

# Services and Events in September 2024

## 1<sup>st</sup> September

9.30am **St. James the Elder, Llanvetherine.** (Morning Prayer)

11.00am **St. Teilo's, Llantilio Crossenny.** (Holy Communion)

*This service is followed by tea/coffee and a chat; everyone is very welcome even if you do not join the service. Refreshments served from 11.45-12.30pm.*

## 8<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am **St. Cadoc's, Penrhos .**

*Refreshments are served after the service from approximately 10.20am onwards and everyone from the community is very welcome.*

11.00am **St. Mabli's, Llanvapley.** (Holy Communion)

*This service is followed by tea/coffee and a chat; everyone is very welcome even if you do not join the service. The bell will be rung when the service finishes.*

## 15<sup>th</sup> September

9.30am **St. James the Elder, Llanvetherine.** (Holy Communion)

11.00am **St. Teilo's, Llantilio Crossenny.** (Morning Prayer)

*This service is followed by tea/coffee and a chat; everyone is very welcome even if you do not join the service. Refreshments served from 11.45am-12.30pm.*

## 22<sup>nd</sup> September

9.30am **St. Cadoc's, Penrhos.**

*Refreshments are served after the service from approximately 10.20am onwards and everyone from the community is very welcome.*

11.00am **St. Mabli's, Llanvapley. (Harvest Festival)**

*The Harvest Festival service will be followed by a buffet lunch in the church. Everyone is welcome.*

## 29<sup>th</sup> September

6pm **St Michael's Llanvihangel Crucorney: Ministry Area Evensong**  
Accompanied by the Pop-Up choir led by Philip Norman.



## **News from the 4 Churches.**

### **St Cadoc's, Penrhos**

**Harvest Festival: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm.**

This is always a wonderful service and everyone is very welcome to join us and to come along afterwards to High House for Harvest Supper. There will be a church clean and set up in the week leading up to Harvest Festival and the date will be announced closer to the time.

### **St. James the Elder, Llanvetherine**

**Harvest Festival: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am**

The Llanvetherine Harvest Festival this year will take place as part of the normal service and all are very welcome to join us.

Everyone at Llanvetherine would like to congratulate Natalie and Jay on the occasion of their wedding at St James the Elder on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August and wish them every happiness for their future together.



## **St. Mabli's, Llanvapley**

### **Harvest Festival: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 11.00am.**

Everyone is very welcome to our harvest festival service and buffet lunch in the church. Details of the service and how to help will be given out at the service on 8<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Taize service in Llanvapley.**

There will be a Taize service in Llanvapley church on Thursday 21st November at 7pm. Rehearsals for the service will take place at the Catholic Church at Llanarth hospital on Sunday 6th October at 4pm and Sunday 3rd November at 4pm and one more date nearer the time. Everyone is welcome to the service and the rehearsals which will be of particular interest to anyone who enjoys singing.

### **Llanvapley Flower Rota**

Thanks go to everyone who has offered their services to provide flowers for the church over the next year. Flowers are always greatly appreciated both by visitors and members of the congregation.



## **The Congregational Chapel cemetery gets a smart new wall**

Llanvapley used to have a church and a chapel. The chapel was knocked down late in the 20th century but the cemetery continues to be maintained and is well looked after. The chapel is half a mile up Firs Road and its roadside wall has been rebuilt and new metal work has been installed. The work has been done to a high standard and the new wall and gates are a great improvement.



### **St. Teilo's, Llantilio Crossenny.**

Thank you to everyone who has helped to ensure that there are now enjoyable refreshments after every service at St Teilo's.

If you would like to help, there is a Tea Rota 2024 in place for people to add their names at the back of the church.

The more, the merrier!

### **Harvest Festival: Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am.**

Everyone is very welcome to the St Teilo's Harvest Festival service and buffet lunch in the church. Details of the service and how to help will be given out at the service on 15<sup>th</sup> September.

### **An Invitation to the Licensing of Revd. Mary Moore**

Everyone is cordially invited to the licensing service of Revd. Mary Moore as House for Duty Vicar of Grosmont Pastoral District at St Nicholas' Church, Grosmont on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm.

## Llangattock Vibon Avel Church

Llangattock Vibon Avel Church is only a few miles from Llantilio Crossenny and is hidden away in one of the most beautiful parts of the county. The church is in the Monmouth and Marches Ministry area and is now in the care of the Friends of Friendless Churches. The church is open every day and still has the occasional service. The churchyard is large and is well known for being the final resting place of Charles Rolls of Rolls Royce fame who was famously the first person in the country to die in an aircraft accident. Over the next few months the church is hosting an art exhibition which is well worth a visit.



A recent visitor to the exhibition wrote this in the visitors' book.

