

St Arvans Church mid-week Bulletin Wednesday 8th September 2021

Night Prayer: Tonight at 8pm – online only

Sunday Eucharist: Sunday 10am. Places must be booked.

St Arvans online

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Services at Holy Cross, Kilgwrrwg

Holy Eucharist Sunday 19th September at 11.30am.

A **Harvest Service** will be held on Sunday 10th October at 11.30am.

Bishop Cherry will be joining us for this special service – please put this date in your diary and come along to meet her.

Service at Devauden

Morning service will be on Sunday 19th September at 9am. There is no need to reserve your place in advance.

Devauden Recipe Collection

Many of you will have contributed recipes to this collection, which is being sold in aid of St James Church. Over 75 delicious recipes are included. Copies will very shortly be available, price £7.50 (or £10 if you would like to make an additional donation). To order your copy, please email: katherine.marland@mac.com

St Dieniol Lecture – Monday 4th October

A date for your diaries: on Monday 4th October Professor John Clarke will be delivering a lecture on Mysticism in Itton Village Hall. Places must be reserved - see the attached poster for details.

Prayer and Meditation

“My concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God’s side, for God is always right.”
Abraham Lincoln

Today is the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Genesis 3: 8-15

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.
I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

Psalm 45: 6-11, 17

Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.
Your royal sceptre is a sceptre of equity;
you love righteousness and hate wickedness.
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;
your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;
daughters of kings are among your ladies of honor;
at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear;
forget your people and your father’s house,
and the king will desire your beauty.
Since he is your lord, bow to him;
I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations;
therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.

A reading from the gospel of St Luke 11: 27-28

While he was saying this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him,
“Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!” But he said,
“Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it!”

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Music

In honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary, here is my mother's favourite hymn to her – Hail Queen of Heaven, the Ocean Star. Sung here by Regina Nathan.

[Hail Queen of Heaven - hymn sung by Regina Nathan - YouTube](#)

A hymn for next Sunday, the 14th after Trinity: My Spirit longs for Thee. It is sung by the Temple Church Choir. Temple Church dates back to 1162: the Round Church was built to be London's Jerusalem. In 1214–19 Magna Carta was negotiated in the Temple. The Church serves the legal colleges Inner and Middle Temple in the heart of the City of London.

[My Spirit Longs for Thee - YouTube](#)

On the lighter side

A quote from Napoleon Bonaparte:

“Religion is what keeps the poor from murdering the rich”
