

**Smile :** A priest and nun are on their way back home from a meeting when their car breaks down. They are unable to get repairs completed and it appears that they will have to spend the night in a motel. The only motel in his town has only one room available so they have a minor problem.

PRIEST: Sister, I don't think the Lord would have a problem, under the circumstances, if we spent the night together in this one room. I'll sleep on the settee and you take the bed.

SISTER: I think that would be okay.

They prepare for bed and each one takes their agreed place in the room. Ten minutes later...

SISTER: Father, I'm terribly cold.

PRIEST: Okay, I'll get up and get you a blanket from the closet. Ten minutes later...

SISTER: Father, I'm still terribly cold.

PRIEST: Okay Sister, I'll get up and get you another blanket. Ten minutes later...

SISTER: Father, I'm still terribly cold. I don't think the Lord would mind if we acted as man and wife just for this one night.

PRIEST: So you'll be getting your own blanket from now on, then.

### Weekly Services

**Wednesday** 10.00am St. James, Pyle – Eucharist  
11.00am St. Mary Magdalene, Mawdlam - Eucharist

**Sunday** 8.00am St. James, Pyle – Eucharist (1984 version)  
9.30am St. Mary Magdalene, Mawdlam – Eucharist  
11.00am St. James, Pyle – Eucharist  
6.00pm St. James, Pyle – Parish Evensong  
(Except on the second Sunday in the month when there is an evening Eucharist)  
On the first Sunday of the month there is evensong in St. Mary Magdalene, Mawdlam, beginning at 5.00pm  
There is also an informal service held in the Church Hall at 10am on the fourth Sunday of the month and at 7pm on the Second Monday of the month.  
Also a service of Eucharist and Healing is held at the Sandville, on the Second Sunday of the month beginning at 7.30pm – All are welcome

***Other services and any changes as advised***

## *PARISH OF PYLE AND KENFIG*

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If you are new to the Church or just visiting please introduce yourself. We are always pleased to welcome newcomers or visitors. Also, if you worship or have previously worshipped with a different denomination and have received communion there, you are very welcome to receive communion in either of our Churches.

### ***A prayer for our Parish***

Draw your Church together O God into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world, and together witnessing to his love.

*From the Readings :*

**Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord**

*From Romans 12*

*Happy Birthday :*

Ann Thickitt (Tuesday), Brenda Evans (Thursday),  
Herbert Martin and Ian Phillips (Saturday)

## ***The next week :-***

**Today :** A reminder that there is no evening service in Pyle today as there is the Songs of Praise Service in the Hall beginning at 4.30pm

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> :** Mini Bus trip to St Fagans

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> :** 10.00 Home Communions

5.00pm Wedding Rehearsal in Mawdlam

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> :** 10.00am Eucharist in St James', Pyle

11.00am Eucharist in St Mary Magdalene Church, Mawdlam

11.40am Funeral of William Noble in Chapel of Rest in Mawdlam followed by cremation at Margam

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> :** 7.00pm PCC Meeting in St James' Church

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> :** 10.30am Mothers Union Coffee Morning in the Church Hall

1.00pm Wedding of Sian David and Wayne Perkins in Mawdlam

**Next Sunday :** In addition to the usual Sunday services there will be the Wedding Thanksgiving Service in Mawdlam beginning at 5.00pm.

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**This afternoon : Songs of Praise :** There will be a special Songs of Praise service in the Church Hall at 4.30pm. There will be no evensong in Pyle, and the service will be followed by light refreshments in the Hall.

**It would be really wonderful to have the hall absolutely packed for the occasion** – please come along !!.

**Social Sub Committee :** There will be a meeting of the committee to finalise the arrangements for the Harvest Supper immediately after the Songs of Praise service.

**St Fagan's Mini Bus trip :** The trip to St Fagan's tomorrow, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September, will be leaving from Mawdlam at 10.50am and Pyle at 11.00am.

**Mothers Union Coffee Morning :** This will be held in the Church Hall next Saturday beginning at 10.30am. Tickets are available at a cost of

just £ 1 each and the coffee morning is open to anyone who wishes to come along.

**Wedding Thanksgiving Services :** These will take place in Mawdlam at 5pm on 7<sup>th</sup> September and in Pyle at 6pm on 14<sup>th</sup> September. The services will give thanks for the gift of marriage but the services are in no way intended just for those who are married. We look forward to welcoming as many people as possible to these services.

**Back to Church Sunday :** This year Llandaff Diocese are taking part in an initiative set up in the Church of England. The idea is, just as it sounds, to encourage people to come back to Church, or even to come along for the first time, and we will be trying it in **both Churches**. This is done partly through advertising and leaflets, but most importantly simply by asking a friend to come with you on that day, whether a previous Church member or not.

The set date for this is September 28<sup>th</sup> which coincidentally is also harvest in Pyle.

Please try and encourage people to come along with you on that day.

**Parish Retreat :** Once again we are hoping to have a retreat this year. The dates will be from 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November at Ffald y Brenin in West Wales. The cost for a 2 night stay with breakfast and an evening meal provided will be in the region of £90 per person including transport. We are now trying to finalise numbers so if you would like to attend please put your name on the list in the porch of either Church.

Last year's retreat was a wonderful experience for all who attended and hopefully we will enjoy a similar time together this year.

**BAVO Course :** There is a course being run by Bridgend Association of Voluntary Organisations about Working with older people. The course is on 11<sup>th</sup> September at The Price Centre in Llangeinor from 6.30pm to 8pm. Allan Brookes has further details if anyone wishes to attend.

**Some other things going on in the near future :**

Harvest in Pyle : 28<sup>th</sup> September

Harvest in Mawdlam : 5<sup>th</sup> October

Harvest Supper : 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in the Hall

PCC Morning and Lunch at The Rest : 18<sup>th</sup> October

**A thought:** "The preaching that this world needs most is the sermons in shoes that are walking with Jesus Christ." D.L. Moody