



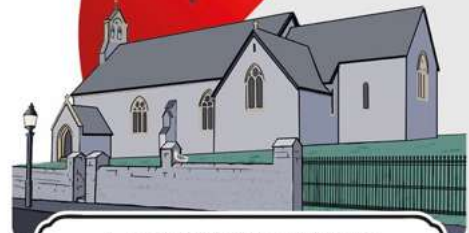
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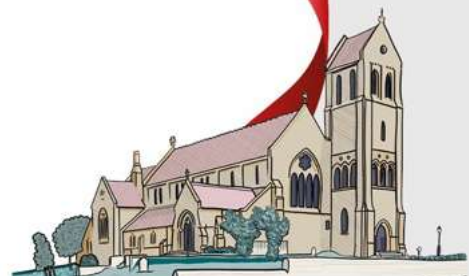
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Sunday Morning Worship

- 8.00am Said Eucharist at All Saints
9.15am Said Mass at Holy Nativity
9.15am Said Mass at St Dochdwy's *
10.00am Holy Eucharist at All Saints **
10.45am Said Mass 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)
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 Mass at St Augustine's
Thurs 10.30am Said Mass at St Dochdwy's (2nd Thursday of the month)

The Ministry Area Office ([029 2280 5663](tel:02922805663)) is the first point of contact for:

- Baptism and marriage enquiries
- Home communion requests: Holy Communion is available for those unable to attend church. Please contact the clergy (see number above) to arrange.
- Notification of anyone who has recently become ill, is in hospital or would appreciate a visit
- Hire of the halls or church buildings

Contact the Clergy Team for funeral enquiries and other pastoral matters.

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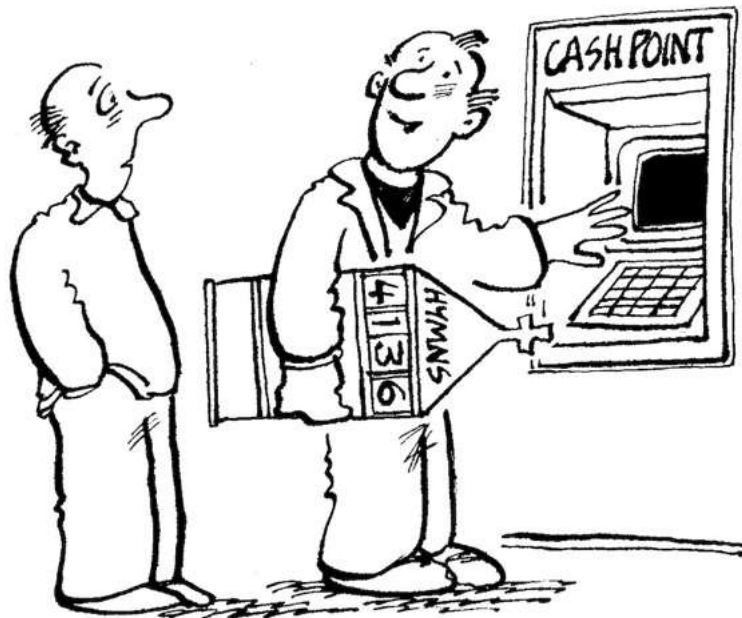
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EDITORIAL

It is a very busy time of year, with lots of spring and summer activities (quiz night, prize draw, plant and cake sales, film nights, concerts, talks, dawn chorus walk, summer celebration and open church weekend) coming up: all mentioned in various places in this month's PMAM. In fact the magazine consists largely of attention-focussing advertisements for these activities. The Annual Vestry Meeting on April 22nd is one of the most important meetings.

Elsewhere we have reports on the Ministry Area Quiet Day and the World Day of Prayer Service. These and the Spring photographs are more contemplative aspects of PMAM this month. For further contemplation, we have fitted in a couple of puzzles as well. All these activities bear witness to the message about the health of the Ministry Area that is advanced in the Clergy letter.

Our cover picture is from the 10th century church at Gropina in Tuscany. The drawing of the sculpture shows two lions, which form part of a fascinating iconography throughout the church which is far from obviously Christian.



*...between you and me, it's the
only way I can remember my PIN number!*

The editorial team: Tom Blenkinsop, Katie Cooper, Mel Griffin and Jan Knight



THE CLERGY LETTER

Dear friends,

Without venturing into the realm of quantum physics, and things being simultaneously true and untrue, and thereby unleashing Schrodinger's cat, I find myself writing this letter in the midst of a fine variety of uncertainties and unknowables.

For example, by the time you read this: we'll know whether Cymru have qualified for 'Euro 24'; the clocks will have gone forward an hour; plants and nature will be showing signs of growth rather than winter dormancy; Cadburys Mini eggs will have disappeared from the supermarket seasonal aisle; Lent will be over, and Easter will have arrived....

However, some things may still be uncertain though, such as: the date of the General Election; whether Donald Trump is confirmed as the Republican candidate for President in the USA elections; the likelihood of Arsenal finally regaining their title as the best football team in the world; the issue of why Cadbury's don't manufacture and sell Mini eggs year-round...

Most importantly though (depending perhaps on your view on Mini-egg availability?) at the point you read this we will either be awaiting, or will have just had our Annual Vestry Meeting. On April 22nd we'll have our AVM as a Ministry Area, where we'll share some of the excitements and joys of the last year, and we'll ponder some of the challenges and issues we continue to face.

The issue that always presents at these kinds of annual meetings though is which bits of the story should we pay the most attention to? It can be easy to turn these things into a bit of a back-patting exercise where we spend all our time and focus

on mutual self-congratulation. Of course, the other extreme is also easily stepped into, where we bemoan and bewail each and every little thing that we can find. Without being too Anglican about it, I suspect that the best approach is some kind of third way, where we can honestly ask ourselves the difficult questions without beating ourselves up, and where we can recognise the good things and joys that we have encountered without glossing over the other things.

