

Christ Church News

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Lockdown Special

Congratulations Siôn on your Ordination



We are delighted to welcome Rev Siôn onto our clergy team. Siôn was ordained on Saturday 27th June at Llandaff Cathedral by Bishop June.

He has been with us as an ordinand for the past year and we congratulate him on his Ordination. He will be placed with us, at Christ Church, for the next three years and we wish him every blessing in his ministry .

- ◆ Being ordained in lockdown has to be a first !
- ◆ This edition also highlights lockdown for families in our Parish and even lockdown in Kenya.
- ◆ Please read the enticing offer of fruit and veg from Claire Edwards from her lockdown allotment.
- ◆ Finally, please consider filling in the enclosed questionnaire to help us gain grant funding for the new hall. The new hall is still being planned apace, and we now have been granted planning consent for the small revisions to the original plan. If you would like to make a donation to our project please contact Gerald Bradnum or John Hodgson. Starting our building during lockdown would be great.

The Kilvingtons in lockdown



The first supermarket shopping trip felt really scary, like a commando raid, masks and gloves adding to the fear. Time taken to "Decontaminate", the car, keys, bags, door handles etc. on arriving home, took as long as the sortie.

At first the luxury of the extra time spent not going out seemed to be spent cleaning places and things we hadn't thought of before, but the enthusiasm soon wore off and we decided to spend most of our time in the garden, where everything benefitted as we were unable to go on our usual holiday at a vital planting time.

We soon worked out how to see the family safely in the garden - it was strange when they brought all their own picnic and drinks. As things relaxed we had our grandson Josh's 4th birthday in the (freezing) garden, but we still had a good day.

Local walks in Bute Park and the Taff trail have now been added to our repertoire of walks and have been much enjoyed. We have also derived pleasure from Christchurch podcasts and Choral Evensong from Cathedrals, on Radio 3.

Let's look forward to seeing one another soon.

Gill & Howard



Josh's 4th Birthday

LOCKDOWN PRODUCE FOR SALE IN AID OF NEW CHURCH HALL FUND



Allotment produce and preserves available for a donation to our new Church Hall funds - redcurrants and gooseberries, jams such as raspberry, mix of strawberry & gooseberry, red currant jelly, Seville marmalade - black currant jam to come - various sizes.

Tomatoes, courgettes, runner beans and apples later in July. Contact Claire - Tel. 029 20756493 - leave a clear message with your name and phone number so I can contact you to make arrangements for delivery etc.

THANKS
Claire

A BIG THANK YOU FROM KENYA



From Lockdown UK to Lockdown Kenya

Thank you to all who gave financial gifts to Pastor Michael and his church in the village of Kimilili in Kenya. The money you sent has been used to pay for food parcels for 13 families who have no income at all due to lock down. Michael wants to say thank you very much.

PS The lock down in Kimilili is being extended so if you haven't had a chance to give, please contact Linda Alexander 07814759559 or Carol Mills 07849589432 who will make sure it gets there safely

The Rylands in lockdown



Justine, Seth, Max, Glyn and Bea

It's been a strange few months on Beatty Avenue. We had just got used to our oldest son, Max being away at university when he was back! One minute I was dropping him off in the Staffordshire rain, the next minute I was collecting him, in the rain. I felt unexpectedly sad making that early return journey, feeling sharply that he would be missing out on the summer term, playing football in the campus grounds, sharing Pringles and drinking responsibly with his new mates once studying was done!

The change in the weather was almost as if someone was looking out for us. The sunshine got me out in the garden and enabled me to continue my 10 000 steps a day challenge which I had originally set myself as a Lent goal. Together with Bea, we have walked just about every street in the neighbourhood and I feel we know every crack in the path and every birds' nest around the lake. **Our late night bat walks have been a real treat as the gates remain unlocked.**

CROCHET

Bea has learnt to crochet, dazzling me with her determination and perseverance as she tackles increasingly complicated patterns and designs, all thanks to You Tube and the kindness of a neighbour whose enthusiasm and encouragement have been a great source of inspiration.



