The Benefice of Lann Pydar St Columb, St Enoder, St Ervan, St Eval and St Mawgan

Welcome

Sunday 28th January 2024 **Presentation of Christ in the temple** (Candlemas)

Our Services for the week ahead

Monday 29th January

9:30am St Enoder Morning Prayer

Tuesday 30th January

9:00am St Mawgan Morning Prayer

Wednesday 31st January

9:30am St Mawgan Communion

Thursday 1st February

9:00am St Mawgan Morning Prayer

Sunday 4th February

8:00am St Columb BCP Communion 9:30am St Enoder Morning Worship 11:00am St Mawgan Communion 6:00pm St Eval Evensong

We continue to make Morning Prayer available online on Facebook: facebook.com/lannpydarchurches
Our website is: https://www.lannpydar.org.uk
Churches in Lann Pydar YouTube channel:
youtube.com/channel/UChRCoUqZtaXalLTqB8x9gjw

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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, remembering the Benefice Committee who meets this week.

Among those who need our prayers we remember: Irene.

Years mind: Geoffrey (Sonnie) Dennis Hales and Philip Ronald Bicknell.

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

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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.

Drop In surgery sessions

There will be a Drop In surgery on Monday 29th January at 10:00am at the M & S Café, Fraddon with Helen. Do pop in for a chat and a coffee.

Julian Meeting

Tuesday 6th February at 7:00pm at the Rectory. Come and meet for meditation, contemplative prayer and silence with God.

Just Be

Thursday 8th February 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.

30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women

Everyone is welcome to join with Helen in attending the service of celebration and thanksgiving for the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women at Truro Cathedral on Thursday 8th February at 5:30pm.

Church of England External Safeguarding Audit

INEQE Safeguarding Group (ISG) have been commissioned to conduct Independent Safeguarding Audits of the Church of England to ensure dioceses are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. As part of this, ISG hope that parishioners and members of the parish community will complete an anonymous and confidential online survey, which can be found at: https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/truro/ The survey will close at 11:30pm on Thursday 8th February.

Benefice Prayer Group

Everyone is welcome to come along to the next gathering for community prayer at 11:00am on Saturday 10th February at 29 Red Cove Close, St Eval, PL27 7GB.

Messy Church – Shine a Light

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 10th February at 2:00pm.

Lent Course: Being Part of the Passion

All are welcome to come along to the Lent Course, which will begin on 14th February 2024 at 7:00pm at the Ash Wednesday Communion at St Columb church. After that sessions will be at the Rectory on Thursdays (22nd February, 29th February, 7th March, 14th March and 21st March). Daytime sessions will be from 11:00am to 12:00noon, with coffee at 10:30am. Evening Sessions will be from 7:30pm to 8:30pm, with a light supper at 6:30pm. For further details email rector@lannpydar.org.uk

Foodbank

The Foodbank is running short of supplies. Donations can be left in our Churches.

Next week's Readings

Proverbs 8.1, 22–31, Psalm 104.26–end Colossians 1.15–20, John 1.1–14



Old Testament Reading: Malachi 3:1-5

Thus says the Lord God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

Psalm: Psalm 24:7-end

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

'Who is the King of glory?' 'The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord who is mighty in battle.'

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

'Who is this King of glory?' 'The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.'

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 2:14-end

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (As it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;

for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Prayer Response

Holy God:

may your will be done.

and at the end...

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

Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us, and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**