As to how we do that, it's good to remember that despite all my (worst?) instincts to look at the numbers as the best way of telling whether things are going well across the MA or not (and pretty much all the things we can measure by the numbers - attendance at Sunday services, financial giving, people's involvement across the MA, numbers through the doors throughout the week etc. - are looking good) ultimately we know that these things matter less than the lives that are touched and changed by God's presence and goodness. Church Meetings can be a source of anxiety to many people (clergy most definitely included!) but the good news is that the numbers (good or bad!) don't tell the full story, and what matters most is what God is doing in and through us. I hope that the AVM on April 22nd will be a demonstration of that - as we take the opportunity to share stories about lives being changed. Have you got a story of hope and life? Have you shared something that encourages you? Have you cheered on and supported someone? These are the things that matter and that will last far longer than anything else we can do.

So, whether we have had the AVM yet or not, let us encourage you to be on the alert for those green shoots of life - both literal as we head through Spring, and metaphorical as we continue to work together as a Ministry Area to fulfil the calling we have. Look out for the good things, be honest about the things that aren't right, and above all, let us trust God for the growth and life that we know will ultimately come from Him.

Duw Bendithio

Jimmy (on behalf of the Clergy team)





ARDAL WEINIDOGAETH
PENARTH
MINISTRY AREA

ANNUAL VESTRY **MEETING**



Monday 22nd April

7.30pm



All Saints Church



FEATURES

Ministry Area Quiet Day

Carole Rees and Michael Payne report

All together now!*"For all the Saints, from whom their labours rest....."*

Do you remember singing that hymn - perhaps at school or later in church?

The theme of the annual "Quiet Day" for Lent was *Some Northern Celtic Saints* and it called to mind that hymn.

We met in the ecumenical centre of Hebron Hall in Dinas Powys, and the day was led by the Reverend Margaret Stark who introduced us to Saint Aidan, Saint Cuthbert and Saint Hilda. The latter is one of several female saints who were significant in Celtic spirituality. Aidan, Cuthbert, and Hilda were all of the Celtic tradition where there is emphasis on individual faith and solitude, nature and the environment, mysticism and sacred sites which may be referred to as "Thin Places."

Can you call to mind any past experiences of a "Thin Place" where you found you were in close communication with God?



Between the three sessions on the above saints, we were able to read, doze, paint (see Mary Taster's picture below), solve crosswords, meditate, pray in the chapel, or walk in the rain.

Thank you, Margaret, we left enlightened and refreshed.

Painting by Mary Taster



BIG PRIZE DRAW - COMING SOON

Following last year's success, we are again having a Big Prize Draw which will be launched later in April. Last year we raised almost £1000 so we hope you will 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?

- New, unopened toiletries – individual items or gift sets
- Nice tea, coffee, biscuits or treats
- Boxed chocolates, packs of wrapped sweets, etc
- Bottles of wine, spirits, or fizz
- Box of biscuits, crackers, jam, chutneys & preserves etc.
- Unwanted gifts 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 parishcommunityhall@uwclub.net



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Author events

- **Wednesday 10th April:** *'Girl A'* author **Abigail Dean** joins us to discuss her latest novel *'Day One'*, on the lasting impact of a school shooting.
- **Thursday 25th April:** Much loved novelist **David Nicholls**, author of *'One Day'*, is at All Saints to share his latest romcom, *'You Are Here'*.
- **Friday 10th May:** For all you fans of the *'Murdle'* puzzle books, join us and the American creator **GT Karber** for a live Murdle mystery!
- **Thursday 30th May:** Irish fiction laureate **Colm Tóibín** visits Penarth to discuss *'Long Island'*, long-awaited sequel to bestseller *'Brooklyn'*.

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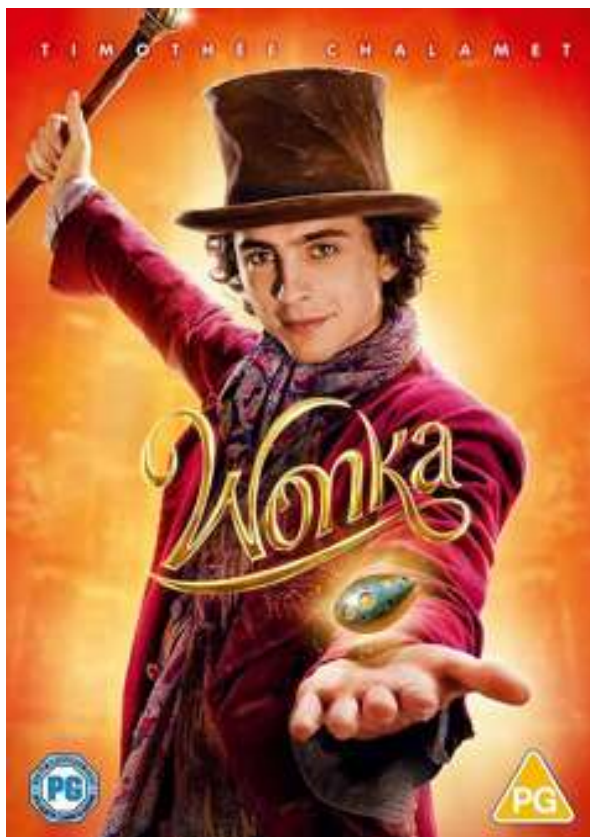
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TUESDAY APRIL 16th & THURSDAY APRIL 18TH

WONKA

WATCH OUT THE OOMPA LOOMPAS are out and about!!!!



