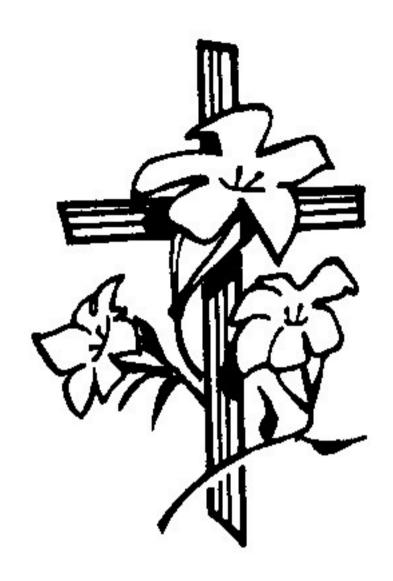
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Y Gwanwyn- 2017 - Spring

The magazine for the churches and communities of the Epynt a'r Wysg Ministry Area in the Usk Valley



Editorial

In spite of the wet and windy weather the first lambs and daffodils are appearing, and we look forward to Lent and to Easter. This issue of the magazine looks forward too, but with requests for help if 'Braf' is to continue in its present format. Printing costs have risen, so please do provide us with information on businesses who would advertise in the magazine, particularly in the Dan yr Epynt benefice. Without this, it will not be possible to produce so many copies, or with the same number of pages. The present editors would also welcome help to take on the tasks of putting the magazine together, and proof reading it. It has been much appreciated by the community, and it would be sad to see it disappear.

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Epynt a'r Wysg Ministry Area making progress

Receiving Christ

Friday Lent Study from 3rd to 31st March at Trallong Village Hall 11:30 - 12:45, followed by Lunch at 1pm. Come to one or other or both. Don't worry you're not able to make every session - each is standalone. Donations for lunch will go to the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

Contact Margaret Blake on 01874 636390

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Ministry Area Announcements

We will be holding a service of Compline on the third Monday of each month starting on April 17th in Defynnog followed by Crai on May 15th. This is a short contemplative service which will start at 7:30pm.

On Sunday 30th April the Ministry Area combined service at 10.30 am will be held at Llanfihangel Nant Bran. This will be immediately followed by the Ministry Area 'Retreat' (until mid-afternoon) in the adjoining Village Hall. It will be a splendid opportunity for us all to come together to share in fellowship and to enhance our discipleship. We hope to see you then.

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From the other side of the hill

Spring is slowly nudging forward as I write this. The weather still see-saws between icy blasts and balmy breezes. But each day, dawn slides across my window sill a little earlier. Every evening, light is slower to relinquish its grip in the sky. My heart sings with joy and relief; darkness is receding.

There is something primeval about humankind's desire for light. Scientists will probably say it is something inherent in our biological framework. But light is more than just the absence of darkness; it is a symbol of so much else. In our everyday lives we talk about 'seeing the light' when we suddenly grasp some concept with which we have been struggling. There is 'light at the end of the tunnel' we say when life is difficult. But more, even than that, light is a powerful religious symbol found in many faiths.

"I am the Light of the world" said Jesus (John 8.12). Yet, as we know, he had to enter into the darkness of this world. Abandoned by friends, betrayed with a kiss, condemned by bigots and executed by an oppressive regime. As we remember on Good Friday, forces of evil overwhelmed him.

But then comes Easter Day. When I was a curate, our church held the Easter Liturgy at daybreak. Just as the dawn chorus began we assembled in the churchyard and a bonfire lit. Its bright flames threw faces into sharp relief as the Easter Candle was lit from its blaze. Holding it aloft, we processed into the darkened church, lighting more and more candles as we went. "The Light of Christ!" the vicar proclaimed. A great peal on the organ greeted this news. Easter had truly begun - and our hearts leapt with joy.

Just as dawn follows the night so Love - the love of God - conquers evil. The darkness of the tomb could not hold Jesus; he broke forth into the light of resurrection. He offers us that same love today, helping us to walk in his Light always.

I wish you a blessed and joyful Easter.

Margaret

Blaenwysg Regular Services

Sunday	First	Second	Third	Fourth
9:30 am	Crai (Matins)	Crai	Rhydybriw	Crai
11:00 am	Defynnog	Llywel (Family Service)	Defynnog	Llywel
2 pm			Traeanglas	
3 pm		Llandeilo'r Fân		
4:30 pm	Llywel			Defynnog (Evensong)

Holy Eucharist is held at Trecastle Community Centre at 10:30 am each Thursday and at 10 am on the first Wednesday of each month at Capel Rhydybriw. During the building works at Llywel, services will be held in Trecastle Community Centre.

