

Buallt Benefice “Pews News” November 2021

Alltmawr – St Mauritius

Builth Wells – St Mary

Llandewi’r Cwm – St David

Llanynis – St David

Maesmynis – St David

Welcome everyone to the first edition of Pews News which covers the five churches within the Buallt Benefice. The hope is that a simple A4 sheet containing the most up to date information on what is happening within our churches and beyond, will help us all to feel more involved and informed.

New Bishop Elect Chosen for Swansea and Brecon

The Archdeacon of Wrexham, John Lomas, was announced this week as the next Bishop of Swansea and Brecon by the Church In Wales’s Senior Bishop, Andy John. Archdeacon John, who was born in Ashton-under-Lyne, Greater Manchester, was a Royal Navy aircraft engineer before becoming ordained in 1994 after training at St Michael’s Theological College, Llandaff.

Archdeacon John said he was looking forward to leading the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon as it began its new chapter. He said, “I feel very privileged to have been appointed as Bishop of Swansea and Brecon and am looking forward to getting to know the diocese. My motivation has always been to work with people and clergy to release them and resource them to build church in the community and to be the very best interpretation of the Good News of Jesus in whatever situation we find ourselves, whether we are in a large urban setting or a small deeply rural setting. Helping people on the road to living their best life in Christ is a huge privilege.”

“I am very much a fan of keeping things simple, straightforward and understandable. I love the simplicity of the Swansea and Brecon Diocesan message of ‘Gather, grow, go’. I hope to work with the people of the diocese to make sure that these three words burst into life, that gathering happens, growing happens and going happens. And as a consequence a living Gospel is seen, experienced and proclaimed.”

The appointment will be confirmed on November 22 at a meeting of the Sacred Synod of Church in Wales Bishops at St Giles’ Church, Wrexham. Archdeacon John’s consecration as Bishop will take place at Brecon Cathedral at a date yet to be fixed.

The congregations of the Buallt churches extend to Archdeacon John our warmest congratulations and assure him of our thoughts and prayers.

Buallt Benefice Sunday Services During November and December 2021

**Nov 7th 9:30am Morning Prayer St Mary's Builth Wells
3:00pm Holy Communion St David's Llandewi'r Cwm**

**Nov 14th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
9:45am Act of Remembrance St Mary's Builth Wells,
followed by 10:45am gathering at the
War Memorial on the Groe**

**Nov 21st 9:30am Holy Communion St Mary's Builth Wells
11:00am Holy Communion St David's Maesmynis**

**Nov 28th ADVENT SUNDAY
9:30am Holy Communion St Mary's Builth Wells**

**Dec 5th 9:30am Advent Antiphons St Mary's Builth Wells
3:00pm Holy Communion St David's Llandewi'r Cwm**

Dec 12th 9:30am Holy Communion St Mary's Builth Wells

**Dec 19th 9:30am Holy Communion St Mary's Builth Wells
11:00am Advent Carols St David's Maesmynis**

**Dec 24th CHRISTMAS EVE
5:00pm Family Carol Service St Mary's Builth Wells
7:00pm YFC Carol Service St David's Llandewi'r Cwm
8:30pm (approx.) Holy Communion Llandewi'r Cwm
11:30pm Holy Communion St Mary's Builth Wells**

**Dec 25th CHRISTMAS DAY
11:00am Holy Communion St David's Llanynis**

Dec 26th No Services except on Zoom at 9:30am