"Arriving early in the morning (6.15am) the stillness as I came around the corner of the church was beautiful. I had visions as I looked down towards the war memorial, of the disciples fishing in still water, talking of the day ahead".

Make sure you look at a map before you plan a visit to the church and don't be put off by the rough track. The turning is the next left after the Montessori School, just before the recently renovated house. Park up at the bottom as the track opens up and head on down the grassy path and around the corner of the church".



## **HARVEST FESTIVALS 2024**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 11.00am**  
St Mabli's, Llanvapley  
followed by Harvest Lunch in the church.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm**  
St Cadoc's, Penrhos  
then afterwards at High House.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am**  
St James the Elder, Llanvertherine

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am**  
St Teilo's, Llantilio Crossenny  
followed by Harvest Lunch in the church.

# NMMA CHOIR

[festival-choir.cymru/NMMA](http://festival-choir.cymru/NMMA)

## Autumn and Winter Requests 2024

The NMMA Choir serves the seventeen parishes of the North Monmouthshire Ministry Area. Membership of the choir is open to any interested singers.

Each request functions as a stand-alone project. That is, participation in any one event does not imply participation in any others.

The repertoire chosen is tailored to the singers available. Those singers are not hammered into an unhappy union with hard notes.

These are the requests for the next few months. If you want to know more about any one, just visit the website or contact Philip Norman (details below).

Sunday 29 Sept 6.00 pm

### St Michael's Church

Llanvihangel Crucorney

### Sung Evensong

One of the regular NMMA fifth-Sunday-of-the month services, held on St Michael's Day

[festival-choir.cymru/  
evensong](http://festival-choir.cymru/evensong)

Tuesday 15 Oct 7.30 pm

### St Nicholas' Church

Grosmont

### Revd Mary Moore

Licensing Service

The Revd Mary Moore is officially installed as a team vicar

[festival-choir.cymru/  
MaryMoore](http://festival-choir.cymru/MaryMoore)

Friday 1 Nov 7.00 pm

### St Teilo's Church

Llantilio Pertholey

### All Saints Service

The seventeen parishes come together to celebrate one of the major festivals of the year

[festival-choir.cymru/  
AllSaints](http://festival-choir.cymru/AllSaints)

Sunday 1 Dec (pm tbc)

### St Teilo's Church

Llantilio Pertholey

### Advent Carols

A service of Advent carols and readings on Advent Sunday

**Details coming  
soon**

Sunday 22 Dec 6.00 pm

### St Teilo's Church

Llantilio Pertholey

### Christmas Carols

Sing with the resident choir of St Teilo's at this traditional carol service

[festival-choir.cymru/  
StTeilo](http://festival-choir.cymru/StTeilo)

Sunday 12 Jan 4.00 pm

### St David's Church

Llanddewi Rhydderch

### Revd David Williams

Licensing Service

The Revd David Williams is officially installed as a team vicar

**Details coming  
soon**

# Community News.

## Llanvapley and District Gardening Club.

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September Alison Cooper will be presenting a fascinating talk entitled 'Botanical art and my favourite plants'.

Meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at Llanvapley Pavilion and start at 7.00pm but members of the Club also visit various local gardens on an ad hoc basis.

All are very welcome to come along.

Contact Marion Ashton at [marion.ashton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:marion.ashton@yahoo.co.uk) if you are interested in joining this group of horticultural enthusiasts!

## Llantilio Crossenny WI news and events

Although many of our members were away on holiday or entertaining countless visitors or busy on their farms or at work, we nevertheless got-together to enjoy ourselves on more than one occasion in August.

A perennial highlight of our WI calendar is the annual picnic at Park Farm, Llantilio Crossenny hosted by our wonderful Daphne. As always the weather was kind as we feasted ourselves on sandwiches, quiches, scones and cake. It was a wonderful afternoon of friendship and relaxation and we were especially thrilled to welcome two past members who have moved into town but wanted to meet old friends.

We also met informally at our bi-weekly Friday morning coffee mornings. This month we savoured the delights of the Red Castle tea room and the Raglan Castle café. A merry time was had by all.

Llantilio Crossenny WI meets at 7.00pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at Llanvapley Pavilion. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm where we are having an evening devoted to the topic of Dementia.

Marianne Piper, the Volunteer Co-ordinator for Monmouth, Usk and Raglan (based at The Bridges Centre in Monmouth) will be leading us through this session.

As always, everyone is very welcome to join us. We don't bite!

# September Days

By Helen L Smith

O month of fairer, rarer days  
Than Summer's best have been;  
When skies at noon are burnished  
blue,  
And winds at evening keen;  
When tangled, tardy blooming  
things  
From wild waste places peer,  
And drooping golden grain-heads  
tell  
That harvest time is near.