WONKA

With dreams of opening a shop in a city renowned for its chocolate a young and poor Willy Wonka discovers that the chocolate industry is run by a cartel of greedy chocolatiers.

Starring Timothée Chalamet, Olivia Colman, Matt Lucas, Jim Carter, Sally Hawkins and a host of others.

'A wonderfully silly film - lose yourself in Wonka's world for an hour or two- you won't be disappointed'

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Ecochurch

Tom Blenkinsop shares an update from the A Rocha website

A motion to the General Synod of the Church of England brought biodiversity up the agenda of the CoE Environmental Programme to give it the same recognition as climate change.

“The UK is one of the most nature depleted parts of the world and in order to turn that around we will need to see action to restore nature on our shores from across business, government and both the national churches and local churches. Through their churchyards, gardens, burial sites, and all other types of land, churches in the UK could play a major role in protecting biodiversity. It is exciting to see a motion on land and nature come to the synod of the Church of England, a denomination with the largest land holdings, which recognises the importance of the biodiversity crisis alongside the climate crisis.”

Andy Atkins, Chief Executive, A Rocha UK



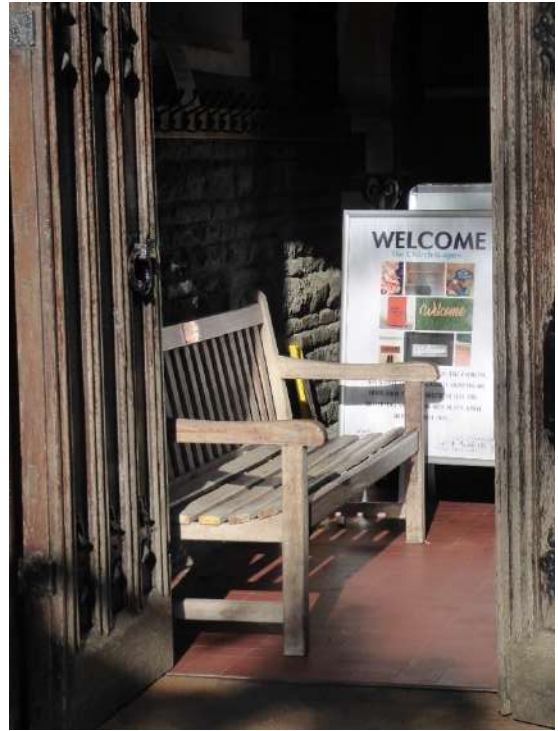
On Saturday 24 February 2024, Bishop Graham Usher presented the Land and Nature Motion to the General Synod of the Church of England. This motion aimed to give the biodiversity crisis equal consideration to the climate crisis within the environmental work of the Church of England. It is intended to strengthen and give focus to the pre-existing goal, which came to 2020 Synod, to achieve

Net Zero by 2030. It includes suggestions for actions churches and dioceses can take to use their land well for nature, including calls for churches and dioceses to engage with the ‘land’ sections of A Rocha UK’s Eco Church and Eco Diocese awards.

It also comes within the context of the UK government setting a target to protect and restore 30% of land and sea by 2030 under the Global Biodiversity Framework agreed at COP15. The UK is one of the most nature-depleted parts of the world. The most recent State of Nature report highlighted how urgently we need all sectors of society – from business, to government, to the local and national church – to be investing in nature, not only because it is a good gift from God given to us to steward and protect, but because it will be critical in helping us mitigate and adapt to climate change, and for human flourishing.

Photogallery

John Caldwell presents Spring has sprung

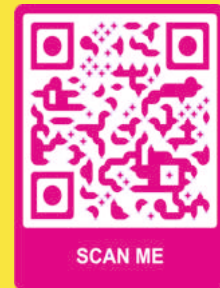




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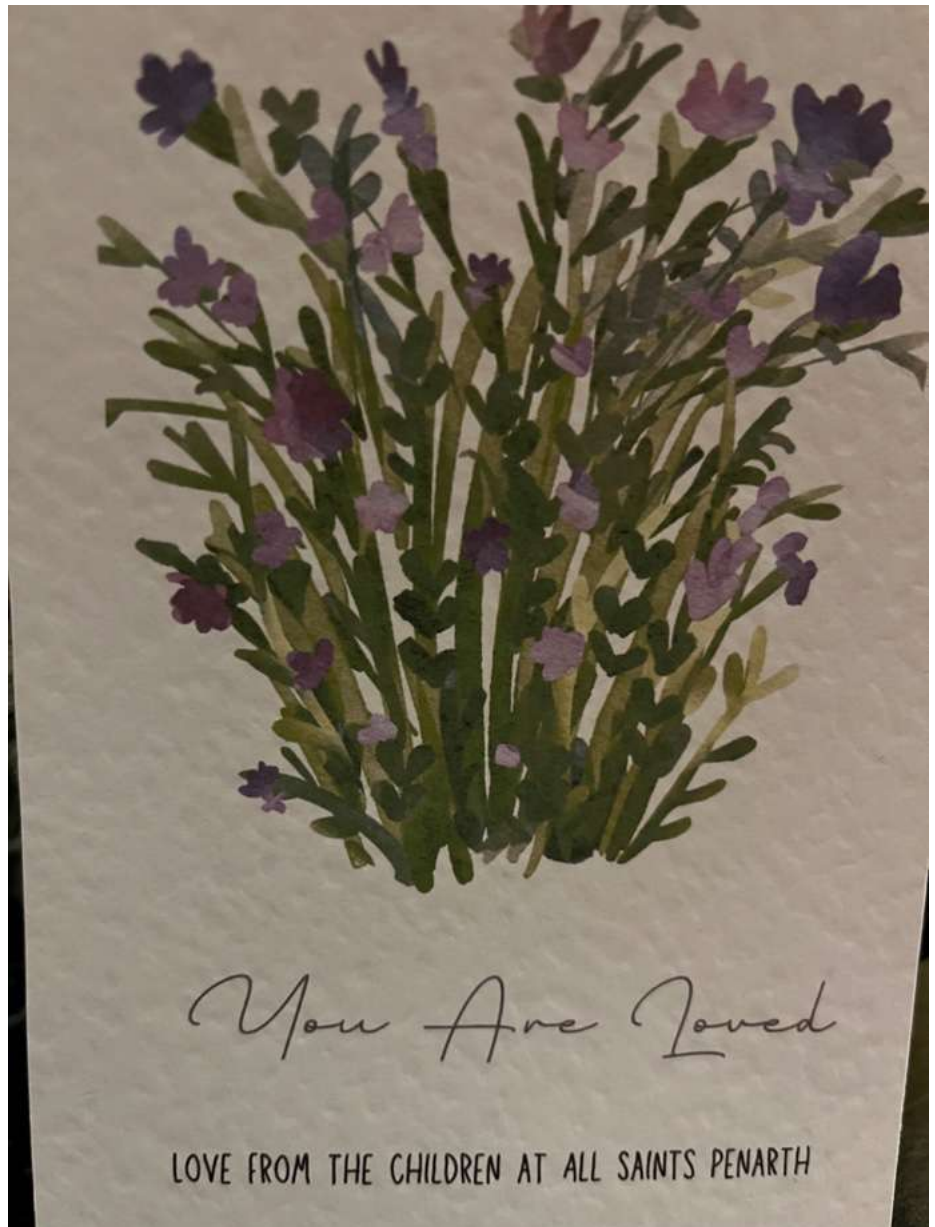
AROUND THE CHURCHES

