

Sunday Newsletter

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***St Ffagan, St Luc & St Iago, Aberdâr
St Fagan, St Luke & St James, Aberdare
Sunday 18th May • Fifth Sunday of Easter***

Church Services

Today:

6pm Youth Church, St Fagan's Hall, 6pm

Next Sunday:

St James' 8.30am; St Fagan's 9.30am; St Luke's 11am

Cynon Calling, St Elvan's, 6pm

in loving memory Services this week:

Day & Church	Eucharist
Tues 20 th May, St James	9.30am
Thurs 22 nd May, St Luke	10.00am

St Fagan's Sunday 9.30 and some mid-week services are
livestreamed at

www.facebook.com/stfagansaberdare

Youth Church

**Tonight at 6pm in St Fagan's Hall on the theme of
"Conversations"**

Faith Factory

Our next Faith Factory is on Sunday May 25th, 9.15am in St Fagan's Hall. Please register using the QR code at the back of St Fagan's or in the hall.

Working Party at St Fagan's

The working party resumes on Monday 19th from 6pm. If you can lend a hand to help keep the churchyard and building neat and tidy, please join us and you'll even get a cup of tea and a biscuit!

Activities and events this week

Monday 19 May: Tea & Toast, St Fagan's Hall, 9.30-11.30am,

Thursday 22 May: Caffi Cinio, St Fagan's Hall, 1pm.

Call 01685 872827 to book your meal. £4 for a two-course lunch.

Saturday 24 May: Pantri Cariad, St Fagan's Hall, 2.30-3pm

The Blessed Sacrament lamp in St Fagan's burns this week

in loving memory of Doreen Lewis

To arrange a dedication for the Blessed Sacrament lamp, please sign the sheet in church or speak to one of the wardens. A donation is invited to cover the cost of the lamp.

Cynon Calling – next Sunday (25th) in St Elvan's.

Meet at 5.30pm for pre-worship refreshments, service starts at 6pm.

This month our guest speaker is the Rev Rick Gratton, Ministry Area Lead in Llynfi & Upper Afan Valleys Ministry Area.

Weddings & Baptisms

During the vacancy, please contact
Martyn Silezin to arrange any
Weddings or Baptisms

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(please note change of number)

Pastoral Care

For any pastoral need,
please speak to any of the
church wardens.

Liturgical calendar for the week Texts of readings can be found at universalis.com/mass.htm		
Date	Feast Day and Daily Eucharist Readings	Prayer Intention
Monday 19th May	Acts 14.5-18, Psalm 115.1-12a, John 14.21-26	Protection of our planet Earth
Tuesday 20th May	Acts 14.19-27, Psalm 145.10-13, 22, John 14.27-31a	All English people living in Wales
Wednesday 21st May	Acts 15.1-6, Psalm 122, John 15.1-8	All authors and writers
Thursday 22nd May	Acts 15.7-21, Psalm 96.1-3, 10-13, John 15.9-11	Spread of the Gospel
Friday 23rd May	Acts 15.22-31, Psalm 57.5-11, John 15.12-17	All who look after church buildings
Saturday 24th May	Acts 16.1-10, Psalm 100, John 15.18-21	God's blessing on our outreach work
Next Sunday		
Sunday 25th May	<i>Easter 6</i> Acts 16.9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21.10, 22 - 22.5 John 14.23-29 or John 5.1-9	Our Ministry Area

For your prayers

We pray for all who are sick or in need

Melanie, John, Holly, Libby, Nicholas, Eleanor, Donna, Dave, Harrison, Gareth, Stephen, Samantha, Jeanette, Julia, Anthony, Nigel, Angela, Paula, Rowan, Mandy

We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed known to us

And for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time

Georgina Hamblin (15th), Marjorie Phillips (16th), Michael Timms (16th), Hannah Morris (17th), Edwin Brace, (23rd), Mel Godsall (24th)

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Acts 11. 1-18

Peter has been to the Gentile city of Joppa and has been instrumental in the conversion of a Gentile household. Now back in Judea, Jewish Christians criticize him for eating with Gentiles. He explains his vision, where God told him not to make any distinction between Jew and Gentile.

Revelation 21. 1-16

The book of Revelation is prophecy which reveals the secrets of heaven and earth. In this vision the author, John, sees a new heaven and earth coming to replace the old ones. In this new city death and pain will be no more; God's reign will be total.

John 13. 31-35

This scene is from the Last Supper, just after the foot washing. Jesus tells the disciples that God will be glorified in what he is about to do, and gives them the command to love one another.

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During our vacancy please contact any of the wardens regarding any pastoral need, illness or bereavements, Martyn Silezin for enquiries about weddings and baptisms and Peta Maidman with notices for the newsletter.