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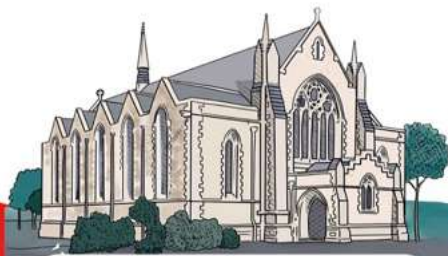
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ALL SAINTS

REGULAR SERVICES WITHIN THE MINISTRY AREA

Sunday Morning Worship

- 8.00am Said Eucharist at All Saints
- 9.15am Said Eucharist at Holy Nativity
- 9.15am Said Eucharist at St Dochdwy's
- 10.00am Holy Eucharist at All Saints **
- 10.45am Sung Eucharist at St Augustine's *



* Children's group meets during this service

** Children's and youth groups meet during this service

Sunday Evening Worship

- 3.00pm Service at St Peter's (2nd Sunday of the month)
 - 4.00pm Sunday@4 at St Dochdwy's (1st Sunday of the month)
 - 6.00pm Evensong at All Saints (3rd Sunday of the month)
- NB 3.00pm during winter months – check time before attending*

Midweek Services

- Tues 10.00am Said Eucharist at All Saints
- Tues 10.30am Said Eucharist at Holy Nativity (1st Tuesday of the month)
- Wed 10.00am Cymun Bendigaid (Holy Eucharist in Welsh) at All Saints
- Wed 10.00am Said Eucharist at St Augustine's
- Thurs 10.30am Said Eucharist at St Dochdwy's (2nd Thursday of the month)

Our Churches:

- All Saints Church, Victoria Square, Penarth, CF64 3EL
- Holy Nativity Church, Plassey Street, Penarth, CF64 1EH
- St Augustine's Church, Church Place South, Penarth, CF64 1BA
- St Dochdwy's Church, Llandough Hill, Llandough, Penarth, CF64 2NA
- St Peter's Church, Old Cogan, Penarth, CF64 2NA

On 1 January 2025, Penarth Ministry Area became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered with the UK Charity Commission as charity number 1210418.

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EDITORIAL

This month we have quite a variety of features, including articles on the Repair Café, a visit to Oxford, the Dementia Research Institute, reflections from Pope Francis' hospital bed, and marine pollution. To start the magazine, Revd. Jimmy Young reflects on the meaning of Lent, and introduces, despite his admonitions, a theme that comes up a few times later in the magazine: eggs and baking, illustrated by several photographs of tempting creations in this magazine. Rising up, or hatching in the case of Easter eggs, is indeed an appropriate thought for Lent. As usual, thanks to our contributors.



"I'm really not sure about this trend for clergy dressing down, dear."

Our cover illustration features Christ in Glory in the Tetramorph, a large tapestry by Graham Sutherland, at the north end of Coventry Cathedral. The tetramorph refers to the four living creatures depicted, which are from the book of Revelation.

PMAM Editors: Tom Blenkinsop, Katie Cooper, Mel Griffin and Jan Knight

THE CLERGY LETTER

Dear Friends,

This edition of the magazine is due to be with you at the start of April - meaning we are right now in the midst of Lent and the buildup to Holy Week and Easter. For those who have good memories you'll probably be expecting me to bang on about Mini Eggs at this point of the year - but I am going to attempt to swerve that tendency of mine this year. (Although it would be remiss of me to completely avoid the elephant in the room - which is the issue of just how expensive mini eggs are now. It's a scandal, and I'm sure that it says something about ****insert political argument of your own choice here****. Anyway, no mini eggs this month as there are many much more important things to share with you.

One of the things that Lent does is challenge us to consider a number of aspects of the way we are living through a number of spiritual disciplines: self-examination, penitence, self-denial, study, almsgiving, and preparation for Easter. (Or in other words, to ask ourselves how our journey of discipleship is going.) It's easy if we're not careful though, for this to descend into a bit of a season of gloom and misery - but this is definitely not how it's meant to be!

As the Church in Wales guidance on the liturgy for this season reminds us:

“It is important to emphasise that Lent, Holy Week and Easter are all one season: a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, in which we enter the wilderness and the Passion, without losing sight of the Easter promise of eternal life. It is only in the light of the resurrection that the wilderness and the Passion have meaning. Through our liturgy, we do not seek to commemorate separate events in the life of Christ, but to celebrate the mystery of the whole of Jesus' saving work.” (p.114 - *Times and Seasons, Church in Wales, 2022*)

This season is not about us beating ourselves up, or feeling glum and down; it's about what happened 2000 years ago on a Sunday morning in a garden just outside Jerusalem - about marking how everything built up to that world-changing moment, and then working out how what we're doing here and now connects to that. Here in the Penarth Ministry Area, there are many ways for each of us to consider this - just as there are many ways for each of us to participate and explore the spiritual disciplines that have been part of this season.

This year as a Ministry Area we are taking part in a town-wide Cytûn Lent course; we had a number of wonderful services across the Ministry Area to mark Ash

Wednesday, and reflect through some self-examination; in our Sunday services we have been 'turning-up' the penitential elements of our services as we confess together each time we share in the Eucharist; there are many ways to give to good causes across the town (Christian Aid, the Foodbank, or even to the Ministry Area funds); some of us will have given up foods, drinks, or habits for the season. Across all our churches we give up some of the celebratory aspects of our liturgy (for example we don't say or sing the Gloria throughout Lent, and we avoid "Hallelujahs" within the service); most of all we keep the focus of our services upon the journey towards the events of Holy Week and Easter. You can see elsewhere in the magazine details of the various services and things taking place this year. Do make sure you come along in Holy Week as we worship and pray together, marking the final stages of Jesus' journey to the cross. We can do these things individually, and we can do them together, and it's all part of us considering our journey of faith in Lent.

You may have read recently that we're going to be welcoming a new Curate, Susannah, at the end of June. She will join our team of Craig (on placement during his ordination training through St Padarn's), our licensed Reader, Hugh, as well as Rev Margaret Stark who provides valuable support to your full time clergy (Fr Mark and myself) and you can see we've got a good team beginning to build. That's before we've even mentioned our imminent re-advertisement to fill the role of "Young People's Ministry Lead", let alone our wonderful office team, and those who lead our choirs and worship team, or the sub wardens, or those on the MAC, or those who help make the services happen, or help run the many amazing groups... There are so many wonderful people who make this Ministry Area what it is. So, there's one more challenge that I'd like to leave you with this April, as we continue our journey through Lent into Easter: how can you add your skills/gifts/talents/energy/ enthusiasm/thoughts/prayers/contributions/ support to all of this? That's the question that this season of Lent should make us all ask - and as we head into Easter may the way we answer be shaped and powered by the hope and resurrection life that we encounter there. So, what's your part in this glorious new resurrection life? Get involved, and let's build something amazing and wonderful.