Forthcoming services in Dan-yr-Epynt

	9.15am	11am
1st Sunday	See below	Trallong
2nd Sunday	Aberyscir	Lower Chapel
3rd Sunday	Llandefaelog	Llanfihangel Nant
		Bran
4th Sunday	Merthyr Cynog	Bettws Penpont
5th Sunday	In rotation	10:30

It has now been decided to rotate the first Sunday service around the 3 remaining valley churches, so the 5th March service will be in Llandefaelog Church, the 2nd April in Merthyr Cynog Church, the 7th May in Lower Chapel, the 4th June service in Llandefaelog Church and so on.

Please note that fifth Sunday services will alternate between Dan-yr-Epynt and Blaenwysg. The next one will be April 30th at 10:30 am at Llanfihangel Nant Bran.

Remembering David Jones of Llandefaelog

We were sad to announce the death of David Jones. David lived across the road from the church. Before his illness, David was a keen bell-ringer, and "custodian" of the church, (opening and closing it daily). He also researched the church history, and the histories of the families buried there. He produced a number of leaflets and articles (known as "Maelog's Musings"), many of which appeared in our former "Yr Ffordd" magazine, and his musings are now compiled in a booklet, available in the church. Our sympathy and condolences go to his widow Anne, who nursed him throughout his illness, and to all his family. On the day that he died, some bell-ringers came out to ring a quarter-peal for him, so that he could hear them from his bed, which apparently gave him great pleasure before he "slipped-away" that night.

Penpont Refugee Respite Day - what an amazing day!

We had 63 people from Swansea seeking asylum/ refuge transported by Bluebird coaches. On this occasion we were joined by two Syrian families from the Newport resettlement scheme. So many guests; so many helpers, so many visitors - plus so much food, toiletries and clothing. What a wonderful response to the needs of many. Despite what some would have us believe, the world *is* clearly full of kind-hearted people offering plenty of goodwill to others.

Although the weather was not kind to us, it was a happy experience. The ponies were a great 'hit' with children and adults alike, as were the baby lambs. Woodworking, art and crafts (under cover) provided plenty of interest and the supply of donated clothing was much appreciated by those in need. A trio of gifted musicians played during the extended lunch time which added a joyous feel to the day. Throughout, we fed about 85 refugees and forty helpers; and still there was some spare food to travel back to Swansea with them. Fifty bags of toiletries and dried food were also given out to each household to take home.

A full report will be posted on our website: http://hbtsr.org.uk. Please do visit that site to see what else we are involved in and consider signing up to receive our regular mailings (no cost involved) so that you are kept updated on our activities.

The organisers would like thank everyone who took part whether you made cakes, donated goods or money, cooked food, served in the kitchen, managed the stores, looked after the ponies, arranged for lambs to come, musicians to play and artisans to lead the art and craft work or generally assisted in one way or another and to all of you who mingled with our guests and chatted to them; they really do appreciate the warmth of our welcome and the extent of our hospitality. These days offer a ray of hope to them. in their straitened circumstances.

News from the Pews

St Cynog, Defynnog

Christmas seems such a long time ago but we look back with happy memories on the Christingle service with the Church bursting at the seams with with Sennybridge schoolchildren and their families. St Cynog's was also host to the Ministry Area Carol Service where we were delighted to welcome guests from all our churches. The singing was superb and with spirits raised we collected £200 for Shelter Cymru. As ever the First Mass of Christmas was a joyful event and we walked home in the crisp starlight.

With Llywel out of use at prsent we took up the challenge and held the combined Ministry Area Service for the fifth Sunday in January and it was heartening to see so many people across the churches.

St Ilid, Crai

An enjoyable bingo evening was held at the beginning of December with many people from the Benefice. Our thanks go to Wynne for being an excellent caller and all who generously donated prizes. This our main fundraiser for the year helping to keep our church open so the generous support of the community is greatly appreciated.

A packed church enjoyed a Carol service with live nativity. We began with a torchlight walk to the stable where Mary, Joseph and Jesus were joined by shepherds, a beautiful angel and collection of friendly animals. The service told the nativity story through readings by the children of Blaenwysg, a lovely solo by Olivia Thomas and interesting items linked to the nativity from Guides, Brownies, Rainbows and Off the Bus. We thank everyone who took part in this joyful service to start our Christmas. It amazes me that we find a baby with willing parents each year: Thank you!

