



# St James' Church, Rudry

Walking with Jesus

Web site: [rudry.church](http://rudry.church)

St James, along with the other Bedwas, Machen and Michaelston-Y-Fedw Church In Wales churches, has responded to the Coronavirus emergency with the launch of **C.A.R.E.**

## Church Assistance Request in an Emergency



### DO YOU NEED HELP DURING THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK?

Five forms of help are available from CARE to all who are in need during this pandemic due to being elderly, vulnerable, in a high-risk category or unable to leave the house:

1. **Food Parcels** – delivery of free food and essential items
2. **Click & Collect food delivery** – collecting and delivering what you order online
3. **Prescription collection** – collecting and delivering your prescriptions
4. **A listening ear** – chatting with those who are home alone
5. **The support of the local vicar** – pastoral care for anyone who wishes to have it

CARE is a registered charity with robust procedures in place to protect you and our volunteers. Call 02921 880 212 Monday-Friday between 9:00am and 3:00pm. Or, use our website: [www.bmmr.church/coronavirus](http://www.bmmr.church/coronavirus)

PLEASE DON'T STRUGGLE ON YOUR OWN

## 72 VOLUNTEERS ALREADY

Friday 27 March was Day 5 of **CARE** having been set up. By then, we already had 72 people signed up to volunteer in some form or another (72!). In the first 4 days of CARE we have taken 57 calls for help.

To offer yourself as a volunteer, **please fill in this form**, but only do so if you are committed, as we expect demand to increase significantly in the coming weeks.

Here are the wonderful people stepping up as the volunteer Senior Leadership Team:

**Rev. Dean Aaron Roberts, Michaelston:** CARE Project Leader

**Mrs. Diane Brierley, Rudry:** Treasurer and Telephone Support Line Lead

**Mrs. Gillian Connolly, Machen:** Policies & Procedures

**Miss Siân Connolly, Machen:** Grants & Supplier Liaison

Well done all, and thank you! And thank you to all who have volunteered.

## FOOD HUB

CARE now has shelving, a cooler, a chest freezer, and the beginnings of an office to ensure smooth running and safe storage of the food. St. Thomas' Church in Trethomas is being turned into a food distribution hub, with equipment and storage being installed.

## SUPPLIES

Already, there are a number of partners officially on board with us: **Fareshare Cymru, The Co-op** and **Glanmors**. We are actively seeking out others who may be able to assist, either with food or other non-food essentials.

## DONATIONS

Anyone who would like to donate financially towards this work can do so by:

- Texting the word CORONAVIRUS and the amount to **700 85**. E.g. to donate £5, text **CORONAVIRUS 5**.
- Doing so online by clicking [here](#)

## SERVICES & EVENTS

Sunday services and all events at St James - including Lent Course, Youth Supper, Kidz Supper, Ladies that Brunch, Band of Brothers and Good Friday Children's Craft Service - are cancelled until further notice. Listing these makes one realise what an active faith community we have at St James 🤝.

## ONLINE MORNING PRAY

For anyone who would like to join in common prayer with others, each Sunday morning at 9am there will be Online Morning Prayer. **You can find details of how to log in here** Follow the instructions carefully and you shouldn't have any issues provided you have speakers (and the volume is turned up!), a microphone, and a camera. Alternatively, you may telephone into the conversation. Don't forget: clocks **spring forward tonight!** From all at St James, we wish everyone safe health, and are here to help if needed.