

## News and Events

### Worship across the Ministry Area

In order to make worship sustainable across the Ministry Area, the ministry team made the decision at the beginning of 2024 that each district would have one Sunday of non-eucharistic each month. This means that there is capacity within the ministry team to cover absences without so much reliance on retired clergy, but also to sustain themselves in ministry and observe best practice from each other on occasions. This also means that non-eucharistic worship is not a backup in case of no clergy available, but rather an important and valued part of our worshipping life together. If you have any questions, please do speak to one of the ministry team. **Fr Stuart.**



### Baptism Workshop

Fr. Darren will be holding a workshop/info evening for those interested in baptism on 21st March at 6.00pm. The workshop will be held at St Gwladys church hall, Bargoed. **All are welcome!**

### MINISTRY AREA COUNCIL

The next Ministry Area Council meeting takes place on Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 7.00pm in St. Tyfaelog's Church Hall, Pontllytyn.

### BRINGING FAITH TO YOUR INBOX

Sign up to Llandaff Matters and receive inspirational stories of faith in action from across the diocese. Use the following link:  
<https://llandaff.churchinwales.org.uk/>  
then sign up to the mailing list, found half way down the page.

### Ministry Area Pew Sheet 2024

In 2024 we would like to involve as many people in our Ministry Area to contribute towards sharing information about services, events, even their thoughts and reflections or any relevant news. If you would like to contribute any news items or events please etc, can you forward me the information to: email: [chriscorbin1961@gmail.com](mailto:chriscorbin1961@gmail.com), by the third week of the month for inclusion in the following months edition. Many Thanks, Chris.

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MINISTRY AREA

Please visit our website at <http://www.taffrhymney.church>

### Our Ministry Area comprises of the following districts:

**Ystrad Mynach** — Holy Trinity  
**Treharris, Trelewis, Bedlinog, Nelson & Llanfabon** — St. John, St. Matthias, St. Mabon  
**Gelligaer & Gilfach** — St. Catwg, St. Margaret  
**Pontllytyn** — St. Tyfaelog, St. Aidan, St. Mary & St. Andrew  
**Bargoed, Deri & Brithdir** — St. Gwladys

#### This month's featured church:

### ST. MATTHIAS, TREHARRIS

- **Sundays** - Announced Weekly  
10.00am Holy Eucharist,  
alternating between Treharris,  
Llanfabon, and Nelson.
- **Wednesdays** Holy Eucharist  
6.30pm.



### Reflection for March

A glance at the liturgical calendar for March reveals some 'Red Letter Feasts' for us to look forward to. We start on a high with St David's Day. March 19<sup>th</sup> is St Joseph's Day and March 25<sup>th</sup> The Annunciation of The Lord (Yes, exactly nine months before Christmas Day). In our Christian tradition we have some saintly role models to follow and inspire us on our journey through Lent. St Joseph with his acceptance and trust in God and Our Lady with her "yes" to God's will. Oh, and March 17<sup>th</sup> is St Patrick's Day. So here's to us enjoying the sanctity of the saints, the hosannas of heaven and the alleluias of the angels, all in March.

**Reader Sarah**