



## St Mary's Church Llanvair Discoed

As the festive season approaches (I know it is early...but!!) the Fundraising Committee and the PCC would like to be one of the first to wish you a Happy Christmas and to take this opportunity of thanking you for your continued support at our fundraising events.



### CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

5th December Family Service 10am

12th December Holy Eucharist 10 am

**19th December Carol Service 6pm (followed by mulled wine & mince pies yum!!)**

**CHRISTMAS DAY Holy Eucharist 10am**

26<sup>th</sup> December 10am Group service

2<sup>nd</sup> January Family Service 10am

**ALL WELCOME**

### **MONIES RAISED FOR THE CHURCH**

*Dear Friends: In the last few years, the people of the village have been remarkably generous to us in the course of our fundraising efforts. We are immensely grateful and, as many of you will know, we have been using these funds for the real upkeep of the Church (e.g., the Church wall, which was in a dangerous condition), as well as saving up for planned alterations to the interior to ensure, first, that the fabric remains in good condition (in particular, we have damp problems in mind) and, second, the Church provides the best kind of space for the wider community. Recently, however, we have appointed a new architect and — thankfully — have discovered that the necessary remedial work will not be as extensive as previously thought. Whilst we still need to raise funds, it does put us several tens of thousands of pounds closer to our goals. This is a huge blessing, given the current climate. In the light of this new information, we shall be meeting in December as a Church and a fundraising committee to clarify our exact structural needs and ministry needs for the medium term. As you can appreciate, this is very good news, as it means we are now in a much better position to spend more of our money and efforts on community outreach, and less on damp-proof courses; we will still need to continue our fundraising activities, but the focus will begin to shift, we believe, for the better. Thank you again for your on-going support for our events. With every blessing, Fr. Will*

**DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> CHRISTMAS EVENING AT COURT HOUSE...** from 7.30pm Jane & Peter Bonvoison will be opening their house to us for a festive evening with drinks & nibbles. Tickets will be £5 each and available in November from the fundraising team

**FESTIVE RAFFLE...** a super local sourced hamper and other great prizes will be available. Tickets will be available from Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> so even if you cannot make the night, perhaps you can buy some tickets!



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**UNIQUE CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS  
WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM  
THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE  
OR FROM THE WOODLANDS IN NOVEMBER  
10 cards for £5**



Thank you to everyone who was involved with our two events in May. The plant sale raised £402 and thanks to Heather and the tea/cake team we had a great day. The art/photo exhibition raised £489 and again was a great weekend. Finally a great evening was had at the Harvest Supper, thanks to Keith & his team for a great meal...we raised £280.

## CHRISTINGLE SERVICE 22nd DECEMBER AT 4PM

Families come join us for our Christingle Service. First brought to these shores by the Children's Society some years ago, Christingle has become a well-loved annual celebration of the Christmas message in Churches and villages up and down the country. It is a light-hearted service, designed with children and families in mind—with singing, stories, and even a few sweets!!

Come join us and hear the message of joy and hope this Christmas.



**All children & their helpers are invited to Jan's house on 21st at  
2.30pm to prepare for the service**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



CHRISTMAS EVENING AT THE COURT HOUSE (thanks to the Bonvoison's for this)	SATURDAY 11 <sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 7.30pm tickets £5 to include drinks & festive nibbles available in November
BURNS SUPPER AT THE WOODLANDS	SATURDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> OR 29 <sup>TH</sup> JAN (tbc)
DAY OUT WITH GWENT WILDLIFE	JUNE....details to be confirmed, but this will be a day event with Gwent Wildlife guide Roger.
QUEEN ELIZABETH DIAMOND JUBILEE 2012	JUNE 1/2/3/4 2012 we would like to celebrate this historical occasion with a series of village events, if you have any suggestions and/or would like to get involved please contact Sue Miller on 400124

If you would like to host a fundraising event or have ideas for a fundraising event please contact Sue Miller on 400124.  
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