



**Newsletter for the week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> Jan - issue 3 of 2026**

**Midweek services**

<b>Day &amp; Church</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan, St James	9.30am
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan, St Elvan	1.05pm
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan, St Winifred	2.00pm
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan, St Fagan	9.30am
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan, St Lleurwg	10.30am
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan, St Luke	10.00am
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan, St John	11.00am

**Next Sunday's Services – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

<b>Church</b>	<b>Service/Time</b>
St James	Service of the Word, 8.30am
St John	Eucharist, 9.00am
St Matthew	Service of the Word, 10.00am
St Fagan	Eucharist 9.30am
St Lleurwg	Eucharist, 9.30am
St Elvan	Eucharist, 11.00am
St Winifred	Eucharist, 11.00am
St Luke	Eucharist and Baptism, 11.00am

St Fagan's Sunday 9.30 services are usually livestreamed at  
[www.facebook.com/stfagansaberdare](https://www.facebook.com/stfagansaberdare)

## **Ministry Area activities and events this week**

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Tea & Toast 9.30-11.30am, St Fagan's Hall

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January

Free Jewellery & Beading Group 10.30am-12.00pm, St Elvan

Free Storytime & Play 10.30-11.30am, St Elvan

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January

Mothers' Union Corporate Communion 10.30-11.15am, St Lleurwg

Mothers' Union Meeting 11.30-12.30pm, St Lleurwg

Sgwrs Gymraeg (Welsh Conversation) 11.30am-12.30pm, St Elvan

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

Highly Strung Ukulele Group 10.30am-12.00pm, St Elvan

Caffi Cinio 1.00-2.00pm, St Fagan's Hall

Fr Hywel's Licensing service 7.00pm, St Elvan

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January

Crafty Bees Arts & Crafts Group 11.00am-1.00pm, St Elvan

British Sign Language Classes 2.00pm-4.00pm, St Lleurwg's Hall

Speakeasy Jazz Night 7.00-9.00pm, St Elvan

### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January

Pantri Cariad 2.30-3.00pm, St Fagan's Hall

## **Future Ministry Area activities and events**

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January

Pints with Aquinas: Quiz & Social evening 7.00-9.00pm, St Elvan's

### Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Free Meet the Artist & Open Painting Workshop 11.00am-1.00pm, St Elvan's

## **Further information**

### **New Year, New Look!**

We are starting 2026 with a new look newsletter printed on pink paper and with a new font to allow greater accessibility for anyone with a reading challenge. There is also a new liturgical sheet on yellow paper for the readings, psalm, collect and post communion prayer for the Eucharist as well as prayer requests, readings for the coming week and prayer intentions.

We are making the changes to reflect our unity as Cynon Uchaf Ministry Area, to better keep the wider public informed and it's always nice to know what other members of the family are doing!

In addition, we are now using a new calendar system on the Church Suite platform to record and maintain all services and events and the rule is "if it's not in Church Suite, it's not happening"! So, if you have anything to be put in the weekly newsletter, please speak to your Ministry Area Council Representative or Peta to ensure it's also included in Church Suite if that's required. We aim to print on a Friday afternoon ready for the Sunday services so the deadline for news items is Thursday each week. Advance notice of things further ahead is welcome.

### **Caffi Cinio**

Caffi Cinio meets fortnightly in St Fagan's Hall, 1pm. There is a lovely two course meal to enjoy plus fellowship and friendship. The next lunch is on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please call Ann Baker: 07879 773222 to book your meal.

### **Pints with Aquinas**

We have a new quiz and social evening starting on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm in St Elvan's. If you want to exercise your "little grey cells" whilst enjoying an evening out, come along and bring your friends.

## **Exciting News!**

We have been busy planning two new services, one being for our younger people, which are due to be launched in February/March. We're still ironing out the details so look out for updates in future editions of the newsletter.

### **Do You Have Something to Share?**

If you're planning any event in your church, or just want something mentioned in the newsletter, let your Ministry Area Representative know or email Peta directly. Deadlines for submissions are by the end of Thursday each week.

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

for our Ministry Area

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