News and Events

MINISTRY AREA PENTECOST PRAISE

(no evensong at Holy Trinity)

Come and celebrate the birthday of the Church, on 8th June, 4.30pm at St Gwladys Church, Bargoed; a time of worship and praise, including the release of a dove; children's activities please bring something to eat and share and encourage others to come along.

MINISTRY AREA WALSINGHAM CELL

On 5th June - Mass at 6:30pm at St Mabon's Church, Llanfabon

We would like to reintroduce a Cell of Our Lady of Walsingham as a group who meet regularly once a month in order to pray for the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk and to support and embody the mission and work of the shrine in daily life. The cell will share details about pilgrimages to Walsingham and help foster devotion to Our Lady in local congregations.

Y CYMUN BENDIGAID - EUCHARIST IN WELSH

Father Gary would like to offer the opportunity for Welsh speakers and learners to come together in worship and fellowship.

We will be holding our first of what we hope will become a regular celebration of the Holy Eucharist in Welsh on **Dydd Sadwrn – Saturday 5th** Gorffenaf/July am/at 11.00am in/yn Eglwys S. Catwg's Church, Gelligaer, to serve the Welsh speakers and learners of our Ministry Area and wider community. Everyone is welcome to come along!!



Bargoed Male Voice Choir will be holding their ANNUAL CONCERT

in St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach on Friday 13th June 2025 Tickets £5 available from Fr Garv or on the door. Everyone is welcome.



Fr Ashley Hunt.

Bargoed Community Choir Concert

Bargoed Community Choir, joined by Students of Heolddu School, and Ali Shone (Soloist) are in concert at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach on Thursday 19th June, start 7.00pm. Tickets are available from choir members or on the door.

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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

Saints and Holy Days

THE DAY of PENTECOST—8th June

Pentecost, a Christian feast day, signifies the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ 50 days after Easter. It's a celebration of the birth of the Church and the empowerment of believers to spread the gospel. The name "Pentecost" comes from the Greek word for "fiftieth," reflecting its timing 50 days after Easter.

Why did Jesus celebrate Pentecost?

It is also a word that was used in Judaism during the time of Jesus, as Pentecost was the word used for the harvest festival Shavuot. The Christian celebration has its origins in the Acts of the Apostles, in Acts 2:1-12, where the early disciples experienced the filling of the Holy Spirit promised by Jesus.



Reflection for June.

'As a child I enjoyed the annual Whitsun marches and 'anniversaries', but didn't find it easy to make the link with the amazing initiatory outpouring and empowering by the Holy Spirit which occurred, after Jesus' ascension. Which we read about in the beginning of Acts. I'm glad we more often use the word 'Pentecost' now, and this month we celebrate that event; but also praying, I hope, that as we grow in submission to the Spirit's work among us, (as individual's, Districts, and a Ministry Area!) and live more and more reliant on His promptings and enabling's, we really will be a Pentecostal people (i.e. all year round!)'

Jeff Hankins

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