Grace and peace,

Jimmy (Rev. Jimmy Young)

PS: Why are mini-eggs so expensive this year?!



We are a multi Award Winning Dance school and provide dance classes to children of all ages and abilities in a safe, happy, friendly, caring and disciplined environment.

A regular weekly schedule of after school and weekend classes takes place in Penarth, Sully and Barry focusing on a range of different dance styles including Ballet, Tap, Lyrical, Musical Theatre, Drama and Creative dance giving children the opportunity to express themselves through artistic performance.

Specialised classes for pre-school and early years including a parent and child class from walking age to 3 yrs.

In 2022 the school joined the Royal Ballet School's Primary Steps on Demand online Ballet Training Programme giving all children the opportunity to experience a ballet class in creative and fun environment.

We offer an all-inclusive learning experience and take a holistic approach responsive to young children planning and implementing through creative stories and dance.



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Exams, Medal Tests and Performances are held yearly and all students are given the opportunity to showcase their talent.

The school is affiliated with the United Teachers of Dance and a Recognised School with the Council Dance Drama Musical Theatre and the Board of Dance Qualifications and Training.

We are also a member of Early Years Wales and Licensed Teachers for Melody Bear and Melody Movement.

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FEATURES

First Brollies – Now Binoculars!

Katie Cooper highlights the good work of the Repair Cafe

On a dismal Sunday afternoon in February, I decided to visit the wonderful volunteers at the Repair Café who were so helpful with broly restoration (see September 2024 magazine). My hope was that they could repair my dearly departed father-in-law's binocular case strap which had broken.



I was surprised by how many folk were already there - word has certainly got round. However, there were plenty of volunteers on hand to deal with all the varied repairs. Given the demand, a wait was inevitable. However, the



refreshments team made this a pleasurable experience, and it was good to chat to friends while waiting my turn.

My repair was classed as miscellaneous and I was directed to Iano's table. I am full of admiration for the volunteers who have little idea of what items they will be asked to repair. There is no TV production team selecting items and it is very much a 'live' event. Iano soon grasped what needed to be done – and with the aid of a sharp knife and leather hole punch, he had soon made a new



connection to the binocular case. The help does not stop there, however, and he also gave me aftercare advice to better preserve the leather by applying a nourishing treatment. Thank you

very much to all the volunteers who provide this important service to help us to live more sustainably.

REPAIR CAFÉ



Sunday 27 April 2-4.30pm St Augustine's Parish Hall
Electrical appliance repair,
Sewing repairs, computing assistance,
repairs of ornaments,
wooden items & furniture.

Tea/coffee & homemade cakes also available

Fix it, don't bin it!



Sunday@4

at St Dochdwy's Church,
Llandough
Sunday 6th April
4-5.30pm



A free informal monthly event
for all ages
This month:



Bible passage
Discussion

Picnic Tea
Friendship

Children's
activities
Songs



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A taste of those dreaming spires

A Margaret Stark travelogue

Off to Oxford on the train. The hotel was in the centre of the city: 'The Malmaison', an old prison. My room was made up of three cells knocked together! Set off after lunch for Christchurch College and had a good look round with the aid of an audio device. The ceiling of the great staircase has fine fan vaulting. It brings you up to the magnificent dining hall which appears in the Harry Potter films as Hogwarts' dining hall. A window there has tiny pictures from 'Alice in Wonderland' because Charles Dodgson, aka Lewis Carroll, was a maths tutor at the college in Victorian times and wrote 'Alice' while he was there. The college buildings are dominated by the 'Tom Tower' designed by Christopher Wren in 1682. There is stained glass courtesy of Edward Burne-Jones in the chapel, his 'St Catherine' window. The saint's face was modelled on that of Edith Liddell, whose sister inspired Lewis Carroll to write 'Alice in Wonderland'.

The following morning, I visited the famous Blackwell's bookshop and bought six books (even though I knew I'd have to take them home on the train!). Then to the Ashmolean Museum. They have just acquired Fra Angelico's 'Crucifixion' after a fundraising campaign. Next to the St Mary Magdalene Church where I viewed the beautiful interior.

In the afternoon to the Oxford Museum of Natural History with its huge skeletons of weird and ancient animals. And the Pitt River Museum which is an archaeologist's delight. The next day to the Bodleian Library where we saw the room used as the university parliament and we were told that William Hague is to be the new Chancellor. The teaching room where we gathered is so handsome. The library itself receives a copy of every book published in the UK and Ireland. There are still chained books to be seen.

On my last day I visited Magdalen College. It is famous for being one of the oldest Oxford colleges, its architecture including the tall Great Tower from which on May morning the choir sings, the deer park and water meadow, and Addison's Walk; Joseph Addison, who was a fellow of the college in the early 18th century, wrote the hymn, '*When all thy mercies, O my God*'. Near the so-called '*New Building*' is the magnificent plane tree planted in 1801.

At the end of my tour, I stepped out through a gate to the river. Coming back in I saw a sign saying, 'Please close the gate after you'. So I did. At the Porter's Lodge a woman came hurrying along saying that her friend was trapped out by the river; someone had closed the gate! Oh dear.



In the evening, I attended Choral Evensong at Christchurch. A splendid act of worship. During the service the precentor came down to the nave to announce the psalm. He looked vaguely around until an (evidently regular) member of the congregation offered him a copy of the Prayer Book open at the day's psalm! The choir sang an

anthem: '*Christus factus est*' by Bruckner. By the way, I noticed that there was one young woman in the choir among all the boys and men.

Home the following day on the Great Malvern train and then a train to Cardiff from the north. I had nearly walked my socks off during my stay, but it was very enjoyable. A very busy city where you have to avoid cyclists and double decker buses!



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Author events

- **Fri 25th April:** An evening with **Jeremy Vine** at the Paget Rooms to celebrate his debut crime novel, *'Murder On Line One'*.
- **Tues 29th April:** Novelist **Rachel Joyce** discusses her latest title *'The Homemade God'* with Mel Griffin at Penarth Pier Pavilion.
- **Fri 9th May:** BBC newsreader **Reeta Chakrabarti** on her sweeping novel of family betrayal, *'Finding Belle'*, at Belle Vue Pavilion.
- **Fri 23rd May:** An afternoon with much loved author **Alexander McCall Smith** who will be talking about his latest books in All Saints Church.
- **Sat 24th May:** What's occurring? Actress and writer **Ruth Jones** joins us at All Saints Church to present her latest novel, *'By Your Side'*.

