

This Week: Today – Holy Eucharist at St David’s 9.30, St Rhydian & Illtyd’s 11.15, Celtic Morning Prayer at St Gwynour’s 11.15
Holy Communion at Bethel Chapel with Fr Tim 6 pm

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10.30. Monday Staff prayer SMC **1.30 pm**, Centering Prayer, St David’s **7 pm. Tues** Morning Prayer Llanrhidian **9 am**, Swn y Gan **10.30**, Fr Tim & Sheik Mohsen Penclawdd Sch **1.15 Weds** Ash *Weds Euch* Llanrhidian **10 am. Thurs** Trustees prayer SMC **9.30**; St David’s Coffee Morning, Crofty Inn **10.30**; Lent Service on the Marsh, outside St David’s **7 pm.**
Next Sunday Holy Eucharist at St David’s 9.30, St Gwynour’s 11.15, Morning Prayer at St Rhydian & Illtyd’s 11.15

SOME DIARY DATES

Mondays at St David’s – Centering Prayer 7 pm
Thursdays at St David’s Celtic Eucharist 7 pm
Thurs March 7, MAC Penmaen 6.30 pm
Tuesday March 12th – Lay Leaders Gathering & Celebration – All Saints, Oystermouth 7 pm
Saturday Mar 23, *Marsh Light*, All Age Church, Penclawdd Community Centre 11.30 am
Tuesday March 26th – Clergy Synod Llandrindod
Tuesday 16th April – Chrism Eucharist – 12-00 noon – Cathedral
Thursday April 25th – GB members meeting with Bishop. Venue tbc
Tuesday 16th July – Clergy Synod – Brecon

Father,
we hold before you
our family in the
Diocese of Swansea
and Brecon
and we open our hearts
and minds to your Spirit:
Bless us as we gather
in your name;
Guide us as we grow
into the likeness of your
Son;
Lead us by your Spirit
to go out and
make disciples of others.
God of our journeying,
be our way
and our truth and our life;
our beginning and our
end.
We pray through Jesus our
Lord. Amen.

*Diocesan prayer, SwanBrec

Fundraising Coffee Mornings

St David’s: Crofty Inn
Thurs March 7th 10.30 am
Llanrhidian: The Welcome
Saturday April 6th 10.30 am

Church for Everyone
4th Sats of every Month



SHARED LENT SERVICES IN NORTH GOWER

This year, Lent will begin as usual at Llanrhidian on Ash Wednesday at 10 am (March 6th) but then we’re going outside for our Celtic services on Thursday evenings (all meet at 7pm): March 7th Renewal of Baptism on the Marsh (park at St David’s); 14th Penclawdd – earth meets sea meets sky (meet car park opposite *Cariad*); 21st outside Llanmadoc Church; 28th Llanmadoc Bulwark (meet at cattle grid, Llangennith side); April 4th St Cadoc’s, Cheriton; 11th Llanellen (meet Llanrhidian Holiday Park, main car park). In Holy Week we will travel through the six churches, beginning at St Gwynour’s on Monday.

HOLY WEEK

Monday St Gwyno’s 7 pm
Tues St Madoc’s 7 pm
Weds St Cenydd’s 7 pm
Thurs St Rhyd’s & Illt 7 pm
Fri St David’s 2 pm
Sat St Madoc’s 7 pm
Easter Sun – Sunrise Cefn Bryn and then usual times

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Yr Eglwys yng Ngogledd Gŵyr

Do the things



You have
seen me do

Transfiguration/Dewi Sant 3rd March 2019
The Church in North Gower



DEWI TOLD HIS disciples to do the “little things”, Jesus told the Apostles they’d do “greater things”, but the sense is the same. Today we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus and the feast of our patron saint, ‘Dewi Dŵr’. But neither Jesus nor Dewi wanted their followers to simply admire them; far less were they interested in being worshiped by them. Both were spiritual masters and leaders of women and men whom they were training to carry on their work and expand on it, commissioning them to reach more and more people with the Gospel and teaching them to continue in their own spiritual practice. “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you?” retorts Jesus in today’s Gospel reading, on hearing that his followers had been unable to cast out demons, leaving him to do it yet again. “Where is your faith?” is another familiar question found on his lips when faced with his students’ fear or inability to respond to a given situation. Such are the marks of a spiritual master. Jesus could be very gentle with his disciples and the crowds who came to see him heal and teach, as no doubt Dewi could. A good teacher knows when to praise and when to sting.

As Peter said on the mountain, it is well to see Christ for real, Christ as Christ is. Spiritual practice reveals this. Dewi taught the practice to our ancestors, through cold water bathing, eating bread, drinking water, contemplative prayer in deserted places, in the wild, in nature. In our practice lies our power. But from here, we are called not to just stay in blissful peace but to go out in Christ’s name to heal, to teach, to bring the lost home.