



THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S CHURCH, CARDIFF

(Registered Charity 1066605)

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NEWSLETTER

October 2017

Dear Friend,

PARISH OUTING

The outing took place on Saturday 2nd September, and was all quite local to Cardiff. In the morning the party went to the museum at St Fagans, first visiting the reconstructed St Teilo's church there, rich with pre-reformation style wall paintings, where they held a short act of worship. The rest of the morning was then free to see the museum and have lunch. In the afternoon they moved to nearby St. George's, where there was Evensong. After this it was a short journey to Drope, to the house of our curate Rhian, where there was tea in the garden, amid the beautiful countryside of the Vale of Glamorgan. It was an enjoyable and inspiring day. Our thanks go to Pauline Grainger for organising it, and for Rhian for the use of the garden.

Unfortunately, Rhian herself was not well, and the following day went into hospital with a serious infection. She is home now, but still recovering. We wish her well.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Friends took place in the church on Sunday 15th October. It was held after the morning service. It was well attended, but the day was shorter than usual, with no guest speaker and no lunch afterwards. At the AGM, the Annual Report and Accounts were presented, and retiring members of the committee were re-elected. We are pleased to welcome two new members to the committee. Mr. Paul Davies, who has been a member for many years, having offered to take the position, was elected as Hon. Treasurer, replacing Mr. Grenville Samuel who retired last year for health reasons. Mrs Janet Williams, a more recent member, was elected as an ordinary member of the committee. We are most grateful to these people for volunteering themselves to help in the running of our organisation. Thanks were given to all the officers and the work that they did and especially to the Hon. Secretary who has been doubling as treasurer for the past year.

HON. TREASURER.

We are pleased to welcome two new members to the committee. As noted above, Mr. Paul Davies, a member of the Friends for many years, has offered to take over the post of Hon. Treasurer which has been vacant for the last year since the sudden resignation of Mr. Gren Samuel for health reasons. Thanks to Mr. Samuel for what he has done, and to Mr. Davies for taking over. Mr. Davies was appointed at the Annual General Meeting, which also elected Mrs. Janet Williams, a regular worshipper at St John's, to be an ordinary member of the committee.

BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS.

The Vestry Block project continues, at this stage the formulation of design and requirements, in consultation with the architect, Amanda Needham. As a preliminary work, a full survey of the church building has been undertaken, using the latest laser technology, and has produced detailed plans of the whole building. A survey has also been done of the exterior of the tower, which shows that surface repair is needed in some places as a result of weathering. The painting of the railings around the churchyard is now under way as weather permits, with the railings taking on several interesting different colours as different coats are applied. When the work is completed they will be back to black with gold, as they were.

AUTUMN LUNCHEON

The Autumn Luncheon of the Friends will be on Sunday 19th November 2017 at the Cornerstone in Charles Street, Cardiff city centre. Last year the Friends filled the New House Hotel to capacity, so a larger venue was thought advisable. The Cornerstone is the former Ebenezer Chapel building, located just across the road from St David's Catholic Cathedral, who acquired it recently to further their ministry. It has undergone extensive renovation and provides a first class venue for events of various sorts. Meet at 12.30 for welcome drink, and eat at 1.00pm. If you would like to attend, please return the slip at the bottom of this letter to Miss P Grainger, 12 Chapel St., Llandaff, Cardiff, CF5 2EA, or to be quicker, phone her on 029 2056 8907, or add your name to the list in the church. The cost will be £25 for 2 courses plus coffee. Please book your place as soon as possible, and no later than 5th November.

Richard Hall, (Hon. Secretary)

Friends of St John's Church Autumn Luncheon, 19th November 2017

Name(s)

Please indicate choice

Main Course: Roast Beef / Roast Pork / Vegetarian

Dessert: Pear and almond tart with custard / Fruit of the forest cheesecake

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