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Diocese of Monmouth



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News



Announcement

We are delighted to announce that Rev Richard Mulcahy will be joining the ministry team of Newport North West next month.

Richard will be joining the team for two Sundays a month and will be primarily based in St Mark's, working alongside Frances who remains the focal minister.

Following the announcement, Richard said: "I'm looking forward to getting to know St Mark's and its people, and to work with colleagues old and new to serve God's people in the ministry area. The church, as a whole, faces many new challenges and I want to be part of finding the solutions as we build the Kingdom together."



Richard was ordained in Newport Cathedral in 2005 and has spent most of his ministry in Bassaleg (now Tredegar Park Ministry Area) and Bedwas, Machen and Trethomas (Mountain and Marsh MA) parishes. He was born and brought up in Newport, and in his 'day job' Richard works for the Welsh Government. For the past two years, he has also been a member of the Governing Body of the Church in Wales.

He will be licensed by Bishop Cherry at a special service at St Mark's, Goldtops on 9th October at 7.30pm.



The Lambeth Call on Environment and Sustainable Development

This September (20 or 21st), Anglicans are invited to attend a webinar about the Lambeth Call on the Environment and Sustainable Development.

Hear from Anglican friends around the world as they share inspiration from the Lambeth Call. Through this webinar you can:

- Explore ideas in the Lambeth Call for how Anglicans can respond to environmental crises and care for creation.
- Access bible study resources to help you think about creation care.
- Hear how to get involved in the Communion Forest as a global act of hope.
- Find out how you can influence decision makers before COP28.

Register here: https://www.lambethconference.org/.../register-for-phase-3/

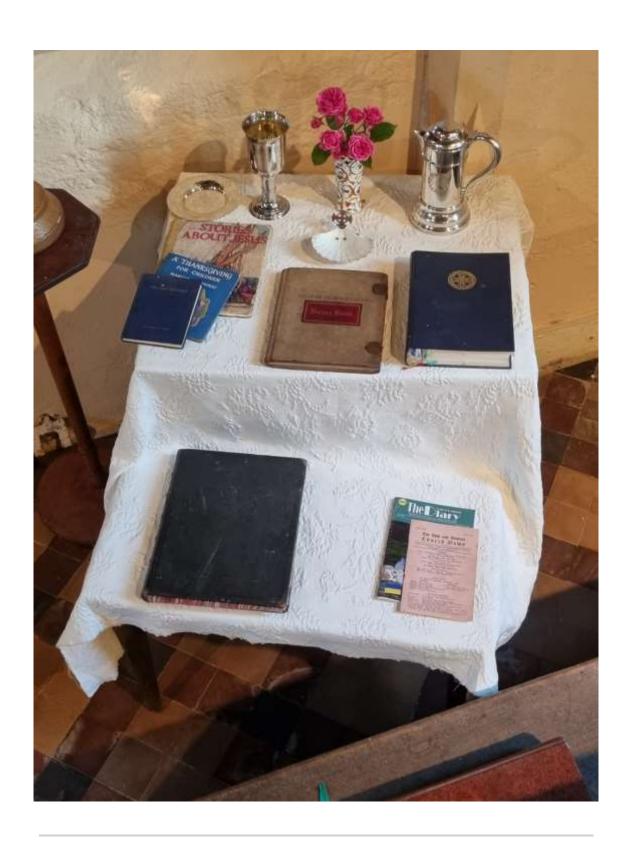


St Matthew's, Monkswood Celebration Service

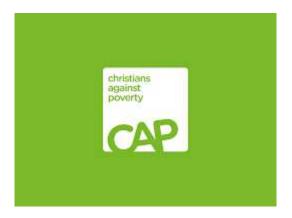
A special service of thanksgiving and celebration was held on Sunday September 10th to mark the 140th anniversary of the complete rebuilding of the church. It is also 85 years since it received its dedication to St Matthew by the Bishop of Monmouth, Gilbert Joyce.