All Saints

(Contact: Janet Akers)

March has been a busy month at All Saints with the usual well attended services, including a delightful Baptism. The Mothering Sunday service was very special thanks to Alina Davies, who designed and supplied the beautiful cards as shown in the photo. Every lady was given one of these cards by one of the youngsters from the Youth Group or Sunday School. The Church is now getting ready for Holy Week and the Easter weekend, starting with the exciting Easter Experience from Monday 18th March. Three Penarth Primary Schools are taking part in this project and the Wednesday morning session will be open to anybody who would like to see what the children have been doing and will be experiencing.

The Knitting and Natters group have celebrated the RNLI 200th Anniversary by creating an incredible display of bollard covers. These wonderful, colourful creations have been



shared online and are very popular on Penarth Esplanade.

The Popular Lent Course continues in the Gallery Wednesday evenings and the Warm Welcome Cafe is still very much appreciated.

St Augustine's

(Contact: Tom Blenkinsop)

There is progress on our continuing saga of water in the bell tower. The latest culprits for the electrical problems to come to light, so to speak, are the lights and wiring in the bell chamber, which has been isolated, leaving the electricians working throughout the rest of the tower. We will need to consider how much of the faulty system we will retain, as well as the possibility of preventing rain coming in with a waterproof but sound permeable membrane such as Galebreak. Jobs for a drier, lighter and warmer time of year!

St Peter's

(Contact: Matthew Salisbury)

The dutiful congregation that turned up for Mothering Sunday at St Peter's in spite of other attractions, notably in the Principality Stadium, could have got home to see Wales in the lead just after half time, and then witness complete destruction by the French. When one considers that the Welsh team was the Grand Slam Champion and leading team for much of the last decade, it is sobering to think we are bottom of the Six Nations. Still as Kipling said:-

"If you can meet with triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same."

Plans are being put in motion to provide extra storage facilities in St Peter's. At the moment the porch is cluttered with miscellaneous objects which do not create a good impression. There are pieces of old gravestones which can be retained, but the porch needs a good clean and a better display provided for these old pieces of masonry. Plan A is to construct a cabin just inside the gate which will not interfere with the farm's ability to see down the road.. The church also lacks a lavatory facility. The plan will be to install a suitable convenience in the cabin.

Costing all this for presentation for the MAC's approval is the trick. But as Kipling said in the same poem:-

"If you can dream and not make dreams your master;
If you can think and not make thoughts your aim."

Well, thoughts are a first step.

REPORTS AND NOTICES

World Day of Prayer Service 2024

Jenny Stonhold reports from a well-attended event.

There were about eighty people, including Penarth Mayor, Councillor Melissa Rabaiotti, at Stanwell Baptist Church for the Penarth World Day of Prayer Service on Friday 1st March. Eight women, from five churches, organised and participated in the service and Julie Teague played the piano. The service, prepared by Christian Women of Palestine had the theme, 'I beg you, bear with one another in love' from Ephesians 4:1-7.

The 'All Saints' Poppy Fall was displayed to remind us of the many lives lost in Palestine, Israel, and other conflicts across the world. A power point display of photos and maps of Palestine was projected. At the beginning of the service the Bible and candle were carried in and placed on the table shown in the photo. There was a basket of citrus fruits, Palestinian oil and dates on the table representing products from Palestine. We sang a traditional Palestinian song,

*"God of peace, come among us, rain down your peace on the world.
Make a path for your goodness, fill every heart with your peace."*



After the reading of Ephesians 4:1-7 in which Paul, a prisoner in Rome, addresses the Ephesians on how they should live their lives, we sang a new song composed for this service.

"I urge you to be patient with the calling you receive, bearing one another with love and unity."