For more information visit www.griffinbooks.co.uk

**Friends of the UK Dementia Research Institute Forum
at Cardiff University**

Katie Cooper reports



Following my attendance at the Showcase Event in May 2023, I was invited to become a friend of the Cardiff branch of the UK Dementia Research Institute. The first meeting of interested individuals took place on 3rd March. The aim of the meeting was to start to build closer

relationships between researchers, who are mainly lab-based, and the general public, many of whose lives are now impacted by some form of dementia. The reason for this is that knowledge about lived experiences provides valuable data for scientists in how to ensure their discoveries can translate into user friendly treatments. Also, the technology to transform skin or blood samples from dementia sufferers into stem cells which can then be grown as brain cells facilitates many more experiments. At a more mundane level, help is also needed with publicity and fund-raising as this area of research is less well-funded than some other medical research charities.

The team are keen to engage with community groups and have already started initiatives such as Science with a Pint. There are plans to attend festivals to engage with a broader age profile for a number of reasons. Firstly, dementia is a disease that impacts family and friends of sufferers so raising awareness and understanding across all ages can reduce the societal impact of dementia. Secondly, although dementia is associated with older age, the onset can start many years before symptoms become apparent. Thus, it is important to raise awareness with young people and it is hoped that within a couple of years, a reliable blood test will be available to facilitate early identification of disease. Early access to treatment can delay the symptoms and give a better quality of life for longer.

If you want to find out more, please visit this website: [Dementia Research Institute - Cardiff University](#).



Our second plant sale will be on 3rd May, so come along and fill your garden! We'll also have tea and coffee and lovely homemade cakes. If the weather's good, you can sit outside and enjoy the views over Cardiff Bay. Cash or card payments taken, bring a bag or tray for your plants if you can.

Any donations of plants, seeds or cakes are most welcome – please get planting or baking. Items can be dropped off on the day (please label them clearly). Proceeds will go the Ministry Area. Call Rachel on 02922 805663 or email rachel@penarthministryarea.com

Pope Francis reflects from hospital

Wyntoun Bailey found these words from Pope Francis

"The walls of hospitals have heard more honest prayers than churches...
They have witnessed far more sincere kisses than those in airports...
It is in hospitals that you see a homophobe being saved by a gay doctor.
A privileged doctor saving the life of a beggar...
In intensive care, you see a Jew taking care of a racist..."

A police officer and a prisoner in the same room receiving the same care...
A wealthy patient waiting for a liver transplant, ready to receive the organ from a poor donor...

It is in these moments, when the hospital touches the wounds of people, that different worlds intersect according to a divine design. And in this communion of destinies, we realize that alone, we are nothing.

The absolute truth of people, most of the time, only reveals itself in moments of pain or in the real threat of an irreversible loss. A hospital is a place where human beings remove their masks and show themselves as they truly are, in their purest essence.

This life will pass quickly, so do not waste it fighting with people.

Do not criticize your body too much.

Do not complain excessively.

Do not lose sleep over bills.

Make sure to hug your loved ones.

Do not worry too much about keeping the house spotless.

Material goods must be earned by each person—do not dedicate yourself to accumulating an inheritance.

You are waiting for too much: Christmas, Friday, next year, when you have money, when love arrives, when everything is perfect...

Listen, perfection does not exist. A human being cannot attain it because we are simply not made to be fulfilled here. Here, we are given an opportunity to learn. So, make the most of this trial of life—and do it now.

Respect yourself, respect others. Walk your own path, and let go of the path others have chosen for you. Respect: do not comment, do not judge, do not interfere.

Love more, forgive more, embrace more, live more intensely!
And leave the rest in the hands of the Creator."

Oceans of Opportunity

An Ecochurch report from Geoff Perett

A recent gathering with contemporaries interested in environmentalism and the Christian faith included a talk on the plight of our seas and oceans. The speaker was a member of the fellowship Christians in Science and I have borrowed the title of his talk.

Although water covers two thirds of our planet only 7% of it receives any sort of environmental protection. Campaigns, legislation, laws and activism are almost invariably concerned with land-based issues. An informed public will be familiar with the major problems our oceans face: over-fishing, litter and its threat to marine life, acidification through absorbing CO₂ and rising sea levels. David Curry from Christians in Science Plymouth (they have regional groups) was able to add some less well-known facts and figures: we are discovering new species in the ocean at the rate of two thousand a year; the sea contains vast mineral resources waiting to be tapped; many pharmaceutical drugs come from marine organisms, and a mass the size of the USA of mainly plastic litter is circulating in mid-Pacific and increasing all the time.

Psalm 104 v 25. 'There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number – living things both large and small'.

Humanity's footprint does not end at the seashore. About three-quarters of sea water pollution comes from land-based activities. All polluted watercourses eventually drain into the open sea and beyond and monitoring this is difficult. Only in recent decades has the problem been recognised and attempts made to reduce polluting and contaminating the seas and oceans which have long since been used as a dumping ground of infinite capacity.

Christians in Science (cis.org.uk) have a Statement of Faith – 'As a steward of God's world, I accept my responsibility to encourage the use of science and technology for the good of humanity and the environment'

Scientists often love to impress us with remarkable facts and figures and David was no exception. He told us that a mouthful of seawater contains millions of bacterial cells, hundreds and thousands of phytoplankton and tens of thousands of

zooplankton. These are the elements that are naturally present in unpolluted seawater, but scientific analysis would show how the seas and oceans now also contain chemicals and microplastics at dangerous levels. Psalm 107 v23 'Others went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters'. Over a billion people source fish and other seafoods for a primary source of protein, relying on clean water to maintain an abundant supply.

Dawn Chorus Walk organized by The Friends of St. Augustine's



Come
And
Join Us

Dawn Chorus walk

At 7am on Saturday 12th April at
The Kymin, Penarth.

It will be led by John Wilson from the Glamorgan Bird
Club.

Binoculars recommended but not essential.

Free event, all welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult.

Light Refreshments at the church after the walk with voluntary
donations to the Friends of St. Augustine's.