Christmas day saw a pleasing crowd celebrate the birth of Jesus with tuneful carols.

Capel Rhydybriw, Sennybridge

Winter and early Spring has been quiet at Capel Rhydybriw but we were delighted to hosting the Compline services in Advent and the combined benefice service on New Year's Day.

Our little church is "open all hours" and we frequently welcome service personnel from the camp who enjoy its the peace and prayerfulness.

St Mary, Traeanglas

We welcomed all to our Christmas Eve service, a lovely way to begin our Christmas celebrations. During the Autumn we were pleased the repair work needed to the troughings, downpipes and timers were completed and the Bell back in working order. We are now more prepared for whatever the Welsh weather will send us.

We are pleased to host the Womens' World Day of Prayer on March 3rd.

St David, Llywel

Once again the church took on a new vibrancy leading up to the Christmas period, there is something very special about seeing a full church and hearing hymns or carols being sung with a united excitement and sense of anticipation for the holiday period. We were very fortunate in Llywel to host the YFC Christmas carol service this year with the young people of our community, giving readings, saying prayers and singing. This was closely followed by the children's nativity service, giving the younger children the chance to dress up and take part in a very well supported service, for some young people it may be the first time that they become aware of the church and its environment and it is important that these memories are created and nurtured so they can drawn upon in the future.

Our January family service was our Christingle service where the children learned the significance of the orange, sweets and candle ensemble that they get to take home with them.

St Teilo, Llandeilo'r Fân

There are signs of spring in the churchyard with daffodils out in time for St.David's Day.

Our Christmas Eve service looked rather different, with a lot of participation from the young children who added characters, during the service, to the Christmas crib they had created. Thanks to Lowri, Rhys, Layla, Inigo and Tristan, and to Gwyn, Rhys, and Huw who all read so clearly during the service. We are now looking forward to welcoming everyone to our Palm Sunday service at the beginning of Holy week on 9th April.

A recent Community meeting at St. Teilo's discussed the role of the church in the community. A good turn-out of parishioners ensured interest in going forward with new ideas in funding the church. Look out for events in 2017.

Ss Cynidr and Mary, Aberyscir

Without fail the snowdrops in the graveyard have put on a brave display telling us that Spring is not far away.

We have benefited from the vital roof repairs carried out last November. The team used an amazing cherrypicker, which looked rather like a praying mantis, which was able to cope with the steeply sloping ground. This enabled costs to be kept down and the same technique could be used elsewhere.

For some years we have had a small account with the Charities Aid Foundation. They recently asked us to confirm, for 'regulatory requirements', whether our annual turnover was less than epsilon50 million. After a check of our bank statements, we were able to advise that this was so!

Bettws Penpont

Christmas Day Service was extremely well attended with a full Church. The baptism of Ariya Hannah Fisher Hicks was a joyous occasion for the family and friends when she was baptised on Saturday 18th February. We now look forward to Spring and Easter.

St Maelog, Llandefaelog

Our stalwart parishoner, David Jones, is much missed.

We are grateful to the retired (or not-so retired) clergy, who have kindly been taking services for us, along with reader Roger Tonkin, during our interregnum. We are also grateful to Colin Greengrass and Neville Williams for playing the organ for our services.

We have two weddings and a baptism to look forward to over the coming months.

St Cynog, Merthyr Cynog

What a pleasure to see the church full for Christmas Eve Eucharist! You are never quite sure how large the congregation will be, but we needed to share service sheets.

Services that were formerly scheduled at Upper Chapel have been held at Merthyr Cynog, up to year end. Now that the process of closing Upper Chapel Church is underway they are being held on a rotating basis in the other three churches in the valley until further notice.

St Michael, Llanfihangel Nant Bran

St Michael's church was almost full for the Christmas Family Service. An interactive presentation of the Nativity story, a selection of popular carols and beautiful solo singing all made for a very special event to mark that most holy of seasons.

Now, though, it is time to look forward to hosting the Ministry Area combined service at 10.30 am. On Sunday 30th April This will be immediately followed by the Ministry Area 'Retreat' (until mid-afternoon) in the adjoining Village Hall. It will be a splendid opportunity for us all to come together to share in fellowship and to enhance our discipleship. We hope to see you then.

