

# For your information...

1 July 2018

## Coffee Clean-up Rota

Many thanks to today's teams -

- June Smith's Group @ 11am
- Students @ 6pm

Next week

- Jean Morgan's Group @ 11am
- Hannah and Raksu's Group @ 6pm

## Mones says...

The words promise, vow, pledge, obligation, loyalty, devotion, dedication and commitment are all a variation of the same concept, the giving of oneself to a cause that requires something back from us, energy, finance, time, affection and so on.

At one time, the church's definition of habitual attendance of worship for the purpose of membership and the electoral roll, was 3 Sundays in 4, however, in many churches today this is considered a high demand, so some churches are defining habitual worship as 1 in 4 Sundays!

I am becoming increasingly puzzled and concerned at the state of British and western Christianity. It seems to have reached a place where its passion and heart is seeping out of it at an alarming pace. It seems that the commitments of even those who once were so passionate and on fire have reduced and in some instances it looks as though the fire has almost gone out altogether.

We live in an age that requires no commitment, in an age where investment of self is only required and seen in the few and often in those who are seeking frantically to climb to the top. Now there is nothing wrong at all in desiring to climb to the top, it is something to be applauded and encouraged as long as in doing so we do not fall into behavioural patterns that undermine or hurt others. Nonetheless the few who spend their whole energy trying to reach the top highlight the fact that the vast majority are just cruising in life, finding the least resistance path and settling for way less than what they should be involved in and achieve.

No one has ever achieved greatness without whole hearted commitment and passion, no one has done anything of lasting value without loyalty and devotion to the task at hand.

God calls for a whole hearted commitment and for the sake of the call of God on our lives and for His sake we need to be settled in heart and mind about giving, living and displaying this commitment to Him.

The view of secular society of Him is dependent on what they observe of our commitment towards His values, living His requirements in our daily lives and the level of our passion of our service and connection to Him.

Commit for the sake of God, and commit for the sake of the Kingdom.

We are holding **daily prayer meetings** from 8am- 8.50am Monday to Saturday at The Well (11 Baker Street. The Wednesday Prayer Meeting will continue to take place at St Mike's at 7.45am with breakfast as normal (no prayer meeting at The Well on Wednesdays).

We have a church **Pastoral Team**, if you need or would like a visit from someone in church please do contact the office. The team is a lovely bunch made up of our congregation members.

**Testimony board:** We have a notice board at the back of church for people to share what God has been doing in their lives. Write a testimony on a piece of paper provided and pin it to the board as a way of telling people the praise worthy deeds of our God!

**Children's and youth activities:** On Sunday mornings our church has activities for young people aged between 2 and 14. There is also a creche available for under 2's in the tower room & baby changing facilities in the toilets. Please ask if you're not sure where these are.

**Internship opportunity** with church, learning more about how church works, and an opportunity to grow in discipleship and in understanding of God - speak to Mones for more info.

Congratulations to **Rev Lindy Morgan** who was ordained yesterday. She will be serving her curacy in the Rectorial Benefice of Aberystwyth with special responsibility for St Mike's.

**Pobl Dewi:** The latest edition of Pobl Dewi (the Diocesan Newspaper) is available from the back of church.

**Alun Evans**, one of our previous students, will be licensed as Curate for Bro Padarn Ministry area on 5th July in St Padarn's Church, Llanbadarn at 6.30pm.

The next **Mature Munch** will be on 5th July at 12.30pm. Join us for tasty food and good company, only £3.

**Choral Fantasy** an evening of choir pieces and musical items on July 14th at 7pm in church. Donations towards the trip to Israel welcome. To find out more speak to Delyth.

**Cleaning Party:** Spring has turned to Summer and the church needs a spring clean. The corners and crevices and high places could do with some extra tender loving care and so we're going to have a cleaning party on 21st July. Please register your interest, men and women as there's lots to do and the more we are in number the lighter the work will be and the more fun will be had. We'll meet at 10am and lunch will be provided so you can stay all day if you wish! if you can be there please tell either Hannah in the office, or Lindy.

**Baptisms:** we will be having a Baptism service on 22nd July. If you would like to be baptised please speak to Mones.

**Aber Jabber:** 6 people wanted to deliver the Aber Jabber Newspaper during the last week of July. £100 each. Please speak to the office if interested.

**Beach Mission:** Team dates 4-12 August. Events start 6.8.18. If you are interested in being on the team, speak to Hannah Bunting.

**Israel Trip:** For those who are interested in coming to Israel October 27th -November 4th, could you please confirm by today? Thanks. Delyth.

Next week...

## Sunday 8 July

**11am:** **Morning Worship** with the theme 'For the sake of me'.

**6pm:** **Holy Communion** with J-D Laurence speaking on Mark 5:21-43.

## Dates for your diary:

### July

**5.7.18:** Mature Munch.

**6.7.18:** Spree Wales.

**8.7.18:** All Age Service.

**14.7.18:** Choir Fantasy Concert at 7pm

**19.7.18:** Mature Munch

### August

**5.8.18:** Choir Evangelistic and Musical items at the Bandstand.

**6.8.18:** Beach Mission.

'Loved by Jesus: Sharing His Love'