

**The Masonic Order of Athelstan
In England and Wales and its Provinces Overseas.**



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Dear Brethren

With the Festive Season upon us, my wife Natasha, son Charlie and I would like to extend our very best wishes to you and those close to you for a peaceful and happy Christmas.

As a Province, we have had a busy time in the preceding twelve months with two new Courts being Consecrated, namely the Court of Idwal Foel in March at Llangollen, and the John Benjamin Lloyd Court in July at Abergavenny, with several new members enjoying the delights of Athelstan Masonry. In September I was given the honour and privilege of being Installed by the MW Grand Master as your Provincial Grand Master, following in the footsteps of RW Bro Shaun Crutchley who led and served our Province with such dignity and pride for 9 years. He also followed another wonderful mason namely RW Bro Dr John Benjamin Lloyd who now has a Court named in his memory. The legacy of my two predecessors is forefront in my mind and it is my intention to build upon the wonderful Province they created.

Personally, I have so enjoyed my visits to your Courts since becoming your Provincial Grand Master at the end of September, and have been warmly welcomed by you all, and your kindness and empathy has been magnificent. My sincere thanks also to my Provincial Officers past and present who have supported these visits and continue to show such dedication and commitment.

Sadly, we have lost loved ones over the last year, and this is always a difficult time of year for those relatives and friends to cope with, but all we can do is offer our love and support and celebrate those well-spent lives.

I do hope that 2023 proves to be even better than 2022, with the vaccination regime in place, more of us are growing in confidence and conducting our lives as before which is encouraging. I hope to see many of you attending your own Courts and if possible, your neighbouring Courts in support.

Natasha and I will be holding a Gala Evening on Saturday 15th April 2023 at the Miskin Manor Hotel, so please make a note of this date as your support and attendance would be gratefully appreciated.

The event is open to non-masons so please come along with friends and family to enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship with live music from an up-and-coming talented singer and performer Millie Davies from Cardiff. More information will follow in due course from my organising committee who are working tirelessly to put on a most wonderful evening for us all to enjoy in each other's company.

Once again, I look forward to seeing many of you at our meetings in the coming year, until then, Natasha, Charlie and I would like to wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

God bless you all.

John
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