

**This Week:** Today – Holy Eucharist at St David’s 9.30, St Gwynour’s 11.15, Morning Prayer at St Rhydian & Illtyd’s 11.15

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**10.30. Monday** Centering Prayer, St David’s 7 pm. **Tues** Morning Prayer Llanrhidian 9 am **Weds** Clergy Chapter, Pennard 11 am. **Thurs** Ministry and Mission, Bishops Officers - Brecon 10.30; MAC Penmaen 6.30; Celtic Eucharist, St David’s 7 pm. **Fri** St David’s Day (below). **Sat** St Madoc Centre AGM 8.30 am.

**Next Sunday** Holy Eucharist at St David’s 9.30, St Rhydian & Illtyd’s 11.15, Celtic Morning Prayer at St Gwynour’s 11.15

**SOME DIARY DATES**

**Mondays** at St David’s – Centering Prayer 7 pm

**Thursdays** at St David’s Celtic Eucharist 7 pm

**Sunday** 17<sup>th</sup> Feb – Induction Rev Canon Peter Brooks at St Teilo’s Bishopston 3 pm


**Thurs** March 7, MAC Penmaen 6.30 pm

**Tuesday** March 12<sup>th</sup> – Lay Ministry Gathering & Celebration – All Saints, Oystermouth 7 pm

**Saturday** Mar 23, *Marsh Light*, All Age Church, Penclawdd Community Centre 11.30 am

**Tuesday** March 26<sup>th</sup> – Clergy Synod Llandrindod

**Tuesday** 16<sup>th</sup> April – Chrism Eucharist – 12-00 noon – Cathedral

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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 7<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am

**Llanrhidian: The Welcome**

Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am

**Church for Everyone**  
4<sup>th</sup> Sats of every Month



**March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Sant**

**Gig on Gower**

St Madoc Centre

1<sup>st</sup> March 6.30 pm

Ricky and Harry

Tim Ardouin & Nigel Mason

Jemma Davies

Abbie Jebbers

Tickets £7.50adv or £10otn



**Women’s World Day of Prayer**

Pitton Chapel 2 pm;

Everyone welcome, church and chapel.

**Cymanfa Ganu**

Llangennith Church

3<sup>rd</sup> March, 3pm

Alun Tregelles Williams

Delyth Jenkins

Côr Meibion Clwb Rygbi

Llangennith

Cantorion Llanmadog

Grŵp Dysgu drwy Ganu

**Interfaith Celebration**

Temple of Light,

Ystradgynlaes, from 10.30.

Fr Tim music 11.30.

**Yr Eglwys yng Ngogledd Gŵyr**

Even the



Winds and  
the Water

**2 Before Lent**

**24<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

**The Church in North Gower**



teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children (Collect)

**‘WHO THEN IS THIS**, that he commands even the winds and the water? And they obey him!’ The frightened disciples awe-struck gibbering reaches us through the ages and connects our fear with their fear and the fear of all humankind. Fear of the elements has caused humankind to try to take control of nature but nature cannot be controlled, just as Christ cannot be contained within a single box-set of beliefs. Humankind’s mistake and Christianity’s mistake is to believe such things and so treat the earth and Christ as possessions that ‘civilization’ can and should administrate on behalf of ‘empire’, ‘global community’ etc. Such precept has led again and again to wars and now it threatens the very survival of the planet and everything on it.

All the efforts of pressure groups aimed at ‘saving the planet’, even the protests by Greta Thunberg and strikes by children across UK last week, will not halt the disaster we are heading for unless all humanity wakes up, and quickly.

Today and whenever we come to church, we celebrate and worship the Christ, God incarnate in human being through the historical reality of Jesus of Nazareth. Thank God that we do. But Christ has been incarnate in Creation from the beginning, when “The Word was with God and the Word was God, and all that is came into being through (him/her/it)” (John 1.1). Of course Christ can calm the waves and the wind; Christ is the waves and the wind! Creation is the Bible before Scripture was ever written. Millions of years before. How ironic that our Celtic ancestors, the American Indians, Australian, Asian and African aboriginals were ‘Christianized’ from their beautiful relationships with Christ in all that is! They knew Wisdom. They knew Christ. We must return...

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