



INFORMATION 19th November 2023 2nd Before Advent

Services for 26th November – Christ the King Sunday

9am Morning Worship in Llanymynech
11am Morning Worship in Llanyblodwel
9.30am Holy Communion in Trefonen
11am Holy Communion in Morton

Sofa Club – Next meet on 23rd November at 2.30pm in Llanymynech for an activity “Making Your Mark.”

12 Crafts of Christmas – to raise awareness of Dementia and to aid the Alzheimer’s Society, some of the members have been crafting and those items will appear in the churches and fairs over the next few weeks – gift tags, cards, bunting, stockings, please support if you can. Many thanks.

Café Blodwel – Next meet on 6th December from 10.30am with seasonal refreshments and more. More details to follow.

Trefonen Community Café – meet every Tuesday in the Village Hall Trefonen for home made cakes and a cuppa from 9am. Christmas café is on Tuesday 12th December, more details to follow.....

Llanymynech Community Café next meet on 5th December from 1-3pm in Llanymynech Church Hall. This will be the Christmas one

Trefonen Prayer Meeting – next meet on 2nd Tuesday of December at 7.30pm to pray for Church and Community.

Benefice Reading of St Mark on next Saturday 25th November in Trefonen, starting at 2pm till approx. 4.30pm.

Readers are needed for 16 Chapters
4 from each Church.

Llanyblodwel – 1, 5, 9, 13
Llanymynech – 2, 6, 10, 14
Morton – 3, 7, 11, 15
Trefonen – 4, 8, 12, 16

If willing to read please sign your name on the list at the back of the church against the chapter and contact details asap. If you can help provide tea/ coffee/ milk/ biscuits, speak to Rev’d Kathy.
There will also be an introduction to Mark on 28th November from 7.30pm. More details to follow.

Meet and Eat The next Meet and Eat in Pant Institute is on 3rd December from 10-12noon.

4 C’s next meet on 28th November from 10.30am. This will be the Christmas one, with seasonal refreshments and more.

Volunteers Needed – Church of England’s focus for Advent/ Christmas/ Epiphany is Follow The Star and Join The Song. Proposed to have on Facebook, a carol, short reflection and prayer from 1st – 24th December recording them in November so as to avoid busyness of December. Some help is needed to sing/ play/ read carol/ reflection/ prayer. If willing speak to Rev’d Kathy. Thank You.

Aid for Middle East – Many thanks to all who supported this.

Toy Service on 3rd December – Each of the Churches will collect new unwrapped toys for children at Christmas, that without your generosity would be without on Christmas Day. The collection will take place during the Morning Worship, be taken up to Trefonen that day and be taken on from there.

Travelling Nativities – list is now out. If you wish it in your homes/ places of work/ school please contact Jann Downes/ Lizzie Lawrence or Rev’d Kathy to book a slot.

Winter Fair in Llanymynech – thanks to all those who supported this yesterday.

Choir Concert in Llanymynech – on 16th December, tickets now available at £14, contact Anne Roberts.

Christmas Fair – in the Institute Llanyblodwel on 2nd December from 2pm with Santa, stalls, raffle and refreshments.

Meeting for Morton re the flowers for Christmas – in Church at 7pm on 21st November.

Safeguarding Sunday – today is National Safeguarding Sunday, an opportunity to sadly highlight the need for good practice in all our doings and behaviour to protect any and all people in our care both adults and children.

SAFEGUARDING

**As a Benefice, we take the safeguarding of our children and adults at risk very seriously.
Each of our churches has a person responsible for policies, procedures & advice.**

Prayer : Collect for 2nd Before Advent

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God
and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure,
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him
in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

PCC Meetings 2023/24

Llanymynech 8 January at 7.30pm
Llanyblodwel – 20th November at 6pm
Morton – 27th November at 2.15pm
Trefonen – 22nd November at 7.30pm

Saviour of the world,
save us and help us.

Readings:

1st: **Zeph 1: 7, 12-end**
2nd: **1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11**
3rd: **Matthew 25: 14-30**

Benefice Prayer Diary - This week in the Benefice we are praying for:

Sun	19 th	Nov	-	Work with the elderly
Mon	20 th	Nov	-	Minority groups
Tues	21 st	Nov	-	The community in which we live
Wed	22 nd	Nov	-	Prayer groups & home groups
Thurs	23 rd	Nov	-	Mission, vision & discernment
Fri	24 th	Nov	-	Our gifts & stewardship of ourselves
Sat	25 th	Nov	-	The Benefice Office

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