

## News and Events

### *Y Cymun Bendigaïd / Welsh Eucharist*

Gwasanaeth 11.00am 2ail Mai 2026, Service 11.00am 2nd May 2026  
Holy Trinity Church, Ystrad Mynach.

### Installation ceremony at Llandaff Cathedral

The afternoon of Mothering Sunday saw a large congregation at Llandaff Cathedral attending the installation of Fr Gary as Dean of Eglwysillan and also Fr Rajiv Sidhu as the leader of our Ministry Area. Bishop Mary presided and gave the address.



### Bishop Mary's Easter Message 2026

If you would like view Bishop Mary's Easter Message you can do so by simply copying the link below and pasting or typing it into your web browser.

<https://llandaff.churchinwales.org.uk/en/news-and-blog/bishop-marys-easter-message-2026/>



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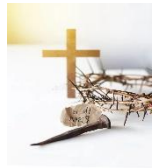
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### Our Ministry Area comprises of the following districts:

**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

### Saints and Holy Days -

**Holy Week** is the final, solemn week of Lent in Christianity, spanning from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday. It commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, including his entry into Jerusalem, the Last Supper, crucifixion on Good Friday, and resurrection.

**Palm Sunday:** Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, often celebrated with palm branches.

**Holy Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday:** Jesus clears the Temple, teaches in parables, and is betrayed by Judas.

**Maundy Thursday:** Commemorates the Last Supper, the institution of the Eucharist, and the washing of the disciples' feet.

**Good Friday:** A day of fasting and solemnity marking the crucifixion and death of Jesus.

**Holy Saturday:** The day of rest and vigil, reflecting on Jesus in the tomb.

**Easter Sunday:** Celebrates the resurrection of Jesus, marking victory over sin and death



### Reflection for April

April is a time of renewal, growth, and hope, symbolizing a transition from winter to summer. It is a month for focusing on new beginnings, finding joy in nature's transformation, and reflecting on themes of faith, resilience, and light in the face of challenges.

On April 5th, we celebrate the victory of Jesus' Resurrection. This is our opportunity to see God's love for us revealed in Christ Jesus risen from the grave. Saint Augustine and others remind us, "We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song." The great mystery of our Easter faith is that Christ has died, He has Risen, and Christ will come again. As we prepare and participate in this joyful celebration, we acknowledge that Jesus' resurrection gives us hope. His victory over sin and death offers us a new commitment.

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