We heard three stories from Palestinian Christian women of three different generations who witness to the power of bearing together in love. The symbol of an olive tree represents the three generations through its trunk, branches, and

leaves. As we shared the peace we exchanged olive bookmarks which we had been given with our service book. We then sang Fred Kaan's hymn, *"Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it, Protect it like a candle-flame, with tenderness enfold it."*

The reflection which followed reminded us that 'Put peace' involves prayerful action and includes giving peace to the 'other'. We were reminded that the injured traveller in the Parable of the Good Samaritan accepted help from one of the Samaritans who were a despised group. The hymn, 'I Urge You' was played as the offering of £445 (with gift aid added totalling over £500) for Christian Charities and the World Day of Prayer movement was received.

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 American Samoa. 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 2025 Penarth World Day of Prayer Service, which is prepared by the Christian women of the Cook Islands, will be on Friday March 7th at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church with the theme, 'I made you wonderful'.

A poster for a Spring Plant & Cake Sale. The text is centered within a red rounded rectangle, surrounded by a decorative border of colorful flowers. The text reads: "SPRING PLANT & CAKE SALE" in green, "St Augustine's Church Church Place South, Penarth" in red, "Saturday 6th April" in blue, "10am-12pm" in blue, "Refreshments available" in blue, "Proceeds to Penarth Ministry Area" in blue, and "Penarth Ministry Area Reg Charity 11304711" in blue. There are illustrations of a cupcake on the left and a teacup on the right.

**SPRING
PLANT & CAKE SALE**
St Augustine's Church
Church Place South, Penarth
Saturday 6th April
10am-12pm
Refreshments available
Proceeds to Penarth Ministry Area
Penarth Ministry Area Reg Charity 11304711

Get a head start on your gardening for the year and grab a sweet treat too! We'll have tea and coffee and lovely homemade cakes. 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





P.E.A.S.....Play Explorers in All Saints

A good start to the new year with plenty of action-packed themes from Roots. We all need to get motivated first thing in the morning and Sundays are no different. In January Peter led one of the sessions with a good game which had us all up and down on our feet!

In February the glitter came out in full force with our starry night representing You're Not Forgotten by God (Isaiah 40 21.31). Exercise that morning was 'hoovering' - sucking up all the glitter! In February we also celebrated St Valentine's Day with the making of love hearts and realising that how we act, what we tell others about God, how we spend our time, and what we get involved in are all important.

Mothering Sunday in March was busy, busy, busy. Alina was making those wonderful cards for the children and young people in All Saints to give out to the congregation. P.E.A.S. and PODS that morning joined together to make a special token of love for their own mum. Art and Craft skills were required for the light holders and hand decorated flowers in a flowerpot with a lovely verse which began ..Like a Flower you Love and Watch me Grow..



I hope you enjoy taking a little look at our photos and seeing how well our children are thriving in P.E.A.S. It's not about numbers. Even if we only have 1, it's about the quality of the session we present to the children.

As I type this Easter will soon be upon us and another school term will end. How quickly the months pass by and we all need time to reflect on our journey and to ensure what we are doing is the best not just for everyone else but also for us. We all give our time so freely but sometimes we need to stop and think about our own personal time and space: hard to do for those who are constantly giving, but spare a moment just for you (why not try a little gentle

exercise, it does wonders for your Mental Health. Or you could join us on a Sunday morning even if it does include 'hoovering' ?)

Lots to look forward as the year unfolds. We shall see you all very soon ..

With love and prayers

Anthea



Penarth Ministry Area

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Plant & Cake Sales

Saturday 6th April 10am
Saturday 11th May 10am
St Augustine's

Summer Celebration

All Saints Church, Victoria Square
Sun 9th June
*With food, bar, stalls, fun activities,
dance demo*

Open Church Weekend 28-30 June

St Augustine's All Saints
St Dochdwy's St Peter's



Proceeds to Penarth Ministry Area funds.
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News from St Augustine's TOTS Group

We will not be starting TOTS this month until 11th April, having broken up last month on 21st March with an Easter Party. In the photo you can see the reversible Easter bags which Anne Saunders from the Repair Cafe made us last year and which we were able to use again this year. This year, Anne also, gave us some cut



out bunny rabbits which Judith made into an attractive banner. Also in the photo are the bunny rabbits for the Easter hunt and the Easter chicks knitted by Debbie who can no longer help us. She has however handed her knitting pattern to Judith, who with the help of Knitters and Natters produced ample chicks for every child to take one home with them. Justine, our new helper, managed to find vegan

chocolate bunny rabbits to fit inside the chick cosies. Please note that we start back with a bug hunt at Victoria Square, Penarth CF64 3EL, whatever the weather as All Saints Church will be open for refreshments and toilet facilities.



On the 18th April we will be back in St Augustine's Hall and a First Aid Trainer will be coming along to give us some basic First Aid training and instructions on using a defibrillator.

We start next month on the 2nd May and break up on the 23rd for half term.

Margaret Davies

Fellowship and Events: Notices and Report

There's lots going on in our Ministry Area this month, and for the rest of the year actually!

Why not get your garden off to a blooming good start by buying your plants at the Plant and Cake Sale at St Augustine's on Saturday April 6th from 10am until 12 noon? (It is advisable to arrive earlier rather than later!).

Last month's cinema showing of "One Life" was so popular it needed an extra performance and, in anticipation of an equally large number of people wanting to see this month's showing of "Wonka", there are two showings on April 16th and 18th. The film stars Timothée Chalamet, Olivia Colman, Matt Lucas, Hugh Grant, and a host of renowned actors. The film details the early days of Charlie when he comes to realise that all the chocolate makers are corrupt and decides to do something about it, with somewhat unusual outcome. It's a fun film and very enjoyable.

