# The Benefice of Lann Pydar

St Columb, St Enoder, St Ervan, St Eval and St Mawgan



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Epiphany** 



Helen, David and all of the Lann Pydar team would like to wish you all a Blessed Christmas time and a Happy New Year. May we demonstrate and grow in God's love together in 2024.

## Our Services for the week ahead

Monday 8th January

9:30am St Enoder Morning Prayer

Tuesday 9th January

9:00am St Mawgan Morning Prayer

Wednesday 10th January

9:30am St Enoder Communion

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January

9:00am St Mawgan Morning Prayer3:45pm Columba Centre Evening Prayer

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January

2:00pm St Columb Messy Church

Sunday 14th January

9:30am St Enoder Communion 11:00am St Columb Communion

## We remember all those who need our prayers...

## We pray for:

Our Diocesan and Deanery Ministry Teams: Bishop Hugh, Archdeacon Kelly, Archdeacon Nick and Revd. Helen Baber.

Our Worship Team: Helen (Rector); David (Curate); Lydia and Phil (Lay Readers); Andrew, Angela, Bryan, Mary and Pat (Assistant Priests); Denise, Kat, Jackie, Margaret, Mike and Ros (Worship Leaders).

Our Churchwardens and our link Diocese in Strängnäs with Bishop Hans-Erik Nordin.

Our Benefice: as we move forward, working together with our Deanery and across our Diocese.

Among those who need our prayers we remember: Irene.

We also remember those who are bereaved at this time, thinking of the family and friends of Donald Gold and Baby Sarkozi.

Years mind: Alan Quartly, Pauline Audry Bray and Tammy Marie Platow.



For inclusion of the names of anyone needing prayer or pastoral care please phone the Benefice Office on 01637 880252 or email <a href="mailto:admin@lannpydar.org.uk">admin@lannpydar.org.uk</a>. Please send any information for the Welcome from your parishes by 12:00noon on Wednesday.

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#### **Drop In surgery sessions**

There will be a drop-in surgery on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 10:00am at the M & S Café, Fraddon with Helen. Do pop in for a chat and a coffee.

#### Housegroups

The next evening housegroup will meet on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 7:00pm. The next morning housegroup will meet on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January at 10:15am. Each housegroup meets fortnightly.

#### Just Be

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 2:00pm in the Vyvyan Room at the Columba Centre. Come along when you can for tea, coffee and cake, bring a craft if you would like to, and just be.

## Messy Church – the three kings and special gifts

Messy Church is for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration! Our next Messy Church session in St Columb Church will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 2:00pm.

## **Prayer Group**

'Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.' Colossians 4:2

There will be an initial meeting on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 11:00am for anyone interested in being part of a prayer group in the Benefice of Lann Pydar. Come along and share your ideas. Venue: 29 Red Cove Close, St Eval, PL27 7GB. For more information contact Lorna on 07743 458380.

#### **Foodbank**

The Foodbank is running short of the following supplies: dog food, rice, and tinned: custard, fruit, potatoes, soup and tuna. Donations can be left in our Churches.

## **Next week's Readings**

1 Samuel 3:1-10, Psalm 139:1-9 Revelation 5:1-10, John 1:43-end



## **Safeguarding**

The Benefice of Lann Pydar takes the safeguarding of those who attend and visit our churches seriously. If you have any concerns or would like to talk to someone, please see our posters in all our churches for contact details, or contact Helen, the Rector.

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.

They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

#### **Psalm:** Psalm 72:10-15

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute; the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor that cry out, the needy and those who have no helper.

He shall have pity on the weak and poor; he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Long may he live;

unto him may be given gold from Sheba;

may prayer be made for him continually and may they bless him all the day long.

#### **New Testament Reading:** Ephesians 3:1-12

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

# Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the

exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

#### **Prayer Response**

Lord God:

we offer you ourselves.
and at the end...

Merciful Father, accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

#### Collect

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God,

the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen

We continue to make Morning Prayer available online on Facebook: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/lannpydarchurches">facebook.com/lannpydarchurches</a>.

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