St Michael and All Angels, Lower Chapel

We are grateful for the support we are having by the team of clergy and lay readers during the interregnum and were especially delighted that Bishop John came and took our service on 12th February. We are now getting ready for our fundraising Coffee Morning on 24th February. Please see the calendar for dates of our other fundraising coffee mornings.

St David, Trallong

Our Carol Service was very well attended. Once again the children gave a wonderful Nativity production "Happy Birthday Jesus"; Narrators - Tom and Abigail, Mary and Joseph - Lucy and Daniel, Kings - George, Thomas and Kaitlin, Shepherds - Jack and Owen, Angels - Mollai, Zosia and Sophie, Star/ Ox - Esme. We were also treated to Sophie Jones singing "Once in Royal"; and James Moranzietek played a couple of folk tunes on his bag pipes.

Thanks to everyone who made our service so enjoyable.

St Cynog, Capel Dyffryn Honddu Upper Chapel

The sad process for closure of Dyffryn Honddu Church in Upper Chapel is proceeding and we are awaiting the final decision on this and on disposal of the contents through a diocesan faculty.

In the meantime, the first Sunday service in the northern valley scheduled for Upper Chapel has been held for just over a year in Merthyr Cynog Church. However, it has now been decided to rotate this service around the 3 remaining valley churches. We are grateful to Rev Paul Wilding for sorting out the additional complexity of these service arrangements.

From the Registers

We gave thanks for the life of:

David Jones Sidney Leslie "Les" Jones John Waldron Mabel Gwendoline Olive Roderick.

We welcomed Ariya Hannah Fisher Hicks 18th February at Bettws Penpont.

Chapel services - Spring 2017

Mar 5th 2pm	Ty Newydd	Trecastle
Mar 12th 2pm	Saron	Cwmwysg
Mar 26th 2pm	Zoar Chapel	Pentrefelin*
Apr 9th 2pm	Zoar Chapel	Pentrefelin
Apr 14th 2:30pm	Horeb Chapel	Crai
	(Good Friday service	Rev Jeff Williams)
Apr 16th 10:30am	Horeb Chapel	Crai
Apr 16th 2pm	Ty Newydd	Trecastle
Apr 23rd 2pm	Ty Newydd	Trecastle *
May 14th 2pm	Ty Newydd	Trecastle
May 28th 2pm	Zoar Chapel	Pentrefelin *
Jun 11th 2pm	Zoar Chapel	Pentrefelin
Jun 25th 2pm	Ty Newydd	Trecastle *

^{*}these are Communion services.

Cynog Honddu Fundraising Group.

The Cynog Honddu Fundraising Group is organising a Wine and Cheese evening on Sunday 14^{th} May in the marquee at Llandefaelog House, 6pm - 8.30 pm. £8 per head to include refreshments and a glass of wine. Everyone welcome. The group would also be pleased to have additional members of its 200 club. It costs £12 per year, and there is a quarterly draw, with prizes of up to £50.

For more information please see the Calendar or contact Lizzie Stephens 01874 611989.

Trecastle YFC

What a busy time we have had. With Christmas celebrations over, it was time to get ready for the Drama Festival. Drama week seemed to creep up very quickly and the week kicked off with our Senior One Plus "Hold on Tight" where we saw parts of Rhodri and Carwyn that, maybe, we may wish never to see again. The boys entertained the crowd in true Trecastle style and had an excellent adjudication. Next up on Tuesday, the senior girls performed and on Thursday our two Junior Plus Ones took to the stage. All performed well and had good adjudications. Then came the entertainment : "Birds of a Feather". We could hardly believe our ears when, at the end of the evening, it was announced that we were in the top two and would return to the stage on the Saturday night. As if that wasn't enough, we were thrilled when the Junior Plus One 1st place was awarded to "Ego" performed by Jessica, Seren, Casey, Paige, Rebekah and Katy who were also nominated for the Best Female Performance, 16 years and under. With little sleep on Friday night, we traveled to Theatr Brycheiniog. When the curtains opened at last, the results were ready to be revealed. You would have been able to hear the roar in Trecastle when it was announced that 1st place for Entertainment went to Trecastle YFC's "Birds of a Feather". Tears flowed as more successes were announced: Dan Fergusson (Best Actor under 26 years), Best Production and Best Written Production. We were delighted to compete at the Princess Royal Theatre, Port Talbot on March 5th where we achieved 4th place. This has been a massive achievement for the Club and we are truly proud of our cast of 30, with 24 18 years and younger. The future is certainly bright for Trecastle YFC.