For music lovers there is a piano recital by Conor Hughes on Monday April 15th at 1pm and on April 27th at 7.30pm Carwyn Ellis of The Pretenders will be appearing at St Augustine's. A prolific figure on the U.K. indie pop scene, songwriter/multi-instrumentalist/producer Carwyn Ellis is perhaps best known for Colorama, a psychedelic-leaning project that has touched on soul, electro-pop, chamber pop, singer/songwriter folk, and experimentalism while keeping melodic pop at its core. Also known for his work with Edwyn Collins and the Pretenders, he made his debut album as Carwyn Ellis & Rio 18 with the Brazilian pop-influenced Joia in 2019. The like-minded Mas appeared in 2021, followed by Yn Rio, recorded with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales. As a studio musician and producer, he has also worked with artists ranging from Oasis and UNKLE to Saint Etienne and Shane MacGowan.

The Friends of St Augustine's are holding two events this month too. The first is a talk by Chris Riley on "The Windsors" in St Augustine's Parish Hall at 7pm on April 11th. If you are an early riser you can also join them for a Dawn Chorus Walk on April 20th at 7am (starting at The Kymin) and finishing at St Augustine's by 8am.

Needles, Knitters & Natters meet on April 2nd, 16th and 30th (did you see the wonderful bollard covers they knitted for the RNLI celebrations last month?).

Let me know by April 12th about anything coming up in May that you would like me to include in next month's magazine.

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Happy New Year Torty!

As you see the Ministry Area Tortoise (MAT) has survived another winter and is up and about (after a fashion), but from having virtually no telepathic connection with him during his hibernation I'm receiving more and more messages asking when it's going to stop raining. He sends greetings, however, to all Ministry Area members (MAMS) and says that he appreciates their expressions of concern during the long winter months. He sends his regards to the other MATs – Joe and Adam – and promises to keep you all in touch with what he gets up to over the coming months, which should make for thrilling reading.



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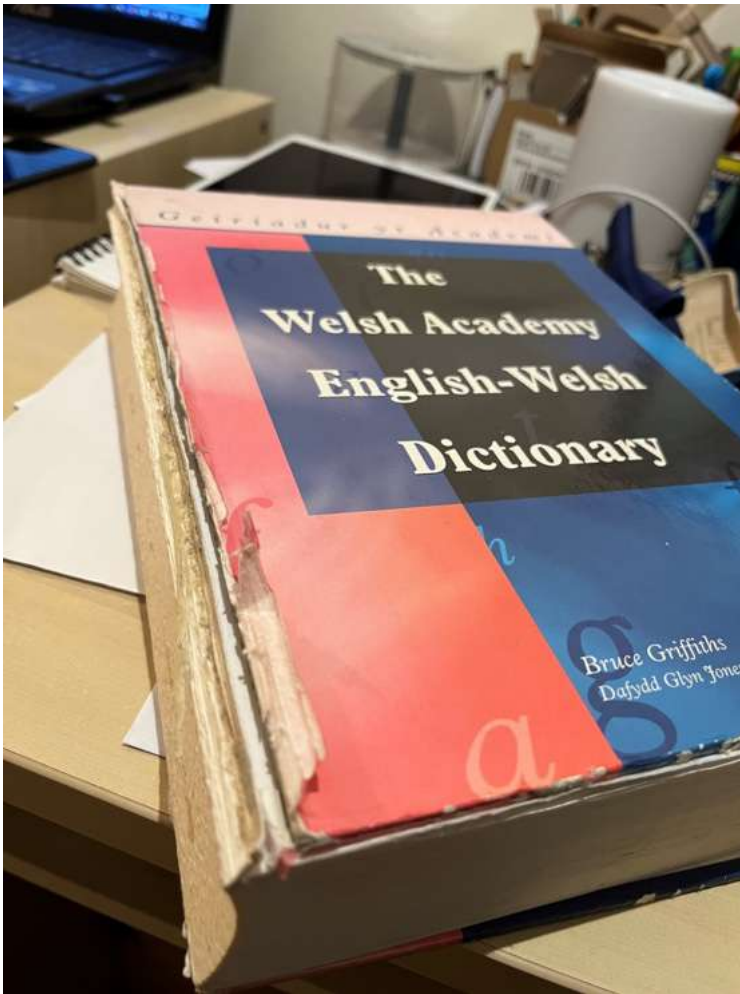
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fusnes newid a datblygu. Mae geiriau newydd yn cael eu derbyn a'u cynnwys yn yr Oxford English Dictionary bob blwyddyn a basai fy ngwaith i fel cyfieithydd yn llawer mwy anodd onibai am fy nghyfrol o "Geiriadur yr Academi". Fel y gwelwch yn y llun gwnaed defnydd tra helaeth ohono fe yn ystod y blynyddoedd y bum yn gwneud gwaith o'r fath.

Pan ddechreuais i yn y coleg roedd "Cymraeg Byw" yn ei blentyndod. Gyda'r nifer o siaradwyr Cymraeg yn lleihau, ymgais oedd hwn i safonu'r iaith a'i gwneud yn haws i ddysgwyr. Fe newidiwyd, er enghraifft, yr "Yr ydwyf i" clasurol i "Rydw i"; "Nid

ydwyf" i "Dydw i ddim" (testun llawer i ddadl). Erbyn hyn mae'r llanw wedi troi ac mae dysgwyr yn tueddu i ddysgu iaith leol unwaith eto, a'r ffurfiau wedi eu cwtogi fwyfwy "Dwi" a "Dwi ddim". Dwi'n (!) derbyn bod angen safoni a symleiddio er mwyn denu siaradwyr, ond dwi hefyd yn gresynu'r ffaith fod yr iaith glasurol yn cael ei cholli. Gobeithio wir y daw tro ar fyd cyn i'r heniaith gael ei herydu i'r fath raddau ei bod yn diflannu'n gyfangwbl i ebargofiant.