On Saturday, 12th April, there will be a dawn chorus walk starting at 7.00am in front of the Kymin House. It will be led by bird expert, John Wilson, from the Glamorgan Bird Club, and will involve a guided walk to listen to the wonderful songs of, and to see, our local birds greeting the new day. Twenty species were recorded last year, so come along and enjoy a ramble in our local natural environment. Light refreshments will be provided at the church at the end of the walk. The event will be free to all with voluntary donations for refreshments; accompanied children are also welcome.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES



Palm Sunday 13th April



**10am at St Augustine's
United Ministry Area Eucharist service**
(Children's groups in Parish Hall on Albert Rd)

Monday 14/4: 7.30pm Eucharist at St. Augustine's
Quiet devotional Eucharist

Tuesday 15/4: 7.30pm Eucharist at All Saints
Gentle celebration of the Eucharist

Wednesday 16/4: 7.30pm Eucharist at St Dochdwy's
Quiet devotional Eucharist

Thursday 17/4 7.30pm Eucharist at Holy Nativity
Maundy Thursday

United commemoration of the Lord's Supper.
This service includes foot-washing and stripping of the altar.
There will be a Watch afterwards until 10pm.



Friday 18/4: Good Friday

*10am Cytûn Good Friday March of witness
Meet at top of Arcot Street to walk to West House*

11am St Augustine's - Stations of the Cross

12-3pm All Saints Good Friday Devotions

2pm St Dochdwy's - Good Friday Liturgy



Sunday 20th April - Easter Sunday

6.00am Cytûn 'Sonrise' service at the Italian Gardens

8am All Saints - Said Eucharist

9.15am Holy Nativity - Sung Easter Eucharist

9.15am St Dochdwy's - Sung Easter Eucharist

10am All Saints - Easter Celebration Eucharist

10.45am St Augustine's - Sung Easter Eucharist

3pm St Peter's - Eucharist



Cornel Mis Ebrill

Bues i am rai blynyddoedd yn paratoi erthygl arbennig ar gyfer cylchgrawn mis Ebrill yr eglwys. Rhyw smaldod Ffŵl Ebrill oedden nhw i gyd, ond, rhyfedd o beth, fe ddaliais i sawl person oedd wedi credu mai gwirionedd oedd y cwbl. Er enghraifft dod i'r eglwys ar fore Sadwrn gyda phwmp teiars er mwyn chwythu'r llwch allan o bibau'r organ. Ffwlbri oedd y rhain i gyd ond yn anffodus mae yna ddigon o bobl yn y byd heddiw sy'n barod rhoi cred i'r storïau mwya peryglus, ond wna i ddim treulio rhagor o amser ar drafod hynny.

Mae'r Pasg yn hwyr eleni gyda Dydd y Pasg yn syrthio ar drydydd Sul y mis hwn. Mae gwasanaethau'r Wythnos Fawr wedi eu rhestru gyda rhywbeth yn digwydd ym mhob un o eglwysi'r Ardal Weinyddiaeth gan ein gwahodd ni "i deithio ffordd y groes, trwy ddiodefaint, duwch ac anobaith dydd Gwener y Groglith a chyrraedd

penllanw y daith â'r gobaith, y llawenydd a'r bywyd newydd a ddaw o'r bedd gwag a'r Iesu atgyfodedig."

Cyn hynny mae yna ddau ddyddiad diddorol yng nghalendr yr Eglwys yng Nghymru, un ar ôl y llall. Dros bymtheg cant o flynyddoedd yn ôl ar y seithfed o fis Ebrill bu farw Brynach Sant. Mae'n bosib bod rhai ohonoch, ddarllenwyr annwyl, yn gyfarwydd â phentrefi Sir Benfro. Mae yna sawl eglwys wedi ei chysegru iddo ond os digwydd i chi fod yn yr ardal ar y Sul bydd croeso cynnes i chi ymuno â chynulleidfa Eglwys Sant Brynach yn Nanhyfer. Os ydych yno ar nôs Sadwrn cewch glywed clychau'r eglwys (deg ohonynt) yn cael eu canu.

I ddychwelyd at thema'r gwir a'r gau yn y paragraff cyntaf, mae yna bob math o straeon yn gysylltiedig ag hen saint Cymru. Yn ôl y chwedl roedd gan Brynach fuwch oedd yn rhoi cymaint o laeth nes bod digon i'r

myneich i gyd. Un dydd daeth y brenin - Maelgwn Gwynedd - a'i osgordd at Frynach ar ymweliad gan fynnu cael eu bwydo. Dyma nhw'n lladd y fuwch ond fedren nhw ddim cynneu tân i'w rhostio. Sylweddolodd Maelgwn ei fod wedi pechu a gofynnodd am faddeuant. Medrodd Brychan adfer y fuwch a gwnaeth i wledd wyrthiol ymddangos o'u blaenau gan dynnu bara o frigau coeden. Tybed oes yna rywun sy'n barod credu'r fath stori. Wrth gwrs bod!



Sant Brynach - ffenest yng Nghadairlan Llandâf



Cofeb Griffith Jones yn Eglwys Llanddowror.

Drannoeth Gŵyl Sant Brynach coffawn Griffith Jones a fu farw ar yr wythfed o Ebrill 1761. Un o ddisgyblion Ysgol Ramadeg Caerfyrddin oedd Griffith a chafodd ei ordeinio'n offeiriad yn Llanddowror yn 1716 ac yno bu ei gartref am weddill ei oes. Roedd e'n aelod brwdfrydig o'r Gymdeithas er Taenu Gwybodaeth Gristnogol (SPCK). Ar y pryd, wrth gwrs, doedd yna 'run

gyfundrefn addysg Gymraeg ac ym 1731 dechreuodd ar y gwaith o sefydlu ei ysgolion cylchynol enwog. Byddai ysgol yn treulio tri mis mewn ardal cyn symud ymlaen, gan amlaf yn ystod y gaeaf pan oedd gan ffermwyr a'u teuluoedd fwy o amser i'w mynychu. Yn ystod ei fywyd fe sefydlodd 3,485 o ysgolion ac fe ddaeth Cymru yn un o wledydd mwyaf llythrennog y byd. Dyna i chi waddol, ynte!

Welsh Corner

Over the years I have written many April's Fool articles for this particular issue of the church magazine. There have been occasions when certain people have been taken in and believed what had been written, turning up, for example on a Saturday morning with foot pumps to blow the dust out of the organ pipes. Unfortunately there are people in this world who will believe far more dangerous untruths than that. But this is not a platform to deal with such issues.

