

Conwy & Prestatyn Circuit Dec 2023 - Feb 2024		December					January				February			
		3rd	10th	17th	24th	31st	7th	14th	21st	28th	4th	11th	18th	25th
		1st Advent	2nd Advent	3rd Advent	4th Advent	1st Christmas	1st Ordinary	2nd Ordinary	3rd Ordinary	4th Ordinary	5th Ordinary	Sunday before Lent	1st Lent	2nd Lent
CONWY St John's Rosehill Street LL32 8LD	10.30am 4.00pm	LA A	D Ray HC	LA MC N 6.30pm CC E Reddington	J Park M	D Creed	C Gray Cov HC	D Martin	D Hall	J Park 4pm <i>Messy Church</i>	D Creed A	V Gray	P Berry HC	R Adams 4pm <i>Messy Church</i>
LLANDUDNO St John's Mostyn Street LL30 2NN	11.00am 4.00pm	J Park HC	R Adams	J Park J Park CC	B Ramsden	E Reddington	J Park HC Cov	D Ray	A Taylor	P Berry	J Park HC	C Gray	E Reddington	D Lamb
Thursday Healing	1.45pm	D Ray	C Gray	D Creed	F Williams	D Ray	D Creed	F Williams	L Brown	D Creed	C Gray	D Ray	F Williams	D Creed
CRAIG-Y-DON St David's Mostyn Avenue LL30 1YY	9.00am 10.00am 6.00pm		J Park HC	P Berry N 4pm <i>Messy Church</i>	D Lamb	J Park	R Adams	J Park Cov HC	D Lamb HC D Lamb 100 4pm <i>Messy Church</i>	E Reddington	F Williams	D Lamb HC	B Bircumshaw 100 4pm <i>Messy Church</i>	J Park
OLD COLWYN Wynn Avenue LL29 9RF	11.00am	D Creed A	A Taylor	L Brown CS	LA	D Martin	E Reddington A	D Hall	J Park HC Cov	L Brown	R Adams A	P Berry	LA	RH Jones
LLANDDULAS Minffordd Road LL22 8EW	10.00am	L Brown	V Gray	LA	D Martin	D Ray	F Williams	HC Cov L Brown / D Woodward	P Berry	D Creed	D Hall	J Park	L Brown	E Reddington HC
ABERGELE St Paul's Bridge Street LL22 7HA	10.30am	RH Jones	LA	M Weatherby HC	L Brown F A	P Berry	D Creed	E Reddington	Cov HC L Brown / D Woodward	D Ray	A Taylor	D Martin	M Weatherby HC	L Brown
PRESTATYN Trinity Pendre Avenue LL19 9SH	10.45am	E Reddington HC	L Brown	3pm L Brown TS CS	F Williams	M Weatherby	Cov HC L Brown / D Woodward	LA	RH Jones	D Martin	L Brown	LA	D Hall	D Ray HC

A All-age Worship **CC** Carols by Candlelight **Cov** Covenant Service **CS** Carol Service **Ctgl** Christingle **F** Family Service **HC** Holy Communion **LA** Local Arrangement **M** Meditation **MC** Messy Church **N** Nativity Service **100** Part of the St David's Centenary Celebrations

A Circuit Preacher unable to fulfil an appointment is expected to find a fully accredited substitute and to inform the Superintendent Minister



From Deacon Linda Brown

Dear Friends

I recall some time ago a woman telling me 'I love to go to church at Christmas - I love the lights and the colour and the happiness it brings. It always seems such a lovely, special time'.

So I responded, she would be very welcome to come the rest of the year as well, and she said 'Oh no, I can't be bothered with all of that! And as for Easter, it's too ghastly for words'.

For her, Christmas was a welcome, and perhaps rather sentimental, bit of escapism. As for Easter, with its message of Jesus dying for our sakes, put to death by evil but very human people, and rising again that we might share His risen life, that was too harsh, too brutal, and she didn't want to think about it.

Christmas is for many just a welcome break from the realities of existence in the middle of winter, a blaze of colour and happiness in the midst of the darkness. That is without doubt great fun. But that is hardly 'GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY TO ALL PEOPLE'. That Good News is only fulfilled at Easter - it is Good News because with the coming of Jesus, God is addressing the world exactly as it is, with all its pain, hurt, bloodshed, inequality and squalor and sending his solution to the problems of the entire world throughout all ages - a Saviour who is fully human, who will take the very worst that the world can give and rise triumphant, and invite us to know Him and to share in his risen life, now and forever.

