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TAFF RHYMNEY MINISTRY AREA | ARDAL WEINIDOGAETH TÂF RHYMNI

Saint Mabon | Saint John the Baptist | Saint Matthias

On behalf of the family of churches in the ministry area may I take this opportunity to offer you a very warm welcome. A special welcome if you're joining with us for the first time; or joining with us online. We are an inclusive community; whatever your faith, or none, it's really good to have you join with us today:

Fr Lindsay Ford | Associate Priest

TODAY

10:00 am The Parish Eucharist | St Matthias, Treharris,

6:00 pm The Office: Evensong | Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach

The Collect of the Day

O Lord Jesus Christ, at your first coming you sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at

your second coming to judge the world we may be found an

acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

The Readings of the Day

Isaiah 35. 1-10; James 5. 7-10; Matthew 11. 2-11

The Psalm | Psalm 146. 4-10

R/. I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

The Gospel Acclamation and Responses

Alleluia! Alleluia! Speak, Lord for your ser | vant is listening. You have the words of e | ternal life. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

R/. Glory be to you, O Lord!

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Amen! We lift our hearts and voices to you; as we sing:

Amen! So shall it be, for ever Amen!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Advent Feria 15th December 2025

Tuesday: Advent Feria 16th December 2025

10:30 am Warm spaces at St John's, Nelson

Wednesday: O Wisdom! purple

17th December 2025

11:00 am Holy Eucharist at St Matthias, Treharris

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Thursday: O Adonai! purple

18th December 2025

10:00 am An advent reflection at St Matthias, Treharris

6:30 pm Holy Eucharist at St Mabon's, Llanfabon

Friday: O Root of Jesse! purple

19th December 2025

10:30 am Holy Eucharist at St John's, Nelson

11:00 am Warm spaces at St John's, Nelson

Saturday: O Key oi Dav

20th December 2025

St Mabon's Church, Llanfabon is open every day between 8:30 am and 7:30 pm

All the churches within the Taff Rhymney Ministry Area are committed to the safety and wellbeing of everyone; especially children, young people and vulnerable adults.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the local safeguarding representative or clergy:

You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer on 07301 041 937

JOIN WITH US NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday the 21st of December 2025

(purple)

+ The Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 am The Parish Eucharist | St Mabon's, Llanfabon, CF46 6PG

6:00 pm Nine Lessons & Carols at Holy Trinity, Ystrad Mynach, CF82 7DR

NOTICES AND INFORMATION

COMMUNITY LUCKY 4's if you would like to play this week's draw tickets are available at the back of the church. Thank you to all our regular players; supporting the mission and outreach projects hosted by St John's, Nelson.

TAFF BARGOED FOODBANK any donations of selection boxes or seasonal treats would be most welcome as we move closer to Christmas..

CO-OP COMMUNITY FUND the foodbank has been selected as one of the local charities for the next round of funding. Download the Co-op App, become a member, and choose the foodbank so that we can receive a share of £5m

ADVENT REFLECTIONS join Father Lindsay on Thursday as we journey through the Holy season of Advent. Everyone is most welcome, refreshments are available from 10:00 am. The talks are given separately, so don't worry if you missed last week's reflection.

LIGHT UP A LIFE @ CHRISTMAS you may like to remember a loved ones this Christmas; lamps will be lit at a service in each church and remain lit over Christmas. A suggested donation of £5 per lamp. Names to Pam or Vicky.

GIVING TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THIS CHURCH a collection plate may be passed around at each service; however, you may like to gift either by scanning the QR code on the back page; or by using your mobile phone and sending a text:

TEXT 2 GIVE: Text TTBL followed by a space, followed by the amount of your gift in numbers to 70085 to support the life of this church.

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: The Parish of Treharris Trelewis Bedlinog & Llanfabon

22nd December | Light up a Life @ Nelson

A Service of Readings & Carols at 7:00 pm St John's, Nelson, CF46 6HA

23rd December | Light up a Life @ Treharris

A Service of Readings & Carols at 7:00 pm St Matthias, Treharris, CF46 5RB

24th December | Light up a Life @ Llanfabon

A Family Eucharist & Carols at 3:00 pm St Mabon's, Llanfabon, CF46 6PG

24th December | Christmas Evc

The First Eucharist of Christmas at 7:00 pm St Matthias, Treharris, CF46 5RB

25th December | Christmas Day

The Eucharist of Christmas Day at 10:00 am St John's, Nelson, CF46 6HA

Unto us a child is born; unto us a child is given.

HOLY TRINITY, YSTRAD MYNACH : ST JOHN, NELSON : ST MABON, LLANFABON : ST CATWG, GELLIGAER ST MARGARET, GILFACH : ST GWLADYS, BARGOED : ST TYFAELOG, PONTLOTTYN : ST AIDEN, BUTE TOWN : SS MARY & ANDREW, FOCHRIW

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