Arbrawf i fi yw sgrifennu'r erthygl yma fel mae hi. Roedd yna sawl peth gen i mewn golwg i'w cynnwys ar y dechrau ond heb bendefynu p'un i'w ddefnyddio. A rhaid cyfaddef, wn i ddim nawr beth wnaeth fy symbylu i ddilyn y trywydd

arbennig yna yn y ddau baragraff cyntaf. O ie! Meddwl tybed beth yw “i-Pod” yn Gymraeg. Rhaid dweud mod i’n hoffi “Pod-i-dot”. Beth am gyfieithu “Would you prefer instant coffee or filter?” Dwi’n cofio cymryd rhan flynyddoedd yn ôl yn un o gyfarfodydd trefnu a pharatoi rhaglen sgetsys o’r enw “Hapnod” ar S4C. (Pwy sy’n cofio rheini?) Fe gynigiodd rhywun dylai “Instant Whip” gael ei gyfieithu fel “Chwip Chwap”. Clyfar. A dyna beth dwi’n galw instant coffi yn Gymraeg – coffi chwap, yn hytrach na choffi hidl (filter) sy ddim yn swnio cystal chwaith. Dwi bellach wedi mynd ar gyfeiliorn yn gyfangwbl o ran cynnwys Cornel mis Ebrill. Rhaid ceisio bod yn fwy disgybledig a dychwelyd at un o’r themâu oedd gen i mewn golwg cyn cychwyn. Y drafferth yw mae gen i lai na chant o eiriau ar ôl o’r pum cant dwi’n eu dynodi ar gyfer rhan Gymraeg y Cornel.

Yn ôl at y Pod-i-dot – teclyn anghredadwy. Wrth feddwl am y miloedd o ganeuon sydd wedi eu storio yn y teclyn bychan yma. Mae fy chwaeth i o ran cerddoriaeth yn eithaf eclecticig. Mozart a Meinir Gwilym ac Elton John. John ac Alun, Brodyr Everley, Gilbert a Sullivan. Dwi’n hoff dros ben o ofyn i’r teclyn am shuffle (siffl?), hynny yw rhyw fath o gawl neu lobscows cerddorol lle mae’r teclyn yn dewis beth sy’n dod nesa. A bellach dwi’n gwybod yn iawn beth fydd cynnwys Cornel mis Mai, ond bydd rhaid i chi aros. Pob hwyl tan hynny.

The Welsh Corner

We Welsh people face a different linguistic problem from the English but similar I guess to the people of any country where the number of native language speakers are diminishing. We welcome new learners, and indeed there are many of them/you. But what do we do to our original language to standardise it and simplify it to make it more attractive for those who want to be able to speak it? I accept that we must make those changes if the language is to

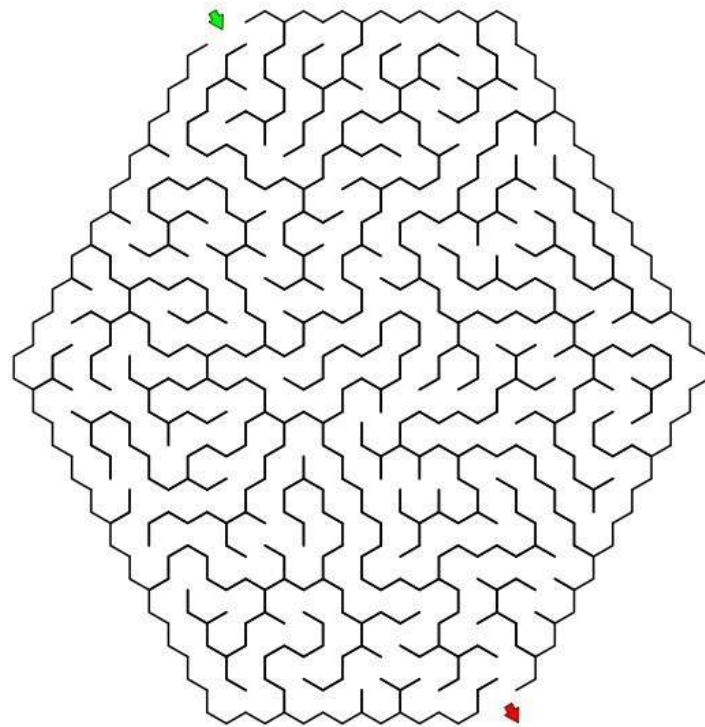


survive, but also regret the loss of much of the more classical language. I like to think that in many respects I could be considered progressive but also realise that as far as language is concerned, I could also be considered to be old-fashioned, a bit of a linguistic dinosaur – a linguasaurus. It’s not just the Welsh language. I love Sister Monica-Joan’s eloquence in “Call the Midwife” and bemoan the fact that I have great difficulty understanding a lot of what many of the younger generation say these days.

Language changes as the world around us develops and evolves. I queried what i-Pod and i-Phone and i-Mac are in Welsh since the letter “i” in Welsh is “i dot” (pronounce “ee-dot”). It looks as though there is no official Welsh word for these devices although i-phone is spelled “i-ffôn”. Pod is kept the same (“podcast” is “podlediad”), although there is a Welsh word for a pea pod, for example. My i-Pod contains a vast collection of music of all kinds from classical to country, from Eric Clapton to Max Boyce and The Beatles to the Morryston Male Voice Choir. But for what that leads on to, you must wait for the May Welsh Corner. Until then, pob hwyl a bendith.