Easter is late this year and we will be surrounded by the glories of spring making us glad to be living in the northern hemisphere as nature points us in the direction of new life and the hope afforded to us through the resurrection. The Church in Wales lectionary alerts us to two other dates in April as well. The seventh of April



St. Brynach's Church Nevern, Pems

is the Feast of Saint Brynach who died on that date in 570AD (none of this CE for me). If you're ever travelling around Pembrokeshire make a point of visiting Saint Brynach's Church in Nevern where the saint first established a monastery. You can hear the campanologists enjoying

themselves on a Saturday night peeling away on the church's ten bells. And you'd be very welcome at the 9.30am service the following morning as well.

Reverting to the theme of my first paragraph, tales of miraculous happenings at the hands of the Welsh saints are numerous. Brynach is said to have brought his cow back to life after it was slain by the King of Gwynedd who had called demanding food. The King's men failed to light a fire to roast the meat leading Maelgwn to believe that he had sinned and asked to be forgiven. Brynach promptly produced a miraculous feast for the king! Totally believable!

Dafydd Jones



We will again be having a Big Prize Draw to be launched later in April. This is a great fundraiser, but it all depends on you – please support this again by selling some tickets to your family, friends, workmates etc.

We need some donations for prizes We'd like to make up some hampers for the prize draw, so can you donate any of the following?

- Bottles of wine, spirits or fizz
- New, unopened toiletries – individual items or gift sets
- Boxed chocolates, packs of wrapped sweets, etc
- Other items suitable as prizes

Please make sure food items have a long use-by date. If we get too many items, they may be used for other raffles or prizes at the Summer Celebration. Please drop off donations to the MA Office at All Saints or the Parish Hall (on Wednesdays) as soon as possible and before 15th May. Contact Alicia or Rachel (029 22 805663) or email admin@penarthministryarea.com

Photo Gallery

Spring 2025 has arrived; Rain or shine! By John Caldwell





If anyone who would like to contribute to our Photo Gallery pages in future editions of the magazine, please send your photos to John Caldwell (niddy123@hotmail.co.uk)

AROUND THE CHURCHES

All Saints

(Contact: Janet Akers)

All Saints Church has enjoyed a very busy month with Baptisms and lovely birthday celebrations! Margaret Rees, a very important member of our congregation, celebrated her 90th birthday at a family and friends' gathering and the next day cake and bubbly in Church! Our numbers seem to be improving, despite the often unpleasant weather, and we are rarely under 100 at our 10am service.

The PODs group made and sold lovely and delicious Jim & Jan gingerbreads for charity and Ministry Area funds (see later report).

The Community Cinema group is very popular, and all the showings are fully booked. We are all enjoying the Lent services and look forward to Holy Week and Easter.



St Augustine's

(Contact: Tom Blenkinsop)

There was an open afternoon at St Augustine's on Sunday 2nd March on the theme "Penarth: The Lost village". On a similar theme, a talk was given by Chris Riley on 13th March called 'Whatever happened to the village of Penarth?' about Penarth before the docks and the railway were built. The Friends of St Augustine's, who organised the talk, also had their quiz night on 15th March. Meanwhile there has been progress towards repairing the crash-damaged section of the churchyard boundary wall on St Augustine' Place. A survey has identified the required work and quotes are being obtained. The section of the wall higher up on St. Augustine's Place (The Leaning Wall of Penarth) has also been inspected, and a report from the engineers is imminent.

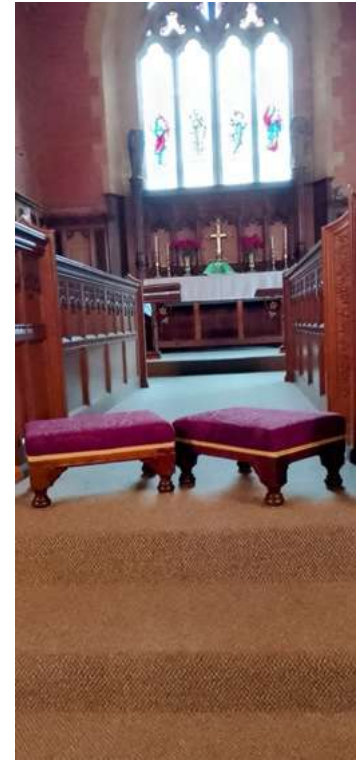
St Dochdwy's

(Contact JanCullen)

Two well worn, wood wormed kneelers have sat in the priests' pews at St Dochdwy's for longer than anyone in the church can remember. They have been used little in the past 20 years but before then were used up to three times every Sunday by the Rector and the reader for 8am and 11am Eucharists and Evensong. I assumed them to perhaps be 100 years old

Pauline Davis who lives in the village offered to reupholster them for the church. The photos show the parlous state of one before the work was carried out and both when so beautifully finished.

Whilst stripping one of the kneelers she was surprised and thrilled to find tucked inside a double broadsheet page from The Standard newspaper dated Thursday April 27th, 1871. Over 150 years ago and only 5 years after the present Church was consecrated in 1866. The newspaper is such an interesting insight into life at the time, the four sides alone covering Court matters, share movements, sporting events, opera and theatre venues and more.



It covers the Levee held the day before at St James's Palace by HRH the Prince of Wales on behalf of Queen Victoria, consisting of presentations to the prince of many hundreds of people from the UK and around the world, all listed with their titles and ranks.

A levee was traditionally daily access to a monarch as he got up in the morning and by the middle of the 16th century had become a formal event in the French court. The practice of holding court levees in Britain started in 1672 and was continued by the British

monarchy until 1939. These took the form of a formal reception at St James's Palace at which officials, diplomats, and military officers were presented individually to the sovereign. A form of civil uniform known as Levée Dress was worn by those entitled to it, or else naval or military uniform, or court dress. Participants formed a queue in the Throne Room before stepping forward when their names and ranks were called and bowing to the King or Queen. I have learned something I didn't know before!

We read about stocks in the Colonial and Foreign Railways and various mining share movements. It talks of the Newmarket spring meeting, the sale of M Fould's racing stud, Curragh April meeting, the Abergavenny and Monmouthshire Hunt as well as midnight betting at the West End and Manchester.

A grand morning concert at the Royal Italian Opera Covent Garden actually commencing at 2pm with carriages to be ordered for 4.30pm was detailed along with what was happening that day at fifty or more theatres and music halls around London with a variety of shows from serious to burlesque.

The original newspaper has been tucked back under the new webbing in the stool, together with a recent page from the Times newspaper covering similar subjects; court events, shares, sport and entertainment - perhaps not in such an exciting way as in 1871. But someone reupholstering the kneelers in 2179 may well think differently.

Grateful thanks to Pauline for the hard work and skill she put into the renovations. Have a look at them when you are next in the church, along with some photocopies of the original newspaper.

