

**Smile** : An exasperated mother, whose son was always getting into mischief, finally asked him, "How do you expect to get into heaven with the way you behave ?"

The boy thought it over and said, "Well, I'll run in and out and in and out and keep slamming the door until St Peter says, 'For heavens sake Johnny, either come in or stay out !'"

### 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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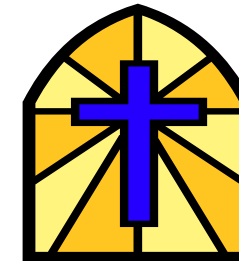
### *News Sheet 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2008*

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 :  
Jane Evans (Tomorrow), John Lougher (Tuesday),  
Richard Lougher (Friday)

From the Readings :  
... in every place your faith in God has become known  
From 1 Thessalonians 1

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

**Today** : In addition to the usual services we have the baptism of Samantha Evison at 12.30pm in Pyle

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** : 9.00am Assembly in Afon Y Felin Primary School  
10.00am Burial of ashes in Mawdlam

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** : 9.15am Harvest in Afon y Felin School  
10.45am Clergy Training Day at Bethlehem, Cefn Cribwr  
7.00pm Mothers Union Meet in the Church Hall

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** : 10.00am Eucharist in St James', Pyle  
11.00am Eucharist in St Mary Magdalene Church, Mawdlam  
7.30pm Alpha Course in The Apostolic Church, Greenfield Avenue

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>** : 6.30pm Social Committee Meeting in the lesser hall (there is dancing in the main hall)

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>** : 3.00pm Renewal of Vows in Mawdlam

**Afon y Felin School** : Would appreciate help from anyone who may be interested in helping with reading for the younger children at the school. If you are able to offer even a short time then please speak to Revd Ian Rees.

**Sunbeams** : There will be no Sunbeams club this week as the children are breaking up for half term or next week as it will be half term.

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

**Thanks** to all who helped with and organised the Harvest Supper and also to Penybont Ladies Choir for providing the entertainment. The evening was extremely enjoyable.

**Thanks also** to those who are working to decorate the Church Hall. This is progressing well following the building of the 2 new storerooms and also the removal of the front apron of the stage. The work to restore the floor has been done, and we have a new portable front for the stage which will provide the necessary disabled access into the hall. We also have new curtains ordered and they should be fitted in the near future.

**Cheltenham Christmas Shopping Trip** : There is a coach trip to the beautiful Town of Cheltenham arranged for 4<sup>th</sup> December. The cost

will be an absolute maximum of £ 10 per person. There are a small number of places now left. 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.

**Mothers Union** : The next meeting will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October beginning at 7.00pm. The speaker is Mrs Margaret Jones, and the theme 'Home to Bardsey'. The meeting will be followed by a short committee meeting.

**Parish Retreat** : There are a couple of places left on the retreat. If you are interested please let Revd Ian Rees know urgently as numbers have to be confirmed. The dates of the retreat are 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November at Ffald y Brenin in West Wales.

**Social Committee** : There will be a meeting of the Social Committee at 6.30pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October in the small hall.

**Biblelands Christmas Catalogue** : These are now available in both Churches. If you borrow one please bring it back the following week. There is a list for you to make orders in each Church. Biblelands is an excellent charity with the proceeds from your purchases going directly to projects within the Bible lands region.

**Confirmation Classes** : Please could you let Revd Ian Rees know if you would be interested in being confirmed, or know of anyone who may be interested. We are hoping to have a Confirmation early next year in February, but this will be dependant on numbers.

**Parish Share** : A couple of weeks ago we mentioned increasing costs. This week we heard our Parish share figure for next year (the amount we pay to the Diocese), and it shows an increase of over £200 per month. Please remember this when considering your giving to the Church.

**Some November dates** : Remembrance Sunday is on 9<sup>th</sup> November, and our morning services that day will not be Communion services. (There is Communion in the evening in Pyle that day). There is a chance to remember loved ones in our memorial services on 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 7pm in Mawdlam and 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 7pm in Pyle. The Christmas Fayre will be held on Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>.