

Smile : Some rather corny short jokes !!

As she was a woman I wonder how many fig leaves Eve tried on before finding the one she wanted !

What sort of lighting did Noah have on the Ark ? Flood lighting of course !

A Vicar announced one day, 'And now let us pray for those who are sick of this Parish !

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

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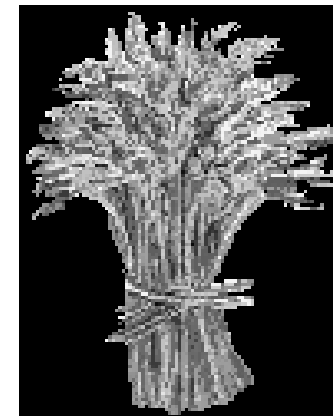
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Please take this home with you

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.



Happy Birthday :

Olwen Chambers and Orrea Edmunds (Tuesday),
Paul Vann (Thursday), Neil Morgan (Friday)

From the Readings :

He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, but the one who plants generously will get a generous crop

from 2 Corinthians 9

The next week :-

Today : Harvest in Mawdlam (No evensong in Pyle)
1.00pm Baptism of Madison Grace Allen in St James' Church, Pyle
Monday 6th : 9.00am Assembly in Afon Y Felin Primary School
Tuesday 7th : 10.00am Home Communions
6.30pm Meeting in the Church Hall for those willing to help with decorating work
Wednesday 8th : 10.00am Eucharist in St James', Pyle
11.00am Eucharist in St Mary Magdalene Church, Mawdlam
2.00pm Pyle Primary School in St James' Church
7.30pm Alpha Course in The Apostolic Church, Greenfield Avenue
7.30pm Monthly Sandville Service
Thursday 9th : 2.00pm Pyle Primary School in St James' Church
Friday 10th : 10.00am Harvest in Corneli Primary School
3.30pm Sunbeams Childrens Club in Corneli School
6.30pm Harvest Supper in the Church Hall
Saturday 11th : Work starting on the refurbishment of the floor in the Church Hall

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Thanks to all who have helped to decorate our two Churches for the Harvest Festivals. It is very much appreciated.

Church Hall Painting : There will be a meeting to plan the work that is going to be done in the Church Hall on Tuesday 7th October at 6.30pm. Anybody willing to help is invited to come along, and we can plan out exactly when and how we will do the work which will hopefully start soon after. If you are willing to help but are unable to make that meeting please let Howard Evans or Revd Ian Rees know.

Alpha Course : The Alpha Course in conjunction with the Apostolic Church in Cornelly will continue this Wednesday. New members on the course are welcome to come along to the meeting beginning at 7.30pm.

Sandville : The next monthly Service at Sandville will be held this Wednesday, 8th October, beginning at 7.30pm.

Cheltenham Christmas Shopping Trip : There is a coach trip to the beautiful Town of Cheltenham arranged for 4th December. The cost will

be an absolute maximum of £ 10 per person. If you are interested in going on the trip please put your name on the list as soon as possible, as we need to work out numbers to decide the size of the bus required.

Informal Service in the Hall : The next Monday evening service will be held on Monday 13th October, beginning at 7.00pm. As the main hall is out of action that week, we will be using the lesser hall for the service.

Keith & Kristyn Getty : Are performing at St David's Hall on Wednesday 22nd October with Cambrensis Choir. They, along with Stuart Townend have been responsible for writing many new hymns including The Power of the Cross and In Christ Alone. Tickets for the concert are available from St David's Hall.

Thanks from Betty Lingwood : For your prayers, phone calls and enquiries about my daughter and grandson. I am pleased to say that there is light at the end of the tunnel for Jacqui. She will still need monitoring but hopes to return to work soon. Owen will be returning to university next week after a six month break. Thank you again for your support through what has been a truly difficult and anxious time.

Parish Share : At the Diocesan Conference last week it was mentioned by the Bishop that the Parish share (the amount we pay towards the work of the Diocese each year) will rise over the next few years. It is obviously a good time to try and anticipate this and we would once again ask you to consider the amount you give towards the Church. Obviously many of you will already give as much as you can, and we appreciate any amount as your presence here is certainly not in any way dependant on what you can give, but if you feel you are able to give more then please do so.

In a recent letter the Bishop also mentioned some figures about attendance over our Diocese which may be of interest :-

Communicants at Easter increased by 2.8% from 2007 to 2008-10-03
Direct giving exceeded £4 million for the first time

Churches gave away £600,000 to outreach and mission causes (an average of 10.4% of income)

There was a noticeable increase in both adult and infant baptisms and Confirmations

There is much to celebrate in these figures and we continue to pray and work to increase the mission work of the Church in our own communities and further afield.