

WELCOME | CROESO@

The Parish of Treharris Trelewis Bedlinog & Llanfagon

On behalf the Church that meets here, may we take this opportunity to offer you a very warm welcome. If you're visiting or joining us for the first time, then it's really good to see you. Refreshments are usually available after the service, please do join us, and ask someone for directions. If you need any assistance, please do ask to speak to one of the wardens.

Father Gareth Coombes - Parish Priest Dr. Fiona Parsons - Parish Reader

TODAY

Services

9:00am	Holy Eucharist at St. John's, Nelson
10.30am	Holy Eucharist at St. Matthias, Treharris
4:30pm	Holy Eucharist at St. Mabon's, Llanfagon

The Collect

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

The Readings

Exodus 2. 1-10; Colossians 3. 12-17; John 19. 24-27

The Psalm | Psalm 34. 11-20

R/. O taste and see, O taste and see that the Lord is gracious.

The Gospel Acclamation

**Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

WEEK AHEAD

Monday 1st April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

Tuesday 2nd April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

6:30pm Treharris Mothers' Union at St. Matthias Church Hall
7:00pm Diocesan Lenten Talk at Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach

Wednesday 3rd April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

11:00am Holy Eucharist at St. Matthias', Treharris
11:30am Lenten Lunch at St. Matthias' Church Hall

Thursday 4th April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

10:30am Holy Eucharist at St. John's, Nelson
11:00am Lenten lunch at St. John's Church Hall
11:30am Community Food Co-op at St. John's Church Hall

Friday 5th April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

11:15am Funeral: Madora Jenkins +RIP at Chapel of Rest, Trelewis

Saturday 6th April 2019 (Purple)

Lenten feria

St. Mabon's, Llanfabon is open daily for prayer, reflection & contemplation

NEXT SUNDAY

Services for Sunday the 7th April 2019 (Purple)
+ The Fifth Sunday of Lent | Passion Sunday

9:00am Holy Eucharist at St. John's Church | Nelson

10.30am Holy Eucharist at St. Matthias | Treharris

4:30pm Holy Communion at St. Mabon's | Llanfabon

The Readings

Isaiah 43. 16-21; Philippians 3. 4b-14; John 12. 1-8

Psalms 126

NOTICES

WELCOME & THANK YOU to Father Thomas Vale who kindly joins us this morning at both St. John's and St. Matthias'. Thank you Father for being with us today and leading our morning services around the parish.

2019 LENTEN TALKS + June and the Archdeacons will deliver a series of talks exploring the 'Diocesan Vision' at 7:00pm on Tuesday evenings through Lent at Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach; Bishop June is looking forward to seeing you there and we are all encouraged to attend. #wherfaithmatters #tellingajoyfulstory #growingthekingdomofgod #buildingourcapacityforgood

PARISH LENTEN LUNCHESES as part of our Lenten journey, why not join us after the midweek services this week for a soup lunch; donations to support the parish link with Compassion and the Child Survival Programme in Haiti.

GIVE A CHILD AN EGGSELLENT EASTER by bringing a chocolate egg to church before the 14th of April. Eggs will be given to the Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Charity and Latch, the Welsh Children's Cancer Charity.

IS GOD CALLING YOU to be a churchwarden; to read or lead the prayers in church; to administer the chalice or visit the sick and housebound; to represent the parish on the deanery or diocesan conference?

THE REAL EASTER EGGS are available to order in each of the churches. They help celebrate the real meaning of Easter with a story-activity book included with every egg. They are FairTrade and reasonably priced at £4.

MERTHYR-CYNON FOOD BANK SHOPPING LIST Tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, tinned carrots, tinned soup, jam, long-life fruit juice, instant coffee, long-life milk and squash. Thank you for your continued support, that supports people in crisis.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY | RECONCILERS

In many families there is often someone who is the reconciler; keeping their counsel about matters that divide and separate. Motherhood often encourages others to realise that life is too short for many of the petty quarrels that take place. Reconciling people to God and with each other costs the same sacrificial love, shown to us in the cross of Jesus. Today, on this Mothering Sunday, let us give thanks to God for motherhood; for those special individuals who have shown us sacrificial love, and seek to be reconcilers like them and like Jesus - whatever the cost:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT

SUPPORTING THE MISSION OF THE PARISH is easier with Gift Direct; why not pick up a leaflet in church which tells you everything you need to know; alternatively have an informal chat with one of the wardens.

When gifting by cheque, the bank requires all cheques to be made payable to:

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FROM THE PARISH DIARY

2nd April: Diocesan Lent Talk iii at Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach

9th April: Diocesan Lent Talk iv at Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach

10th April: Parish Annual Vestry Meeting; 7:00pm, St. Matthias' Church

Holy Week & The Triduum 2019

14th April: + Palm Sunday

15th April: Holy Week Film: The Way at St. Matthias', Treharris

18th April: + Maundy Thursday

18th April: Diocesan Chism Eucharist, Llandaff Cathedral

19th April: + Good Friday

20th April: + Holy Saturday

21st April: + The Resurrection of the Lord

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