



**Llanddew Village Community &
St David's Church Newsletter
November/December 2023 &
January 2024**



News from Eglwys Dewi Sant

Sundays 9.30am: Sunday services take place at 9.30am each Sunday. Please join us – everyone is welcome!



Remembrance Sunday 12 November

At 9.30am, there will be a service in the church.

At 10.15am, there will be a short service of commemoration held outside the church at the War Memorial. Everyone is invited to attend.

Christmas services

Sunday 17 December: 9.30am Eucharist

Sunday 17 December: 3pm Christingle Children's Service (see below)

Sunday 24 December: 9.30am Eucharist

Sunday 24 December: 11pm Midnight Mass. Carols from 10.45

(Monday 25 December: No service in Llanddew – there is a 10am service at Llandefaelog church – all welcome!)

Sunday 31 December: 9.30am service, as usual



Christingle Sunday 17 December 3pm

Christingle family service followed by a visit from Father Christmas and a bring & share tea. The Christingle service will be child-focused as in previous years. Please bring visiting children, grandchildren and other relatives and friends!

An enjoyable way to begin Christmas.



*Nadolig Llawn a
Blwyddyn Newydd Dda*

Advent windows 2023

Windows in the village will be lit up consecutively throughout December, as in previous years, to help us to enter into the spirit of Advent and Christmas. Ann will email details nearer the time.

Thank you, Ann, for organising this community event again.

Cyhelir Gwasanaeth y Cymun yn Gymraeg yn Eglwys Dewi Sant Llanddew

am 12.00 bob dydd Llun cyntaf yn y mis.

Bydd y gwasanaeth nesaf ar Ddydd Llun Tachwedd 6fed.

Croeso cynnes i bawb. Dewch yn llu!

A Eucharistic service in Welsh in Saint David's Church Llanddew will be held at 12 noon every first Monday of the month. The next service is 6 Nov, and then 4 Dec. The first service in 2024 will be 5 February. (No service in January.) A warm welcome to everyone.

Fellowship: The group will meet at Meadow Breeze at 10am on Fri 1 Dec and then on Fri 26 Jan 2024.

Prayer Group: The group will meet at Llysycoed at 10am on Fri 17 Nov, Fri 15 Dec and Fri 12 Jan 2024.

***Please note:** The church will not be opened daily over the winter months. We shall let you know when it will re-open daily. If you wish to visit the church during the next few months, please request the key from one of the church wardens.*

Community News and Diary Dates

**Village Get-Together at the Village Hall
Friday 10 November at 6.30pm**

Come to this open evening at the Village Hall, to meet and chat with your neighbours. Bring your own drinks and snacks.



Lighting up Llanddew Saturday 2 December 6pm

The Christmas tree at Maes Maldwyn will be lit and this will be followed by drinks, mince pies and carols/music in the Village Hall, with a Christmas sale of work by the Sewing Group.



Food bank collection Saturday 9 December 10am-3pm

A Christmas collection for the Brecon Food Bank will take place on Saturday, 9 Dec. Please leave your donations in the church lychgate between 10am and 3pm. A list of items most needed will be circulated at a later date.

Book group -Village Hall 7.30pm: We shall meet to discuss the following books on Wed 8 November - The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy; Wed 13 December - The Last Dance by Victoria Hislop; Wed 10 January - Heat Wave by Penelope Lively; Wed 14 February - Brick Lane by Monica Ali.

Please join us, even if you haven't read the book. New members welcome.

2023 Pantomime: Tickets have been delivered to all those who are coming to see Cinderella on Saturday 27 January 2024. Please note that this year the matinee performance starts at 1pm.

Congratulations to our 100 Club winners:

First prize: Dot Holloway; Second prize: Viv Jones; Third prize - Bethia Bromley.

Congratulations

Ann Kinsey achieved first prize in the Novice class “A touch of elegance” with her table arrangement and also the People’s Choice award in the 3 Counties and South Wales Area Day in Theatr Brycheiniog on 1st November.



Senior Citizens lunch

The senior citizens’ lunch at the Old Ford was much enjoyed by the 22 villagers who attended. The meal was lovely and there was plenty of time for chatting.

Llanddew Community Page on Facebook. Remember to have a look at the Llanddew Community Page on Facebook. Thanks to those who maintain this page.

Events in the New Year: Something to look forward to – details to follow

- A village quiz hosted by Colette Evans
- A musical evening featuring local musicians
- Village bingo night

Community Council

YOUR COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOU

After being in post for only twelve months, our Clerk resigned earlier this year due to unforeseen circumstances. At the moment one of the Councillors is filling this role temporarily.

We now need your help to find a new Clerk.

It is not an onerous position as we only meet 4 times a year. The previous Clerk was employed to work for 10 hours per month at an annual salary of £1469. If you (or anyone else you know) would be able to take on this role, please contact Wynne Davies (Chair) on 01874 624325 or email: w471davies2@btinternet.com.

(The Clerk does not need to live in the community)

The new community council website is now up and running. This is the link you will need to use: <https://www.llanddewcommunitycouncil.co.uk/> Please do have a look!

At its last meeting, the Community Council reported to our local councillor (Cllr Iain McKintosh) a number of potholes in and around the village, if you know of any, please let me know and if possible take a photo and email to: annkinsey10@outlook.com

Llanddew Village Hall For general information contact either Mr Ian Kinsey (Chair) 624672 (email: iankinsey01@aol.com) or Rowena Akinyemi (Secretary) 409054 (email: rowena.akinyemi@gmail.com)

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