Easter Crafts





Easter Church Crafts will be held on April 14th Good Friday afternoon, starting at 2pm in Trecastle Community Centre. Everyone is welcome and please bring a donation of food for the refreshments at the end of the afternoon.

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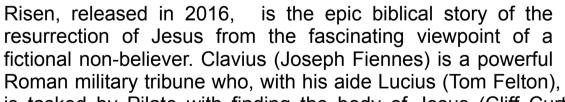
As you dash along the A40 you may be wondering what is happening at Llywel Church with its scaffolding. January also saw the long-planned work start on the tower. Unfortunately the deterioration in the tower was much worse than expected, so some of the funds allocated for lower ground level jobs is being diverted to the tower repairs in order to make the best use of the scaffolding currently in place. So, having found many cracks, some of which are severe we are now having to have pins and tie bars incorporated in the repointing work. The Friends have made use of their noticeboard in the village hall to display photos of our findings for those that are intrigued and interested in what is happening. We will endeavour to keep this updated throughout the project. All services during the repair period will continue to be held in Trecastle Community Centre.



Community Council Elections 2017

Nominations for Community Councillors open on 20 March and close on April 4th at 4 pm. See powys.gov.uk/elections

Film Night Ty Newydd Chapel, Trecastle
Sunday 9th April Doors open at 7pm, film starts at 7.30
Risen Certificate 12 Starring Joseph Fiennes



is tasked by Pilate with finding the body of Jesus (Cliff Curtis) to prevent an uprising in Jerusalem before the Emperor arrives on a visit.

The film centres on the reaction of the ambitious Clavius to his failure in the task and the surprising events which followed. You can see the trailer on YouTube via tinyurl.com/risentrailer.

This is an excellent film and highly recommended. For further information contact David and Carole Dry on 01874 636210.

Off The Bus Club ...



Off the Bus, what is that? It is Sunday school on a Monday after school. We listen to Bible stories, play games, sing, pray and craft, oh and I forgot we have snack.

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For more information tel. Liz on 01874 636797

Guiding in Sennybridge

It offers a safe space where they can be themselves, build their confidence and escape from the ever-increasing pressures in their lives. Women tell us every week that their accomplishments and memories through guiding have lasted throughout their lives.

We are open to all girls aged 5 to 14 years and, of course, adult volunteers are always welcome.

Contact Liz Matthews on 01874 636797

Tea and Chat will run every Wednesday afternoon at Ty Newydd chapel, Trecastle from 2.30 – 4pm starting on Wednesday 1 March, St David's Day. Everyone welcome. Croeso cynnes i bawb. Drop in when you can.



Confirmation_

Would anyone wishing to be confirmed please contact Vicar Paul so that classes may be arranged.



Winter Calendar

Thursday 9th March	Whist Drive	Community Hall,
		Upper Chapel
Thursday 23rd	Whist Drive	Community Hall,
March		Upper Chapel
Tuesday 4th April 7pm	Sennybridge WI Guide Dogs for the Blind	Maescar Hall
Tuesday 4th April	Merthyr Cynog WI Talk by Curator of Regimental Museum, Brecon	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Thursday 6th April	Whist Drive	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Friday 14th April	Children's Easter crafts	Trecastle Community Centre
Friday April 7th	Joint Honddu Cynog Fundraising Group in aid of Lower Chapel Church	Bishop Bevan Hall
Thursday 20th April	Whist Drive	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Friday April 21st	Joint Honddu Cynog Fundraising Group in aid of Merthyr Cynog Church	Bishop Bevan Hall
Sunday April 23rd at 3pm	Celebration of Sankey and Moody	St Ilid Crai
Tuesday 2nd May 7pm	Sennybridge WI - Resolutions, Bring and Buy	Maescar Hall
Thursday 4th May	Local Elections	Community Hall, Upper Chapel and Maescar Hall
Saturday 6th May	AUCTION for Hall Funds, all contributions welcome and everyone welcome to come along on night	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Tuesday 9th May	Hall Committee Annual General Meeting	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Friday May 14th	Joint Honddu Cynog Fundraising Group in aid of Llandefaelog Church	Bishop Bevan Hall
Tuesday 6th June 2pm	Sennybridge WI - Treberfydd Walled Garden	meet at Maescar Hall