St Peter's

(Contact: Matthew Salisbury)

Coming signs of spring were most welcome in the rural setting of St Peter's Church. A slightly larger congregation was treated to a lively and thought-provoking sermon on Lent's 40 days, offered by Reader, Hugh Bryant, illustrated by the reading of the Prophet Jonah's instruction to enter the city of Nineveh. His ejection from a whale's tum was added as an after-thought.

Further encouragement with the onset of improving weather will be the celebration at 3.00 pm of Palm Sunday evensong on 13th April and then Eucharist, also at 3.00pm, on Easter Sunday.

Also encouraging is the news that our neighbour, Lisa Bailey in Old Cogan Hall Farm has had a successful operation and is recovering. She is in our prayers.

Holy Nativity

(Contact: Huw Williams)

The main focus of activity this month has been the start of the installation of the new fencing, funded by the UK Government Stronger Communities Grant Fund and by the Vale of Glamorgan Council.



At the time of writing only the curved section at the junction of Windsor Road and Plassey Street remains to be installed. However, the fencing has already brought many favourable comments on the quality and attractive appearance of the work, which is by the local firm of Metron Wrought Iron.

Some further work to the remaining trees is also due to be carried out this month, mainly to accommodate the new fencing on the Windsor Road side.

We have also been offered additional grant to re-lay the sloping concrete path from Windsor Road, which has been breaking up and builders have been appointed to carry out the work immediately.

None of this would have been possible without the assistance of the Council's



landscape architect, Jonathan Green, who has designed the fence and the planting which is to follow, and to Helen Blackmore, the Council's SCGF grant officer, for her help in navigating the grant process and obtaining the additional grant for us. Helen is retiring shortly and we would like to wish her all the very best for the future.

We would like to repeat the request for volunteers interested in assisting with the future maintenance of the church ground once the re-paving scheme is complete.


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REPORTS AND NOTICES

World Day of Prayer Service 2025

There were about seventy-five people, including Penarth Mayor, Councillor Gwenda Roberts, at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church for the Penarth World Day of Prayer Service on Friday 7th March. Ten women, from five churches, organised and participated in the service and Mary Patterson played the organ with Janet Pedwell leading the singing. The service, prepared by Christian Women of the Cook Islands, had the theme, 'I made you wonderful' from Psalm 139.



On the table shown in the photo there was a Bible open at Psalm 139, bananas, coconuts and a palm, also a garland of flowers, shells and photos of canoes. After the traditional Maori greeting, Kia orana which Cook Islanders use to greet each other, we sang a song, 'Wonderfully Made' which was composed especially for the service, "I am fearfully

made, and wonderfully made. Marvellous are your works that my soul knows very well. And I'll praise you all my days!"

Psalm 139 was read in three sections. The first focused on how God made us and knows everything about us. The second part focused on how God is always with us, even in our weakest and most vulnerable states. The third part focused on how we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God, and this moves the psalmist to give praise and thanksgiving to God

We heard three stories from Cook Island Christian women of three different generations who witnessed to trusting in the God who knows us. A fifteen-year-old girl Mii described being afraid during the Covid pandemic when people around her died. Mii prayed to God and knowing that God cares about her helped her to feel calm when she was afraid. Vainiu described how her grandmother and parents encouraged her to speak Maori. However, at school the teachers made the children speak English. Vainiu still remembers being severely punished for

speaking Maori. She knew that even when she was shamed and devalued by the school system God was supporting her and leading her out of darkness into a wonderful light. The last story was of Dr Dawn who, following seven years of study in Fiji, graduated as a doctor in 2003 and became the first female doctor in the Cook Islands' Paediatric Department. She spoke of how her healthcare work had made her realise that we are wonderfully made by our creator God.

The offering of £395, which will total £455 with gift aid added, was received for Christian Charities and the World Day of Prayer movement. By participating in the afternoon service we were part of a great wave of prayer encircling the globe - starting as the sun rose over Samoa and ending about 38 hours later back in the Pacific, as the sun set over the Cook Islands. We were praying and sharing with people in over 120 countries and islands around the world. The hymn, 'The day thou gavest, Lord is ended,' sung at the end of the service, says it very well in the third verse

*'As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.'*

The 2026 Penarth World Day of Prayer Service, which is prepared by the Christian women of Nigeria, will be at 2pm on Friday March 6th at 'All Saints' Church with the theme, 'I will give you rest; come'.

Jenny Stonhold

Penarth & District Cytûn News

The last meeting of the full council met on 23rd February. The following were discussed:

Christmas Lunch

Heather Ralis reported that 53 people were catered for, the large number meaning that the Salvation Hall is no longer big enough; the lunch will move to St Augustine's Hall this year. A new administrator is sought, the tasks are not onerous and the person does not need to attend on Christmas Day, just possibly be available by phone if there is a hiccup! Please let your Cytûn representative know if you are interested and/or would like to know more.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Margaret Morton spoke of a lovely time being together during the Octave with daily



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Eglwysi ynghyd yng Nghymru
Churches together in Wales

meetings and the service at Tabernacle Church which was beautifully led. Average daily attendance was 20.

Bereavement

Alison Fiander advised that this second course had gone well and a third is planned for April. Future courses could be held at Arcot House. More facilitators are welcome, please contact Alison if you are interested in knowing more - anfiander@gmail.com

The bereavement table at Stanwell Church is hosted on the first Saturday of the month from 10 to 12 for anyone who has attended a course or wants to hear more about it.

Stanwell Church is hoping to arrange Bereavement Care Awareness Training by Care for the Family in May or June. It is a half day course costing £15 designed to help Churches become bereavement aware and support those bereaved.

Enquiries to Marion Scaife mps1558@gmail.com and information from Bereavement Care Awareness Promo Video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hw4WNw6nn8Y>

Christian Aid

Lent lunches are being held every Friday at Stanwell Church with a minimum donation of £5. A concert was held at All Saints Church on 12th March. Christian Aid week is 11 - 17th May and there will be a plant sale on 10th May, United Service on 11th at Elfed Avenue Church. Penarth street collection 10am-5pm on Saturday 17th May. A barn dance is planned for 30th May.

Foodbank

Christmas contributions this year filled all the storage space and 75 goodie bags were handed out. Prayers are asked to find the right person to replace Les Tingay as Foodbank administrator and there is a need for more volunteers. Contact your Cytûn rep for more information.

