

## TOGETHER | TEULU@

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

10:00 am The Parish Eucharist | St John's, Nelson

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

## The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 of the Day

Genesis 2. 15-17, 3. 1-7; Romans 5. 12-19; Matthew 4. 1-11

## The Psalm | Psalm 32

**R/. Forgive me, O Lord, the guilt of my sin.**

## The Gospel Acclamation and Responses

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!

**R/. Glory to you, O Lord!****R/. Praise to you, O Christ!****A-- a- a- a- men!**

# THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday : Polycarp; Bishop & Martyr  
23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

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Tuesday : Lenten Feria  
24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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

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Wednesday : Lenten Feria  
25<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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11:00 am The Holy Eucharist at St Matthias, Treharris

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Thursday : Lenten Feria  
26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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10:00 am Lenten Talk at St Matthias, Treharris

6:30 pm The Holy Eucharist at St John's, Nelson

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Friday : George Herbert; Priest  
27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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

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

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Saturday : Lenten Feria  
28<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2026

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+ The Second Sunday of Lent

10:00 am The Parish Eucharist | St John's, Nelson, CF46 6HA

6:00 pm The Office : Evensong 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** if you would like to make a one-off or regular gift to support the foodbank, please use one of the small gift-envelopes or donate online using the following details: Taff Bargoed Foodbank Sort: 08-92-99 A/c: 697200445. Supporting local people at a time of crisis.

**WALSINGHAM 2026** Monday 20 - Thursday 23 July; cost per person including travel, accommodation and meals £460; more details from Audrey.

**CHURCH JUMBLE SALE-COMING SOON** Why not have a sort out or donate any unwanted or pre-loved items. Clothes and shoes, toys and games, books, CDs and DVDs, Jewellery and watches, household items and china. Items must be clean and in good working order.

**LENTEN TALKS : CHRISTIAN MYSTICS** Fr Lindsay will be offering a series of talks through Lent the Christian Mystics. Beginning this week on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February at 10:00 am, St Matthias, Treharris; all welcome.

**SERVICE OF LICENSING** of Fr Rajiv who joins us as our new Ministry Area Lead and Fr Gary as the new Area Dean of Eglwysilan by Bishop Mary at the Cathedral on Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> of March at 4:00 pm : All welcome!

**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

To watch a service online, enter the following link into your device:  
<https://www.youtube.com/@anglicanchurchtaffbargoed1299>

# JOIN WITH US : SUNDAYS 10:00 am

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026 | + The Second Sunday of Lent  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St John's, Nelson, CF46 6HA

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026 | + The Third Sunday of Lent  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St Matthias, Treharris, CF46 5RB

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026 | + The Fourth Sunday of Lent : Mothering Sunday  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St Mabon's, Llanfabon, CF46 6PG

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026 | + The Fifth Sunday of Lent : Passion Sunday  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St John's, Nelson, CF46 6HA

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026 | + Palm Sunday  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St Matthias, Treharris, CF46 5RB

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026 | + The Resurrection of the Lord  
10:00 am | Parish Eucharist | St Mabon's, Llanfabon, CF46 6PG

## TAFF BARGOED FOODBANK | NELSON & TREHARRIS

During January Taff Bargoed Foodbank responded to :

**48**

(106 adults/children)

requests from local people in crisis:

**950.0 Kgs**

of essential items have been distributed (food | toiletries)

'Working together to tackle food poverty, digital poverty, fuel poverty and period poverty'

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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