

Sunday Newsletter

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***St Ffagan, St Luc & St Iago, Aberdâr
St Fagan, St Luke & St James, Aberdare
Sunday 14th December – Advent 3***

Church Services

Next Sunday: (21st December – Advent 4)

**9.30am Eucharist, St Fagan, 11am Eucharist St Luke,
11.00am Worship Service, St James, 6.30pm Carol Service, St Fagan**

Services this week:

Day & Church	Eucharist
Tues 16 th Dec, St James	9.30am
Wed 17 th Dec, St Fagan	9.30am
Thurs 18 th Dec, St Luke	10.00am

St Fagan's Sunday 9.30 services are usually livestreamed at
www.facebook.com/stfagansaberdare

A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Next Sunday, 21st December at 6.30pm in St Fagan we have our annual carol service with music provided by the renowned Lewis Merthyr Brass Band.

Help please!

Today, Sunday Dec 14th, we are going to decorate the tree in St Fagan's after the morning service. If you can stay and help that would be most appreciated. Refreshments and a little treat provided for the workers!

Activities and events this week

Monday 15th December: Tea & Toast, St Fagan's Hall, 9.30-11.30am

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Concert, St James, 7pm

Saturday 20th December: Pantri Cariad, St Fagan's Hall, 2.30-3pm

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Mountain Ash & District Choral Society & guest appearance from Llwydcoed Primary, Wed 17 Dec, 7pm St James. Refreshments will be provided in the interval.

Tickets available from Sian Lucas 01685 872150

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

(ALSO AVAILABLE AS A FLYER)

Carols - 21st December, 4.30pm, St Lleurwg

Carols - 21st December, 6.30pm, St Fagan

Christingle - 24th December, 4pm, St Lleurwg

Crib Service - 24th December, 4pm, St Fagan

Midnight Mass - 24th December, 6pm, St Winifred

Midnight Mass - 24th December, 11.15pm, St Lleurwg

Midnight Mass - 24th December, 11.15pm, St Fagan

Christmas Day - 9am St James, 10am St Fagan,
10am St Luke

Advance Notice

On Sunday 28th December there will be a united Ministry Area Eucharist in St Fagan's at 10.30am. There are no other services that day.

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

for birthday memories of Menna Thomas

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 15 th December	Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a Psalm 25.4-10, Matthew 21.23-27	All taking part in school carol services
Tuesday 16 th December	Zephaniah 3.1, 2, 9-13, Psalm 34.1-8, 15-22, Matthew 21.28-32	All who work in church communications
Wednesday 17 th December	<i>O Wisdom!</i> Genesis 49.2, 8-10, Psalm 72.1-8, Matthew 1.1-7, 17	All refugees
Thursday 18 th December	<i>O Adonai!</i> Jeremiah 23.5-8, Psalm 72.11-20, Matthew 1.18-25	All coastguards and RNLI crew
Friday 19 th December	<i>O Root of Jesse!</i> Judges 13.2-7, 24, 25, Psalm 71.1-8, Luke 1.5-25	Our local MP, MS and councillors
Saturday 20 th December	<i>O Key of David!</i> Isaiah 7.10-14, Psalm 24, Luke 1.26-38	Lesson readers and intercessors
Next Sunday		
Sunday 21 st December	<i>Advent 4</i> Isaiah 7.10-16, Psalm 80.1-7, [17-19] Romans 1.1-7, Matthew 1.18-25	Our ministry area and its people

For your prayers

We pray for all who need our prayers:

Angela, Jeanette, Melanie, John, Donna, Dave, Alison L., Nick, Perry, Lucy, Alun, Kelly

We also pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed and for those whose anniversary of death occurs this coming week

Jean Milton (17th), Shirley Hope (20th)

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 35: 1-10

Following an oracle of the destruction of the nations, the prophet promises restoration of the Promised Land, and the joyful return of the exiles to Jerusalem.

James 5: 7-10

James exhorts his readers to wait patiently for the Day of the Lord. Though they are suffering now, and are anxious for the restoration of the Kingdom, they must wait a little longer. Nevertheless, the time is near.

Matthew 11: 2-11

John the Baptist has been arrested and imprisoned. Discouraged and in doubt, he sends messengers to ask Jesus: "Are you the one?"

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