

News and Events

Advent Groups 2023



Thanks to everyone who attended the Advent Groups in December. It was fun to make one of them a floating / itinerant one across the Ministry Area (week 1 - Bargoed; week 2 - Ystrad Mynach; week 3 - Pontlottyn). Perhaps in the future as we deepen our sense of common life we can develop this idea in other areas and ventures.

Blessings - Jeff Hankins

Communications Group

The next Communications Group Meeting will be held on 7th February. If there are things you'd like to see the group sharing more clearly and widely amongst ourselves, please pass it on (via contact details on this pew sheet?) before then. Also please consider whether you could be:

- Someone who helps maintain and update our Ministry Area Website?
- A 'contact' person for your church/district who can help to gather and pass on news/dates about events etc which would be good to share amongst us on this sheet and/or the website!

Thanks!

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 by the third week of the month for inclusion in the following months edition.

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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
Pontlottyn — 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
- **Wednesday**
 11.00am Holy Eucharist



Reflection for January

How do you feel about January? It can be a difficult month for many people. There is that sense of anticlimax as we return to work and our usual routines after the Christmas and New Year festivities. For some there is the realisation that their Christmas legacy of debt will still be hanging over them long into next year. We may spend time in January reflecting on the year that has passed and making New Year's resolutions. These resolutions often take the form of self-improvement projects to improve our fitness levels, lose weight, reduce alcohol intake, adopt veganism, keep in contact with our relatives, read more, watch less television. Here is my idea for a spiritual resolution, borrowed from a hymn I used to sing at school. It reminds me that living in God's presence, in the here and now, is enough.

Lord, for tomorrow and its needs I do not pray;
 Still keep me, guide me, love me, Lord, Through each today.

It is my prayer for you, too, that you will feel God's comforting presence in your life through the year to come.

Reader Sarah