Weekly Diary

Mondays	3:45 - 5pm	Off the Bus Club	Neuadd y Plwyf Crai
Mon - Thur	9:30 - 12:30 pm	Cylch Meithrin	Sennybridge Youth Wing
Tuesdays	1:00 - 3pm	Toddler Group	Sennybridge School
	5:30 - 7 pm	Brownies (age 7 - 10)	Sennybridge School Hall & Youth Wing
	7:00 - 8:30pm	Girl Guides	Sennybridge Youth Wing
	7:30pm	Table Tennis	Trallong Village Hall
Wednesdays	1:00 - 3:30 pm	Afternoon bowls	Maescar Hall
	2:30 - 4pm	Drop in : tea and a chat	Ty Newydd Chapel, Trecastle
	5:00 - 6:00 pm	Rainbows (age 5 - 7)	Sennybridge School Hall
	7:00 - 9:00 pm	Short Mat Bowls	Maescar Hall
	6:30 pm	Knitting Club	Trecastle Community Hall
	7:30 pm	Trecastle YFC	Trecastle Community Hall
	7pm	Pontfaen YFC Full range of activities. Age 10 upwards	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Thursdays	6:30 - 7:30	Zumba	Maescar Hall
	7:15pm	Short Mat Bowls	Trallong Village Hall
	7:30 pm	Trallong Ladies Choir	Maescar Hall
	7:30 - 8:30 pm	Bell ringing	St Cynog's Church, Defynnog
Friday	pm	Sennybridge Junior Football Club	Riverside Park (football ground)
		Badminton 7pm - All welcome	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
		Keep fit, yoga and art groups contact Margaret Blake tanyllan2@gmail.com	Llanfihangel Nant Bran Village Hall

Check with the organiser that your event is running.

Monthly Diary

First Monday	Community Garden Club	Crai Village Hall
First Tuesday	Sennybridge WI	Maescar Hall
	Merthyr Cynog WI. Contact Linda Probert on 01874 625133	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
Second Tuesday	Trecastle Ladies Guild	Trecastle Community Hall
LastTuesday	Honddu Ladies Group Contact Liz 01874 611989 or Dawn 01874 624524	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
	Senior Citizens (Evergreens) 2 - 4 pm	Community Hall, Upper Chapel
First Wednesday	Merched Crai	Neuadd y Plwyf Crai
	Trallong WI	Trallong Village Hall
Third Wednesday 10am -12 noon	Brecon & District Mind Coffee Morning	Maescar Hall
Fourth Wednesday	Camera Club	Trallong Village Hall
Last Wednesday	Craft Club	Neuadd y Plwyf Crai
Third Thursday	Worship Meeting	Bronydd Mawr Farm
First Friday	Social gathering	Llanfihangel Nant Bran Village Hall
Second and Fourth Friday	Flix in the Stix (Contact Alan Bloss)	Trallong Village Hall
	Book Club - contact Margaret Blake tanyllan2@gmail.com	Llanfihangel Nant Bran Village Hall

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Would you like to join in? There are rehearsals at the Senni Hall at 2pm on Sunday April 23rd and at Cwmcamlais on Sunday 7th May at 2pm. All welcome.

The Gymanfa will be held at 6pm on May 21st at Cwmcamlais



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April 9th (Palm Sunday) 9:30am	Holy Eucharist with Palm Ceremonies	St Ilid, Crai
11 am	Family Service	Trecastle
3pm	Evensong and Sermon	St Teilo, Llandeilo'r Fân
Monday of Holy Week (April 10th) 7pm	Holy Eucharist	Capel Rhydybriw
Tuesday of Holy Week (April 11th) 12 noon	Chrism Mass	Brecon Cathedral
7pm	Holy Eucharist	Capel Rhydybriw
Wednesday of Holy Week (April 12th) 7pm	Holy Eucharist	Capel Rhydybriw
Maundy Thursday (April 13th) 7pm	Holy Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar	St Ilid, Crai
Good Friday (April 14th) 2:30pm	Good Friday Service	Horeb Chapel, Crai
7pm	Reflections of the Passion	St Cynog, Defynnog
Holy Saturday (April 15th) 7pm	Easter Vigil with Blessing of the Easter Light	St Cynog, Defynnog
Easter Day (March April 16th) 9:30 am	Holy Eucharist	Capel Rhydybriw
10:30 am	Easter Service	Horeb Chapel, Crai
11 am	Holy Eucharist	St Cynog, Defynnog
2pm	Evensong	St Mary, Traeanglas