THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S CHURCH, CARDIFF

(Registered Charity 1066605)



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<u>NEWSLETTER</u>

October 2019

Dear Friend,

The Annual General Meeting took place in the church after morning service on Sunday 22nd September. The President took the chair, and the meeting stood in memory of four members who have died in the past year, Revd. Malcolm Ellis, Dorothy Wilkins, Audrey Williams, Marjorie Cox. The Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary gave their reports. There was no change to the Executive Committee, but Mr Evan Chapman, presently churchwarden, agreed to fill the long vacant post of vice-chairman. Our President, Sir Norman Lloyd Edwards, was pleased to continue in office.

NEW HEATING BOILER.

Our new heating boiler was installed during the summer, but when we came to switch it on at the beginning of the month, it failed to work. It seems some fault has developed over the summer that is causing it to cut out. At the time of writing the trouble is being investigated urgently, in the hope that it can start operating within the next week or so. The Friends supported the installation with a grant towards the cost.

TOWER REPAIR.

The major work to the tower is continuing, and is presently on schedule to be completed by the end of November. The tower is structurally sound but a lot of work is needed to stabilise the surface of the stonework and to protect it against the weather and pollution. On close inspection from the scaffolding, some parts were found to be in better condition than feared, but in some places stone has needed to be replaced. We are hopeful that no unexpected major problems will be found, but even so, it is quite expensive work.

AUTUMN LUNCHEON

The Autumn Luncheon of the Friends will be on Sunday 17th November 2019 at the New House Hotel, Thornhill, just outside Cardiff, at 12.30 for 1.00pm. If you would like to attend, please return the slip at the bottom of the enclosed menu, indicating your choices, or add your name to the list in the church. The cost will be £22 for 2 courses or £27.50 for 3 courses. Places are limited, so please reply promptly. If you would like a lift organised for you, please tick on the form.

Richard Hall, (Hon.Sec.)