POTTER EXTRAORDINAIRE

Glyn's pottery empire has been growing as the world's population turn to Etsy and on-line shopping for their retail needs. He has been juggling 'proper' work from home with throwing, glazing, firing and wrapping jugs, mugs, bowls and dishes. He



Glyn's pottery empire

is now on first name terms with the lady in the Post Office on St Isan Road, who he sees daily and who has remained opened throughout this time.

BAKING

You won't be surprised to learn that we have also been doing lots of baking. It's amazing how you can fill a day perusing cookbooks,



Part of the cake mountain

sourcing ingredients, baking and eating. On occasion the cake mountain has got to a point where we have been distributing it to neighbours and friends as we bake faster than we can eat!

TEACHING ON -LINE

My job as a primary school teacher has changed dramatically in the last few weeks as I have grappled with all sorts of new technology as my dining room has become my new classroom and office. I have been making weekly phone calls to pupils and their families, sometimes listening to very sad stories to which I have no answer. I found myself saying, on more than one occasion, 'I will keep you all in my prayers' as I didn't have anything else to offer. It has been heartening to hear the responses that this offer has brought. On the whole, we have managed well as a family. There have been tears and tensions and periods when my teenage sons have become nocturnal. They tell me the Internet is speedier in the wee small hours. I have had to remind myself that getting cross is not going to help anyone and have appreciated the kindness of friends and neighbours more so than ever. We really have been counting our blessings as we all remain physically well, have food in the cupboard, a secure roof over our heads and have the support and love of each other.

It is amazing what life can throw at you and the resilience and resolve you discover deep within yourself.

Justine

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**Other Clergy: Revd Canon Jenny Wigley : Revd Andrew Wade : Revd Canon Ian Rogerson
Revd Chris Burr : Revd Siôn Brynach**

Lay Readers: Dominic De Saulles : Eleanor Williams (in training)

Parish Secretary Denise Searle: at Parish Office (Monday and Wednesday mornings)

Parish Office/Hall Enquiries Tel: 029 20763151

Church Wardens

Haydn Hopkins Tel: 029 20621280 Colin Francis Tel: 029 20751773

During this time of Covid-19 events are curtailed. However, please contact our team for any information

PCC Secretary	Judith Hill 029 20758080
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Hall Bookings Secretary Gill Barker 02920 747464

Music at Christ Church Sue Hurrell & Jane Roberts: :
youth choir on Tuesday evenings in Sue's house
email : hurrell.sue@gmail.com / 029 20485171

Main choir 2nd & 4th Thursday of month 6.30-7.30pm
in church Janeg@doctors.org.uk/ 07909 971293

**We'd be delighted to welcome new musicians and
choir members**

ConneXion Groups.....

Meet monthly at various times and in various houses. Contact the Parish office for more information.

Good Companions Tuesdays 2:00pm– 4.00pm

Contact: Val Jones or Alison Peters

Val Jones Tel: 029 20747021

Alison Peters 029 20761277

SCOUTS Beavers Monday at 6.30pm

Cubs Wednesday 6:15pm

Scouts – 84th Cardiff

Wednesdays 7:30pm

Geoff Payne 02920 756577

OR Caryl Roach, 02920 754463

CHILDRENS & YOUTH WORK

Chatterbox Parents & Toddlers – every Thursday
1:30pm – 3:00pm in the hall.

Contact: **Ann Francis Tel 029 20751773**

FUNKY Church age up to 11 meets each Sunday
during the service except for Family service.

Sandra Hughes Tel: 029 20758588

Messy Church

Contact: **Linda Alexander Tel: 07814759559**

Youth Club J Walkers age 11– 18

Sandra Hughes 029 20758588

Open the Book

Alison Peters 02920761277

Sylvia McCarty 0774324139

Child Protection Officer

Contact: **Colin Francis Tel: 02920 751773**

Rainbows in the church hall

Tuesdays 5:00pm

Contact: **Emma Lane Tel 02920 750675**

Join us during this difficult time for our online services
[www.soundcloud.com/ christchurchcardiff](http://www.soundcloud.com/christchurchcardiff)