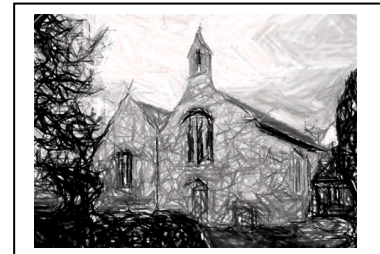




Ardal Cenhadaeth Elwy Mission Area



An induction loop is provided.

Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

2nd August 2026 – Trinity 9

Today's Services:

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

Mass: Mass of St Thomas,
David Thorne

Psalm: 145. 14-21

Hymns: 64; 271; 368

Preacher: The Rev'd Elin
Douglas-Jones

3.30pm Evening Prayer

Welcome to St Asaph Cathedral, which is one of the churches of the Elwy Mission Area. We are communities that seek to enfold all people in the love of God. If you wish to speak to a priest after the service, if you wish to find a corner to pray, if you wish simply to find some peace, please feel free and welcome to do so. We warmly invite all those who are baptised (Christened) to receive Holy Communion with us today. (Children at the discretion of parents). Before the service: spend some time in quiet prayer, preparing to meet the Lord in this act of worship.

Entrance Hymn:

Be thou my guardian and my
guide, And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps
slide, And hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan
dwell, Around the path I tread;
O, save me from the snares of
hell, Thou quickener of the
dead.

And if I tempted am to sin, And
outward things are strong,
Do thou, O Lord, keep watch
within, And save my soul from
wrong.

Still let me ever watch and
pray, And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my
way, Yet he may not prevail.

Isaac Williams 1802-65

Collect

Almighty God, who sent your
Holy Spirit to be the life and light
of your Church: open our hearts
to the riches of your grace, that
we may bring forth the fruit of the
Spirit in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord, who is alive and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.

Isaiah 55.1-5

A reading from the Book of Isaiah

1 Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;

and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

2 Why do you spend your money
for that which is not bread,
and your labour for that which
does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat
what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich
food.

3 Incline your ear, and come to
me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an
everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

4 See, I made him a witness to the
peoples,
a leader and commander for the
peoples.

5 See, you shall call nations that
you do not know,
and nations that do not know you
shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145. 14-21

***R: Every day will I bless you
and praise your name forever.***

The Lord is sure in all his words
and faithful in all his deeds.
The Lord upholds all those who
fall and lifts up all those who are
bowed down. **R:**

The eyes of all wait upon you, O
Lord, and you give them their
food in due season.
You open wide your hand
and fill all things living with
plenty. **R:**

The Lord is righteous in all his
ways and loving in all his works.
The Lord is near to those who call
upon him, to all who call upon
him faithfully. **R:**

He fulfils the desire of those who
fear him; he hears their cry and
saves them. The Lord watches
over those who love him, but all
the wicked shall he destroy. **R:**

Romans 9.1-5

1 I am speaking the truth in
Christ—I am not lying; my
conscience confirms it by the
Holy Spirit— 2 I have great
sorrow and unceasing anguish in
my heart. 3 For I could wish that I
myself were accursed and cut off
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**A reading from Paul's Letter to
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Matthew 14.13-21

Listen to the Gospel of Christ
according to Saint Matthew.

13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. 14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. 15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' 16 Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' 17 They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' 18

And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

Hymn

Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
his the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia, his the triumph,
his the victory alone:
hark, the songs of peaceful Sion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia, he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight
received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, bread of angels,
thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia, here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy
throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High
Priest;
thou on earth both Priest and
Victim
in the eucharistic feast.
W. Chatterton Dix 1837-98

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord, Jesus Christ,
may our hearts be open to your
love
our doors to friend and stranger,
our table to all whom you call to
your supper,
and our lives to your risen life;
who are alive and reign, now and
for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Hymn

Guide me, O thou great
Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth
flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,

be thou still my strength and
shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's
destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises
I will ever give to thee.

*Welsh, William Williams 1717-91
Tr Peter Williams 1727-96 and
others*

Post Communion

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the
table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole
household of God:
in that new world where you
reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and
language
to share in the eternal banquet of
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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Notices

Refreshments. Please do join us
for refreshments after the service if
you can.

Safeguarding. Children, young
people and vulnerable adults are
an important part of the
community of the Church in

Wales and St Asaph Cathedral. They are respected and cherished for their own sake. The Cathedral is committed to take seriously its responsibilities to protect children, young children and vulnerable adults and safeguard their welfare. The Cathedral adopts the Church in Wales Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy and upholds its Code of Good Practice.

For more information, visit:
www.churchinwales.org.uk/safeguarding

Praying for Growth. Please pray for the growth and renewal of the Church here in this place. Here is the Leading Your Church into Growth Prayer:

*God of Mission,
Who alone brings growth to your
Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in
numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local
community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

The Community Fridge takes place every Sunday from 4-5pm at the Parish Church.

Sunday Sheet. Please take this sheet home with you for the notices for the week and to pray for what is happening in the life of our Church.

St Mary's Cefn. The next services at St Mary's are as follows:
16th August at 9.30am
30th August at 9.30am

Afternoon Teas take place at the Parish Church at 2pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. The next dates are:
Thursday 6th August
Thursday 21st August
All welcome!

Organ Recitals. Our next organ recitals are taking place on Wednesday 5th August and Wednesday 2nd September.

Sabbatical. Fr Rex is now on Sabbatical and will return to duty at the beginning of September.

Ways of Giving to the work of the Cathedral. We are very grateful to all those who contribute financially to the life and witness of our Cathedral Church. There are various ways to do this:

1. The Collection plate near the entrance to the Cathedral
2. Setting up a Standing Order. Contact Jackie Feak for the bank details

3. Gift Direct. Set up regular giving or make a one off donation.

For Gift Direct you can use the QR code below. Thank you very much.



The Week Ahead

3rd Monday - Germanus, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holy Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

4th Tuesday - Feria

9am Morning Prayer
5pm Evening Prayer
6pm Holy Eucharist

5th Wednesday - Oswald, King & Martyr

9am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Eucharist
5pm Evening Prayer

6th Thursday - Transfiguration of Our Lord

9am Morning Prayer
10am Holy Eucharist *at the Parish Church*
10.45am Prayer Group *at the Parish Church*
2pm Afternoon Tea *at the Parish Church*
5pm Evening Prayer

7th Friday - Feria

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Offeren
5pm Evening Prayer

8th Saturday - Dominic, Priest

9am Morning Prayer
5pm Evening Prayer

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