Over 40 people gathered in the sweltering heat from across the district to enjoy an uplifting service led by Revd Sue Davies-Fletcher and the Heart of Monmouthshire Ministry Team. Items relating to the life of the church were brought forward by members of the congregation. These included an 18thcentury chalice presented by the Duke of Beaufort, a prayer book given in 1879 used in the former church and the Banns book dating from the 1890s and still in use today! The history of the church from the mid 19th century was displayed.

There will be an Open Day on **Saturday September 23rd** between 10am and 4pm to provide another opportunity to view the church and its history – a post-script to Churches Unlocked.



Resources



CAP Sunday

Christians Against Poverty have seen how poverty destroys lives. With millions more being pushed into poverty by the cost of living crisis, it's time to take action. Local churches are vital in the fight against UK poverty.

What is CAP Sunday?

A moment each year when local churches are resourced across the UK to reflect on poverty, its impact in our communities, and explore the difference we can make as God's people in our fight against it. The theme this year is *Compassion in Action*.

The official date for CAP Sunday is Sunday 15 October, but you're welcome to choose a date that suits you.

What CAP will provide:

- A biblical talk (that can be adapted and delivered by your church leader, or you can book a CAP Speaker to come and speak to your church)
- Posters to promote your service
- Resources to guide your congregation in a time of prayer
- Real-life video testimonies... and more!

For more information, please go to their website: Christians Against Poverty

Training and Events



Faculties Workshop - Wednesday 11th October

The Church in Wales are running a faculties workshop at **St Mary's Priory Centre, Abergavenny**, on Wednesday 11th October. This would be a really beneficial day for any MA Property Leads or individuals in churches that are regularly involved in submitting faculty applications.

The day will be a mixture of discussions and a workshop. The morning session will be about making good faculty applications in order to streamline the process. Topics include supporting documentation, writing statements of significance and assessing the impact of the proposed works on the church (i.e. a heritage impact assessment). The workshop element will be around participants making their own statements of significance and how to use this to assess the impact of any future works on it.

If participants want to write a Statement of Significance for their own church on the day, then they will need to do a bit of homework before hand, i.e. find out as much information about it as possible. The "Statements of Significance for the Online Faculty System" guidance note can be found in the Help section of the OFS. This includes sections on researching a church's significance, creating a statement of significance and a worked example of one. There will also be copies of a more comprehensive version of writing an SOS (another option for faculty applicants is to upload a separate document rather than use the online form) and if participants don't want to write one for their own church, then they can use St Mary's Church next door to the venue.

The outline of the day is as follows: Coffee & tea (and biscuits!) at 10 am Session starts at 10.30 am Short break at 11.45 Lunch (provided) at 1.00 pm Session restarts at 1.30 pm Short break at 2.45 pm Session finishes at 4 pm

If you would like to book a place, please contact Tina Andrew on tinaandrew@cinw.org.uk



CMD in **December - for Clergy and LLMs**

The next Continuing Ministerial Development day for all Clergy and LLMs will be on **Tuesday 5th December** at **Christchurch Hall** (Caerleon, NP18 1JJ).



We're thrilled that Revd Dr Jordan Hillebert is leading this day, with the theme of *A Theology of Prayer and a Prayerful Ministry*.

Jordan Hillebert was born and raised in the States, completed a PhD in Scotland (University of St Andrews), and is currently Director of Formation and Tutor of Theology at St Padarn's Institute, where he oversees the training and formation of candidates for ministry in the Church in Wales.

He teaches and writes in the areas of Christian theology, ethics, and spirituality.

In this session, we will devote ourselves to a theology of prayer with the aim of developing a more prayerful ministry. In particular, we will explore the account of prayer provided by Saint John of Damascus: 'Prayer is an ascent of the mind to God or a petition for suitable things from God.' In both senses (as contemplative and petitionary), prayer is essential to the life of Christian ministry, attuning us to God's presence and enabling us to participate in God's work.

If you are a cleric or LLM who hasn't already booked on, please follow the link below:

https://forms.gle/p38Ni4hVcb3HgKNi8



Safeguarding Training Dates

The dates for the next round of safeguarding training sessions have been released and can be found below.