Youth Activity

Basecamp on Friday evenings attracted over 50 in the autumn and became unmanageable despite sufficient leaders. A membership scheme has been put in place and is closed at 25. This allows leaders to focus on the young people individually. There is also music and drama to engage the young people. Naomi

Lewis is seeking leaders to restart the Thursday homework club which has taken a break. Please contact her if you can help penarthlayworker@gmail.com

The joint pre-Christmas event took place on the night of the terrible storm so numbers were small. But it was a very good evening with a Friday and Sunday group coming together and mixing well. A further event is planned for April with hopefully a bigger spread attending. Alex Brown, trainee minister at Tabernacle, and Naomi are reintroducing Christian Union into St Cyres School.

Good Friday march and Sunrise service

The march will follow its normal route starting at 10am from the top of Arcot Street to the grounds of West House where a short service will be held. On Easter Day the Sunrise service will start at 6am with sunrise at 6.07am at the Italian Gardens.

News Around the Churches

This was a new agenda item to allow members to tell others what is going on in their church or community. Here are some of the comments.

- Penarth Ministry Area will be re advertising for a Youth Leader after Easter; your prayers are asked in finding the right candidate for the post. A new curate, Suzanna Peppiatt, will join PMA shortly whilst Craig Williams is on placement at All Saints.
- Stanwell and Eden churches have held three baptisms recently which is very encouraging. The churches are coming together as one under Nick Bradshaw as minister with a third partnership of Llandough Baptist Church. Please pray for this joining together.
- Stephen Doughty MP visited Penarth Methodist Church recently and the Listed Building scheme was discussed amongst other things; it could be scrapped by government and is capped this year at £23 million. He was amazed at the work going on in churches; 76,000 people pass through PMC each year and other churches are probably similar. So it was pointed out to him that if the scheme is scrapped buildings couldn't be maintained and these good works wouldn't happen. Heritage Minister Chris Bryant MP is supportive of the fund and collective representations through Cytûn should be made to these MPs to keep the subject alive. Prayers are also asked for a replacement for Catherine Lewis who leaves in August; this is an unsettling time for the church.

Dafydd Jones - Cytûn representative - dafydd.allsaints@gmail.com

Christian Aid

A big thankyou to every one who came to the Canton rugby and football male voice choir concert. It was a very enjoyable evening with an excellent soloist and over



£1000 was raised for Christian Aid. Another thankyou to everyone who helped at the All Saints soup lunch. It was very successful and over £450 was raised and just a reminder that we have the St Augustine and Holy Nativity soup lunch on 11th April. Christian Aid week is 11th-17th May so please note it in your diaries. It begins with a plant sale on 10th May outside Stanwell church hall from 10-12, a united service at Elfed Avenue Church on Sunday 11th May at 6pm, finishing with a street collection in Penarth on 17th May. Finally we are holding a Barn Dance on 30th in Stanwell Church hall so get your dancing shoes ready - details to follow! Thankyou to everybody for your continued support; we are apparently one of the most successful fundraisers and its all thanks to you.

Sue Foley

Events

Hopefully the weather is going to warm up a little now and you may be tempted to come to one of the many events we have programmed for this month.

On Tuesday April 8th and Wednesday April 9th at 7.30pm the **Community Cinema** is screening "Maria" in the All Saints Lesser Hall.

This film has already been nominated for multiple Academy Awards and tells the glamorous and moving story of the iconic opera singer Maria Callas. Once the world's greatest soprano, Callas now hides in her apartment having lost her voice and retreated from the world. She dreams of returning to the stage, but can her body and mind take the pressure? The film stars Angelina Jolie in an Oscar-worthy performance.

(The film is also being screened on Thursday April 10th, but I'm told this has already sold out.)

Booking online via [ticketsource](#) —any queries call Jane on 02920531188

Tickets £8 to include glass of wine or soft drink on arrival and snack during the interval which is themed to the film.

At St Augustine's on **Friday April 11th at 7.30pm**, you can hear the **Quaynotes Community Choir and Orchestra** perform their Spring Concert. The performance will include excerpts from Mozart's Requiem and other well-loved classics. Profits from the evening will be donated to charity. You can buy tickets using the following link, booking is advised as the Quaynotes concerts are very popular.

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/quaynotesspring25>

The following night (April 12th) at 7.30pm St Augustine's hosts a very special, and unique concert when father and son Gambian Kora players **Mamudou Susso & Suntou Susso** appear as part of their UK tour. Legendary Griot and Kora master, Mamudou Susso, and his son, the UK-based rising star Suntou Susso, will showcase centuries of musical culture. Expect affirming and positive lyrics, not to mention incredible technical skill and other-worldly musicianship. Prepare to be transported to The Gambia, the smiling coast of Africa. You can pay for tickets at the door but it is cheaper if you book in advance using the link below.

<https://www.seetickets.com/event/suntou-susso-mamudou-susso-father-and-son-tour/st-augustine-s-church/3353371>

This month's **Music at Lunchtime in All Saints is on April 28th** (a week later than usual because of Easter Monday). We welcome the Rhossili Duo - Gabriella Alberti (flute) & Cai Charles (Guitar). Their varied and lively programme is titled 'The Last Tango' and consists of music by Piazzolla, Bartok, Tedesco, and Goss. The doors open at 12.30 for 1pm start. Admission is free and refreshments are available on the gallery before the concert.

Finally, advance notice of the first of our extremely popular **plant and cake sales** which take place at St Augustine's on **May 3rd (10am - 12 noon)**. Come early if you want the pick of the crop!

As usual, let me know if you are planning an event so that we can get it scheduled into our programme of events, avoiding clashes.

Robert Court

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News From St Augustine's Tots Group

This month we will just be meeting twice— on the first Thursday of the month, 3rd April and then we will have our Easter Party on Thursday 10th April. The Penarth library girls seen in the photo have kindly agreed to join us for the party. They will



come in their Easter bonnets, and I am hoping as many of you as possible will also wear an Easter bonnet. Many thanks to All Saints knitters and natters group who have been busy knitting chicks so that every child will have a chick to take home with them.

We will then break up for the Easter holidays and wish you all a Very Happy Easter. We start back on Thursday 1st May. Earlier this year I had intended to relinquish my role as leader due to ill health but as my health has improved and with the help of my team I intend to carry on a while longer. If anyone would like to join the team, please speak to me and I can assure you it's great fun. Pictured in the photo is our newest recruit, Jane Fisher.



Margaret Davies, leader St Augustine's Tots Group

All Saints POD (Secondary school age).

This month we have been busy exercising and developing our God given talents by making decorative daffodils, gingerbread folk, and cakes to sell. The post church cake sale was generously supported to the tune of over £100.



