how it's possible to live these out within their context. Archdeacon Ian spoke about the ways the diocesan office are willing to help, equip, and support them to do this.

They're looking forward to the second session in September!





If your ministry area hasn't yet organised a Faith in our Future planning day, please get in contact with Archdeacon Ian to book a visit: ianrees@churchinwales.org.uk



Singing for Evensong in the Cathedral

Would you like to have the opportunity to cantor for Evensong in the Cathedral? This means singing the priest's part of the versicles and responses. The Dean would like to offer this to any Deacon or Priest licensed in the Diocese. You will need to be able to hold your note and keep in tune.

There will be a gentle voice test with Dr Emma Gibbins, the Cathedral Director of Music, to check this.

Evensong is sung by the Cathedral Choir during term time on Sundays at 4.00pm and Wednesdays at 6.30pm. Frequency will be by mutual agreement, but won't be onerous. This should be something to enjoy and not an extra task – something to re-energise, rather than drain.

If you would like to explore this, please contact newportcathedral@churchinwales.org.uk

Resources



Safeguarding Sunday - 19th November 2023

Ways in which churches can help and protect vulnerable people will be the focus of this year's **Safeguarding Sunday**. From knowing how to spot and report signs of abuse to praying for all victims, the day will be a chance for congregations to think about what it means to be a safe church for everyone.

The Church in Wales is marking Safeguarding Sunday on November 19th in partnership with the Christian safeguarding organisation **Thirtyone:eight**.

The Archbishop of Wales, Andrew John, is calling on all churches to take part. He says, *“Protecting vulnerable people is at the heart of the Christian message and that is why the Church in Wales is committed to being a ‘safe church’. Safeguarding Sunday is a chance to focus on what it means to be a safe church, to remind us that a safe church is everyone’s responsibility and to thank and pray for all those working in safeguarding. I hope all our churches will join in and mark this important day.”*

The resources for Safeguarding Sunday are available now.
Register on the [thirtyone:eight website](#).



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THE CHURCH
IN WALES

Safeguarding Sunday

Lord God, you have called us to be a part of the family of your church and to use our gifts to encourage and build one another up in love. Help each one of us to play our part in creating a safe and caring church where every one of your children, from the youngest to the oldest, may flourish as they are respected and valued. Keep us ever watchful, so that we may continually build a holy fellowship in the image of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Energy Bill Support

We are aware that many churches have received higher energy bills over the past few months. Some of these have been exceptionally high, further increasing the pressure on ministry area budgets.

The DBF has set aside a support fund for ministry areas that have been affected, offering financial assistance towards some of the increases incurred.

You may be eligible for this support, if you have:

- a winter energy bill that has increased significantly in comparison to the previous year and,

- the energy bills have made a significant impact to your finances, including reserves, resulting in the ministry area being unable to meet other costs.

If you qualify, we ask that ministry areas get in touch by email, detailing the situation and include the following information -

- Copies of the relevant bills
- Details of previous bills to demonstrate a significant rise,
- Details of how it has impacted the MA finances
- Any other relevant supporting information

Please contact Libby Morgan-Owen by Monday 4th September on:

libbymorgan-owen@churchinwales.org.uk

Help Needed



Request for Church Items

Please see the message below from St Helen's Church, Llanellen requesting help following their recent fire:

"Unfortunately, following the fire in St. Helen's Church, we are missing some articles which due to their age are difficult to replace. If you have any general church items which are surplus to your requirements, I would appreciate your help. I can assure you we will give them a good home."

If you can help, please contact the administrator of St Helen's Church, Bonnie Russell, on 01873 852507 or bonniemaryrussell@yahoo.co.uk

Training & Events

The St Deiniol Lectures

Monday 24th July, 7pm at Itton Village Hall



The Revd Philip Averay, Ministry Area Leader of Severn Wye, will be speaking on "*The Church in Society and Institutional Mistrust*". There will be an open discussion to follow.

All are welcome to this event at Itton Village Hall (NP16 6BP), with free entry but donations accepted.



Recharge: A Heart for Worship

Sunday 16th September, St Mary's Priory Church,
Monmouth
9.30am - 8.30pm

Come and join St Mary's Monmouth for an exciting and interactive day of learning and experiencing musical worship through the traditions - and how we can develop different styles and types of worship and praise today.

Whether you attend a church, or are interested in finding out more about God and the work of the church; whether you play an instrument or have a skill that you want to grow, or to make use of in supporting your community... there is something for everyone.

Why don't you come and join in for the day, or dip into the workshops that interest you. **There is no charge for entry.** Opening Worship is at 9.30am and their live worship event, *Recharge Worship: A Heart for Worship*, is at 6pm.

The team running this event are keen to meet you, to learn and to share together. Let them know if you're coming by booking in on their Eventbrite page [here](#).

Services



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

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September 9
Dydd Sadwrn
/ Saturday

9.30
am / y.b.

St Thomas
Trefynwy /
Monmouth

Ewcharist
Eucharist

Hydref 11
October 11
Dydd Mercher
/ Wednesday

6.30
pm / y.h.

Cadeirlan
Casnewydd
Newport
Cathedral

Gosber
Evensong

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



Summer Evening Services at the Cathedral



Thematic at the Cathedral Evening Summer Services 2023

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



Vacancies

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

Deaf Community Mission Outreach Worker

Working with the Deaf / Hard of hearing / Deaf-blind communities in South-East Wales

This is a position offered in partnership between the Dioceses of Monmouth and Llandaff, and the South-East Wales Deaf Church Association.

We seek a native BSL user (or competent to CACDP level 3 or equivalent) aware of the life challenges inherent in being part of the Deaf/hard of hearing/Deaf-blind community. The key focus of the role is to develop new enterprises with the Deaf, cultivating partnerships with churches and secular bodies, including Deaf organisations. The role will also include working with

churches to raise awareness of the Deaf Community and provide training, advice and support as necessary, and pro-active use of social media for contact with and support of the Deaf Community.

Initially this is a 3-year post, for either lay or ordained. The worker will be based primarily at home, but a hot-desk is also available in Newport or Cardiff.

For an informal conversation, please contact Revd Mary Moore on marymoore@cinw.org.uk or 07543 512147.



The application form and full profile are available at <https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/deaf-community-mission-outreach-worker/>

Applications should be submitted by email to the Diocesan Secretary Isabel Thompson - isabelthompson@churchinwales.org.uk

Closing date for applications:
Monday 24th July 2023, 8am

Interviews to take place on:
Wednesday 26th July, in Cardiff

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



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