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- Inspired by the Resurrection help us to identify issues that are holding us back and challenges that we should take on.
- Remembering how Jesus responded to his disciples' anxiety on the Emmaus road that we know Jesus walks with us when life is difficult.
- For the many people working tirelessly to help those in need. Protect, strengthen, and uphold them when they feel overwhelmed.
- For those worn down by illness, or exhausted by caring for others that they are supported and that more people become paid carers.
- For all working in the emergency services, NHS and care sector. Give them the energy to keep working when conditions are very demanding.
- For people living in war zones particularly Israel, Gaza and the West Bank and that Christians will be able to worship safely. Also for Ukraine and Sudan and for people who have fled to other countries that the aid agencies can provide support and care.
- For those working in government that they may find the wisdom they need in making decisions that affect the lives of others.
- For politicians to help asylum seekers unite with their families and find safety without resorting to dangerous journeys. That hope will replace fear.
- For young people coping with peer pressure especially on social media. Help them to develop skills to resist harmful messages.
- For those developing our youth work provision for Penarth and that more people will offer to help with youth and children's work.
- For all who have been baptised recently that we may support them as they grow in their faith.
- For us all to be open to the Holy Spirit calling us to new ways of being the Church. That more people will offer their time, talents and money to help grow God's Kingdom in the Penarth Ministry Area.

If you have any additional prayer requests, please let me know.

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WORDSEARCH



Words

George Patron Saint England Officer Roman Army Diocletian Terror Martyred
Palestine Courage Example Helper Evil Soldier Hero Golden Legend Dragon
Princess converted

St George is Patron Saint of England, but he never actually came here. He was a Christian officer in the Roman army under Diocletian, who refused to abandon his faith during the Terror. George was therefore martyred in Palestine about 300 AD. His courage became legendary, and St George became the example of a Christian fighting-man, a powerful helper against evil powers affecting individual lives. He was the soldier-hero of the Middle Ages. In the Golden Legend of the 13th century, Jacobus de Voragine tells the story of how St George helped rescue the people of Sylene in Lybia from a dragon, especially the princess, who had been offered to the dragon as a sacrifice. With the dragon dead, and the princess returned to her father the King, the people of ylene converted to Christianity.

CALENDAR OF MINISTRY AREA EVENTS

<u>Regularly held events during the month</u>	
<p>Sundays: 9.30am St Augustine's Choir Practice</p>	<p>Mondays: 10am Faith Group at 14 Llandaff Close 7.30pm-9.30pm Faith Group at 33 Wain Close - April 15th, 29th, May 13th, June 10th, 24th, July 8th, 22nd.</p>
<p>Tuesdays: 10am All Saints Holy Eucharist 10.30am Holy Nativity Midweek Eucharist (1st Tuesday of the month) 1.30-4pm Needles, Knitters & Natters 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 2.00pm All Saints Work Party in Lesser Hall 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) 9.30-11am Tots Group in St Augustine's Parish Hall 7.30pm All Saints Choir Practice</p>	<p>Fridays: 10.30am Faith Group 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, but note Sat 13th April)</p>	

Events during April 2024

2 nd	Tuesday	1.30pm	Needles, Knitting & Natters at All Saints Church
3 rd	Wednesday	6pm	Cytûn Prayer Meeting at All Saints Church
6 th	Saturday	9am	Toast at All Saints
6 th	Saturday	10am-12pm	Plant & Cake Sale at St Augustine's Church
7 th	Sunday	1-3pm	Open Church at St Augustine's
11 th	Thursday	9.30am	Tots Bug Hunt at All Saints
11 th	Thursday	7pm	FoSA Talk by Chris Riley at St Augustine's Parish Hall
13 th	Saturday	10am	Church cleaning at St Augustine's
14 th	Sunday	10am	Holy Baptism at All Saints
15 th	Monday	1pm	Music at Lunchtime at All Saints Church
16 th	Tuesday	1.30pm	Needles, Knitting & Natters at All Saints Church
16 th	Tuesday	6.30pm	Friends of Victoria Sq Meeting at All Saints Church
16 th	Tuesday	7.30pm	Cinema in the Lesser Hall 'Wonka'
17 th	Wednesday	1.15-3.15pm	Piano Tuning at St Augustine's Church
17 th	Wednesday	7pm	Cinema in the Lesser Hall 'Oppenheimer'
18 th	Thursday	10.45am	Bookworms on the Gallery at All Saints
18 th	Thursday	7.30pm	Cinema in the Lesser Hall 'Wonka'
19 th	Friday	6.45-8pm	Choir rehearsal at St Augustine's
20 th	Saturday	7-8.30am	Dawn Chorus Walk from the Kymin (FoSA)
20 th	Saturday	9am-5pm	Choir Recording at St Augustine's
20 th	Saturday	5pm	Young Musicians Showcase at All Saints
22 nd	Monday	7.30pm	Annual Vestry Meeting at All Saints
25 th	Thursday	6pm-10pm	Griffin Books Event at All Saints
27 th	Saturday	7pm	Folk music concert at St Augustine's Church
28 th	Sunday	10am	Famtaastic Event at All Saints
28 th	Sunday	3pm	Baptism of Caitlyn Brown at Holy Nativity
30 th	Tuesday	1.30pm	Needles Knitting & Natters at All Saints Church

HOME COMMUNIONS

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FROM THE REGISTERS



BAPTISMS

03/03/24 Barnaby Roger Stanley DORRELL at All Saints

HOLY MATRIMONY

23/03/24 Matthew Aaron STINGL and Jinyi YOUNG at All Saints

We wish them every blessing in their future life together!

FUNERALS

23/02/24 Maureen CULLEN at Thornhill crematorium
27/02/24 Kathleen Patricia JONES at Thornhill Crematorium
13/03/24 Gillian HUGHES at Cardiff & Vale Crematorium
13/03/24 Alan David JONES at St Dochdwy's
18/03/24 Joan HILLMAN at St Augustine's
27/03/24 Alan Derrick DREW at All Saints
28/03/24 Private funeral at All Saints

Memorial Service

01/03/24 Grenville Francis BATE at St Augustine's

We send our sincere condolences to their families and friends.

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