To those we know of who are troubled and who turn to Him, He can bring forgiveness and peace. To the sick and dying He can bring the assurance of His eternal presence and the promise of eternal life. To those whose eyes are fixed firmly on the things of the world He can bring a concern and compassion for those who do not have enough.

This coming Christmas He invites us to share in his work of love and transformation. The transformation of people's lives, hopes and experiences through our service for Him in the world - the world as it is and through the Holy Spirit gives us the strength to serve Him.

May God richly bless you this Christmas, and enable you and I to live in His strength and for His sake in 2024.

Blessings

Deacon Linda

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Hymnbooks used:

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MARCH - MAY 2024 PLAN PREACHING DATES

Please submit all requests/availability online via the circuit website <https://www.conwypreststynmc.org.uk/> by **Wednesday 3rd January 2024** (Contact Hayley should you need support with this)



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Pre-Christmas Events

Date	Church	Event
Saturday 2 December	Trinity Prestatyn	4pm L Brown Christingle
Saturday 9 December	Old Colwyn	10am-2pm Family Day activities - Christmas craft, songs, activities & story
Sunday 17 December	Trinity Prestatyn	3pm L Brown Carols / Toy gift service
Saturday 23 December	Old Colwyn	4pm L Brown Christingle

Circuit Christmas Services

Church	Christmas Eve	Christmas Day
Conwy	5pm Carols in the Square from Beulah Brass, church open 6pm	10am Norman Pedley, Family Service
Llandudno		11am J Park All-age Party Praise
Craig-y-Don	11.30pm J Park HC	10am D Lamb Family Service 1pm Lunch
Old Colwyn		10am L Brown All-age Section Service (incl Abergele, Prestatyn & Llanddulas)

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Circuit Prayer Gatherings

Saturday 2 December	9.30am	St John's Conwy
Friday 5 January	9.30am	St John's Llandudno
Saturday 3 February	9.30am	Trinity Prestatyn

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29 November 7.30pm Local Preachers & Worship Leaders Meeting at St John's Conwy

Wednesday 6 December 7.30pm Circuit Meeting via Zoom

Lectionary Readings (Year B)

3 December Isa 64:1-9	1 Cor 1:3-9	<i>1st Advent</i> Mark 13:24-37
10 December Isa 40:1-11	2 Pet 3:8-15a	<i>2nd Advent</i> Mark 1:1-8
17 December Isa 61:1-4,8-11	1 Thess 5:16-24	<i>3rd Advent</i> John 1:6-8,19-28
24 December 2 Sam 7:1-11,16	Rom 16:25-27	<i>4th Advent</i> Luke 1:26-38
31 December Isa 61:10-62:3	Gal 4:4-7	<i>1st Christmas</i> Luke 2:22-40
7 January Gen 1:1-5	Acts 19:1-7	<i>1st Ordinary</i> Mark 1:4-11
14 January 1 Sam 3:1-10(11-20)	1 Cor 6:12-20	<i>2nd Ordinary</i> John 1:43-51
21 January Jonah 3:1-5,10	1 Cor 7:29-31	<i>3rd Ordinary</i> Mark 1:14-20
28 January Deut 18:15-20	1 Cor 8:1-13	<i>4th Ordinary</i> Mark 1:21-28
4 February Isa 40:21-31	1 Cor 9:16-23	<i>5th Ordinary</i> Mark 1:29-39
11 February 2 Kings 2:1-12	2 Cor 4:3-6	<i>Sunday before Lent</i> Mark 9:2-9
18 February Gen 9:8-17	1 Pet 3:18-22	<i>1st Lent</i> Mark 1:9-15
25 February Gen 17:1-7,15-16	Rom 4:13-25	<i>2nd Lent</i> Mark 8:31-38

With the environment in mind, please can you let us know whether you would prefer an electronic copy of this plan? Please email the Circuit Office at **cpmcoffice2@gmail.com**

Please remember that there is also a copy of this available on our circuit website: **www.conwyprestatynmc.org.uk**