Church News / Notices.

Cymun Bendigaid / Welsh Eucharist

Gwasanaeth 11.00am 5fed Mis Rhagfyr 2026,
Service 11.00am 5th December 2026,
Eglwys S. Catwg's Church
Croeso cynnes i bawb! A warm welcome to everyone!

"A CANDLE TO REMEMBER"

We offer the opportunity to remember our departed loved ones at Christmas with a special service of prayer and reflection and the invitation to light a candle in remembrance of loved ones.
St. Catwg's Church, Gelligaer: Sunday 13th December. 3.00pm
St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach: Wednesday 16th December 6.00pm

Christmas Prize Draw 2026

Draw will take place at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach on Friday 18th December at 7.00pm.
Everyone is welcome!

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Our annual carol service takes place in St. Catwg's Church, Gelligaer on Sunday 20th December at 6.00pm

BARGOED MALE VOICE CHOIR

will hold their Annual Christmas Concert at 7.00pm on Tuesday 15th December in S. Margaret's Church

Church Groups and Community Groups – what's on!

Friends of Gilfach

Friends of Gilfach Quiz Afternoon 24th November at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach, 2.00pm.

Friends of Gilfach

Community Dance Group

Meet each Monday at 10.30am at St. Margaret's Church. ***All are welcome!!***

Bargoed Community Choir.

We meet each Thursday, during term time, at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach – 10.00 to 11.30 am. ***All are welcome!!***

Scan to view our website

DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL AND OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES:

www.parishofgelligaer.org.uk (scan the QR Code)
Parish of Gelligaer Facebook page
llandaff.churchinwales.org.uk / churchinwales.org.uk

St. Catwg **District of Gelligaer** St. Margaret

SUNDAY 22nd November 2026
CHRIST THE KING
THE FOURTH SUNDAY of THE KINGDOM

ARDAL WEINIDOGAETH TÂF RHYMNI TAFF RHYMNEY MINISTRY AREA

We are a welcoming Christian community serving the people of the District of Gelligaer.

Priest: Fr Gary Powell Reader: Carolyn Corbin

Dear friends,

I hope that you are all well and that you have all had a good week. We extend a warm welcome to everyone. Please join us for worship. Please keep this newsletter and see our parish website and parish Facebook page which for information of our weekly services and forthcoming events and devotional aids

On this fourth Sunday of the Kingdom Season the Churches year comes to an end with the Feast of Christ the King. Today we celebrate the Kingship of our Lord Jesus Christ over earth and heaven. We give thanks that he has called us to share the glory of his risen life and promised us a place at his side in his Kingdom for ever. We pray that we may be worthy recipients of his great gift to us.

Your friend and priest, Fr Gary Powell

Worship Through the Week.

S. Catwg's Church, Gelligaer:	**S. Margaret's Church, Gilfach:**
Sunday 11.00am Sung Eucharist	**Sunday 9.30am Sung Eucharist**
Thursday 10.00am Holy Eucharist	**Wednesday 10.00am Holy Eucharist**

Everyone is welcome to join us for worship during the week and our social groups and meetings. Further details on the back of this newsletter.

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For enquires regarding Baptisms and weddings or spiritual guidance please contact Fr Gary.
We are here to help.

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The Liturgy of the Word.

Collect: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings, Psalm and Gospel for Today.

A reading from the book of Ezekiel **34. 11-16, 20-24**

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95. 1-7

Response: O come let us worship and bow down before the God, our Maker.

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into the presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! **(R)**

For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed. **(R)**

O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hands. **(R)**

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians **1. 15-23**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St. Matthew. **25. 31-46**
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'
This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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