David Cooper



Ingram Family Wedding

During February, Joseph Ingram went to America for an 18-day holiday & whilst there married his American fiancée Jonel on February 20th in Philadelphia. The photo shows them on the way to the service. It was just the two of them at the ceremony and we are all treating it as 'the legal bit' and looking forward to having another celebration later in the year.



Joe returned home on February 28th whilst Jo is now going through the immigration process, and we are all hoping that can be concluded as swiftly as possible so that the younger Mrs Ingram can get over here a.s.a.p. Joe is a member of All Saints' choir.

Tricia Ingram



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Prayer Requests

We aim to be a prayerful Ministry Area. Please remember the following needs in your prayers this month:



- For Holy Week and Easter Services to deepen our relationship with Jesus and for the light of the resurrection to illuminate our darkness and fill us with hope.
- Show us how we can grow hope by working with others to transform our communities. Help us to shine as beacons of hope in our world.
- For those struggling financially. Encourage us to help by supporting the Penarth Foodbank and charities supporting the vulnerable, like Christians Against Poverty (CAP).
- For people living in war zones particularly Israel, Gaza, and Lebanon and Ukraine that there will be a sustainable peace in their regions. Also, for Syria, Congo (DRC) and Sudan and for people who have fled to other countries that the aid agencies can provide support and care.
- As humanitarian aid is being cut that leaders and decision makers will act with kindness and compassion.
- For all who have been confirmed or baptised recently that we may support them as they grow in their faith.
- For the Penarth Ministry Area to be a place of welcome for all, and the monthly service, Sunday@4 at St Dochdwy's to attract more people.
- For those developing our work with youth and children and that the right person will apply to be our Young People's Ministry Leader.
- For young people coping with peer pressure especially on social media. Help them to develop skills to resist harmful messages.
- For us to be aware of the needs of others in our community and help us to reach out to people who are lonely, anxious or in need.
- For all working in the Emergency Services, NHS and Care sector. Give them the resilience to keep working when conditions are very demanding.
- For those worn down by illness, or exhausted by caring for others that they are supported by their community. That more people become paid carers.

If you have any additional prayer requests, please let me know: **Jenny Stonhold**

 **029 2053 0580** or email: stonhold@msn.com

CALENDAR OF MINISTRY AREA EVENTS

Regularly held events during the month

<p>Sundays: 9.30am St Augustine's Choir Practice 2-4pm Open Church at St Augustine's (first Sunday of the month)</p>	<p>Mondays: 10am Faith Group at 14 Llandaff Close 7.30pm-9.30pm Faith Group at 33 Wain Close – Dates 14th April.</p>
<p>Tuesdays: 10am All Saints Holy Eucharist 10am Who Cares in AS Lesser Hall 1.30-4pm Needles, Knit & Natter on Gallery in All Saints (fortnightly) 2-4.30pm St Augustine's Churchyard Group</p>	<p>Wednesdays: 10am All Saints Cymun Bendigaid (Welsh Eucharist) 10am St Augustine's Midweek Eucharist 12 noon Lunchtime Faith Group on Gallery in All Saints (not during August) 2-4pm Open Church at St Augustine's 2.00pm All Saints Work Party in Lesser Hall 6.30-8.30pm Bellringing practice at St Augustine's 7.30pm Faith Group at 26 Victoria Road</p>
<p>Thursdays: 10am-12noon Warm Welcome on Gallery in All Saints 10.30am St Dochdwy's Midweek Eucharist (2nd Thursday of the month) 7.30pm All Saints Choir Practice</p>	<p>Fridays: 10.30am Faith Group (Please contact Tricia on: 07808 120763) in the Lady Chapel at All Saints Church. 7.15pm All Saints Music Group Practice</p>
<p>Saturdays: 9-10.30 Toast at All Saints (1st Saturday of the month) 10-11.30am St Augustine's Church Cleaning group (first Saturday of the month)</p>	

Events during April 2025

1 st	Monday	1.30pm	Needles, Knit & Natter in All Saints Church
2 nd	Wednesday	6pm-7pm	Cytûn Prayer Meeting at All Saints
4 th	Friday	11am-12pm	Lent Course at Stanwell Baptist Church
4 th	Friday	12-1.30pm	Lent Lunches at Stanwell Baptist Hall
5 th	Saturday	9am	Toast at All Saints Church
5 th	Saturday	3pm	Wedding of Julie Russell & Brian Tempest at St Augustine's Church
6 th	Sunday	4pm	Sunday @4 at St Dochdwy's Church, Llandough
8 th	Tuesday	1.30pm-3.30pm	Safeguarding Training Session "My Church People" at All Saints Church
8 th	Tuesday	7.30pm	Cinema in All Saints Church Lesser Hall
9 th	Wednesday	7.30pm	Cinema in All Saints Church Lesser Hall
10 th	Thursday	7pm	Quaynotes Rehearsal at St Augustine's
10 th	Thursday	7.30pm	Cinema in All Saints Church Lesser Hall
11 th	Friday	11am-12pm	Lent Course at Stanwell Baptist Church
11 th	Friday	12-1.30pm	Lent Lunches at Stanwell Baptist Hall
11 th	Friday	7.30pm	Quaynotes Easter Concert at St Augustine's
12 th	Saturday	7am-8.30am	Dawn Chorus Walk from The Kymin (FoSA event)
12 th	Saturday	7.30pm	Folk Music Concert at St Augustine's
13 th	Sunday	10am	United Service for Palm Sunday at St Augustine's
15 th	Tuesday	1.30pm	Needles, Knitting & Natters in All Saints Church
17 th	Thursday	10.30am	Bookworms in All Saints Church Lesser Hall
26 th	Saturday	6-7.15pm	Children's choir concert at St Augustine's
28 th	Monday	1pm	Music @ Lunchtime in All Saints Church
29 th	Tuesday	1.30pm	Needles, Knit & Natter in All Saints Church

FROM THE REGISTERS



FUNERALS

- 03/03/25 Michael Anthony DALY at St Augustine's
04/03/25 Hazel NASH at Cardiff & Vale Crematorium
07/03/25 Elizabeth MATTHIAS at Holy Nativity
20/03/25 Audrey Mary JONES at All Saints
31/03/25 Mary Grace EVANS at All Saints

INTERMENT OF ASHES

- 14/3/25 Elizabeth June RUDD at St Dochdwy's
17/3/25 David George INGRAM at St Dochdwy's
28/3/25 Choi Keng LAI at St Dochdwy's

We send our sincere condolences to their families and friends

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Holy Communion at home is available for those who are unable to attend church. Please contact the Clergy or Ministry Area Office on 029 2280 5663 to arrange.

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