

Holy Island (Bro Cybi News)

Archdeacon's Visitation

The Venerable Paul Davies will be holding his visitation to the Ministry Area on Tuesday 10 June. There will be an opportunity to meet with Paul at various stages during the day, but there will be an act of worship at 7:00pm that day, and Kevin would be grateful if you would keep that time free in your diaries.

Diaries

Tuesday 17 June: Choir Concert with afternoon tea at St Ffraid's at 2:30pm – Tickets £4

Sunday 22 June: Afternoon Tea at Rectory Cottage, Rhoscolyn (3pm-5pm)

Monday 21 July to Saturday 2 August: Charity Shop (Volunteers are needed)

Thursday 24 July: Coffee Morning with stalls in St Ffraid's Hall (10:30-12 Noon)

Saturday 2 August: Commemoration Service with Dedication of Garden of Remembrance at St Cybi's at 11am with Andrew, Bishop of Bangor.

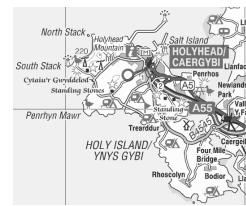
Saturday 2 August: St Cybi's, St Ffraid's and St Gwenfaen's will be open for the day (please look out for details of times on the news sheet)

Friday 1-Monday 4 August: Flowers of Remembrance at St Ffraid's

Wednesday 20 August- Monday 25 August: St Cybi's Flower Festival

Thursday 21 August: Coffee Morning at St Gwenfaen's Hall (10:30-12 Noon)

Saturday 23-Monday 25 August: Craft Show in St Gwenfaen's Hall



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The Church in Wales has stated "the creation of "Ministry Areas" is one of the most radical changes we're making. They "reflect huge changes which have taken place in our society. The parish system, as originally set up with a single priest serving a small community, was put in place when people lived and worked in the same parish. All this has now changed – the communities to which people now belong are very varied and people travel freely". The new Ministry Area of Bro Cybi (Holy Island) is part of something huge.

Since the creation of the Ministry Area on 22 February 2014. This is what we have done together so far.

We journeyed through Lent beginning with worship in both St Cybi's and St Gwenfaen's.

We celebrated Holy Week together, through sharing in worship and by using a study booklet.

We have ran two Messy Church events, one in Holyhead and the other in Rhoscolyn

44 of us have met in St Ffraid's Hall to discuss our Ministry Area Constitution

Members of the Ministry Area Council, wardens and treasurers have met to discuss finance and mission.

On Rogation Sunday, some of us will walk part of the boundaries of the Ministry Area.

In addition to which, worship has taken place in each of the four congregations, individual church committees have met, and fundraising events have happened.

Parish Share

This is the contribution of money that the Diocese of Bangor asks us to pay each year. As a Ministry Area, we are part of the Diocesan family. This year we are being asked for a little over £60K between the four churches. It is the contribution that we are being asked to pay towards the family budget. Kevin and others are working on a leaflet to help us understand what the Parish Share is. For now, it is important for each of us to know that our Diocesan family is generous to us. Having two paid clergy costs the Diocese more than the amount they ask us to give. Please look out for the leaflet and think about what you give.

Baptisms

We are as a Ministry Team thinking about how we prepare people for Baptism, where baptisms take place (which service?) and how we follow people up. There will be a meeting with Kevin and Jane to explore this further.

As a Diocese we have launched a new set of materials which help us think through what it means to be Christian and what churches should be like in the 21st Century

Living and Learning

On Thursday 29 May (Ascension Day), we are very pleased to welcome Mike West, who is the Director of Ministry, author and designer of Living and Learning to come and share with us how this course might work on Holy Island.

This will take place in St David's, Morawelon on 29 May 2014 at 7:00pm.

What is Messy Church?

It is an activity for all the family. There are three components:

Fun: crafts and games related to a particular theme, with an adult volunteer looking after each activity, and also talking about how it relates to the theme.

Worship: a song, a story, a prayer

Food: at which all the Messy Church family joins in.

The next Messy Church events are: 7 June (Rhoscolyn), 28 June (Milbank Hall), 5 July (Trearddur Bay): all start at 3pm.

You might be able to donate some of the following to help us run Messy Church

Lining wall paper-Egg boxes (cardboard)-PVA glue-Colouring material-Poster paint-Clean empty yogurt pots-Marbles-Paper plates-Card that will be suitable for craft-Felt tip pens

Wardens

The following have been elected to serve: Ministry Area Wardens: Carys Griffith and Edna Aldred, Churchwardens: Edna Aldred and Susan Hanbury (St Gwenfaen's), Meg Davies and Richard Thomas (St Ffraid's), Kath Evans and Gill Jepson (St David's), Betty Abbitt and Elwyn Owen (St Cybi's).

We owe a debt of gratitude to Raymond Worthington who has stepped down as Ministry Area Warden