Module B Training Sessions:

- Thursday 14th September, 2pm, St Michael's Church, Llanfihangel Crucorney, NP7 8DH
- Thursday 21st November, 1pm, St Mary's Church, Marshfield, CF3 2UF

Details of the online training dates are available here: <u>Safeguarding training</u> via Zoom - The Church in Wales.

To book onto the sessions please use the webform here: SafeguardingTraining Booking Form - The Church in Wales or contact the team via email safeguardingtraining@cinw.org.uk or phone, 07376 199668.

Contact details for all of the safeguarding team can be found here, Meet the team - The Church in Wales

Please note that the Provincial Safeguarding Officer for the Diocese of Monmouth is now Colin Taylor who can be contacted via email, colintaylor@cinw.org.uk or phone, 07956 790330.

Services



Join us for the service from the Cathedral this Sunday at 10:30am here.

ESGOBAETH MYNWY - GWASANAETHAU CYMRAEG

Hydref 11 October 11 Dydd Mercher / Wednesday 6.30 *pm* / y.h. Cadeirlan
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Cathedral

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Am fwy o wybodaeth cysylltwch â Ruth Willis: ruth_willis05@hotmail.com
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Vacancies



Church Administrator - Tredegar Park MA

Would you like to join our creative and lively team?

Would you like a new challenge?

Tredegar Park Ministry Area is looking for someone to provide support to their team of Clergy and 'lay' people who manage the day to day running of their churches. This is an opportunity to join a warm and friendly team, to manage and develop our office. This post is key in supporting us as we develop the vision and mission for this area. We are open to flexible working hours to fit with your circumstances.

Tredegar Park Ministry Area covers most of West Newport. We are a new ministry area and have five very varied churches. You will be line managed by the Ministry Area Leader and will largely manage your own workload.

For an informal chat please contact Revd Kate O'Sullivan on 01633 556321.

For the job description and person specification, or to apply by sending your CV in, please email: kateosullivan@cinw.org.uk

Ministry Area Leader - Mid Torfaen

We are looking for a priest who has incumbent or Team Vicar experience and will be...

- Forward and outward looking with a creative approach to ministry and outreach; able to meet us where we are and take us with you in growing Gods Kingdom; able to be flexible in your leading of worship which understands that the variety in style is our strength; able to discern the difference between when we need encouraging and when we need challenging?
- **Community minded**, able to engage with people of all ages, inside and outside the church and to be a visible part of the local community. Do you have experience in developing schools ministry, facilitating a team to work alongside you in taking faith into our schools and drawing children and families into appropriate styles of church?
- Caring with a strong pastoral heart and passion for encouraging the congregation in discipleship, building a strong unity in Christ.
- Collaborative in nature and able to recognise the many talents and gifts of the laity. Are you willing to nurture individuals in their own ministry and encourage collaborative working, while recognising that we may be travelling at different speeds?
- Confident and approachable with effective communication skills, who is able to support the churches with the oversight of our functional structures so that all feel supported and guided in the daily life of the church.
- **Engaging and friendly**, community minded and able to develop networks of relationships locally, taking the natural opportunities to work ecumenically.
- **Incarnational**, able to inhabit Valley's life, with a willingness to learn a bit of Welsh and understand the importance of our history and identity.

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

For an informal conversation please contact Ven Stella Bailey on 07741661154 or stellabailey@cinw.org.uk

Application form and full profile available at https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/ministry-area/

Applications should be submitted by email to: stellabailey@cinw.org.uk

Closing date for applications: **Monday 25th September 2023**

Interviews to take place on Friday 13th October 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.

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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-september/

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

Closing date for applications: Saturday 30th September 2023

Interviews TBC

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.

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

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

Application form and full profile available at:

https://monmouth.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-events/house-for-duty-priest-north-monmouthshire-ma/

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

Closing date for applications: Saturday 30th September 2023

Interviews to take place soon after.

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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