ST TEWDRIC'S TOWER NEEDS YOU

The Tower: Bishop Marshall had me built 1480-'82, and if you go up the 89 irregular steps you can admire the view from the top. This is worth seeing, for those who can face the exertion.

I hold a peal of six bells, tuned to A flat, and cast in Chepstow by one William Evans at his works in Welsh Street in 1765. Very likely metal from earlier bells went into them. They have their own messages cast into them; "Come let us ring for God and King", "Prosperity to this Parish", "Peace and good neighbourhood", "Wm Evans of Chepstow cast us all 1765", "Rich'd Lewis Churchwarden", "Edward Davies A: M: Prebendary of Llandaff. Vic: Laus Deo WE 1765".

On my outside southern face, I have an old and mighty sundial but it needs your help to get it back to its former glory. It is world-famous, and members of various sundial admiration societies come from afar to see the hours told in Greenwich Time [railway time] exclusively upon the one dial face.

I also have some very complicated but pretty stone windows that need fettling, and I am losing my figure. My lines need sharpening, and I have a few holes that need filling. My flag staff is feeling a little insecure but likes to display the seasons & key events.

Please will you help me get back to my former self so that I can keep an eye on you, Mathern and the local Community for the next 100 years.

I need nearly £200k to put me straight. The Church below has some limited designated funds & I believe Grants can be applied for, but I need your help to obtain these and need your contributions to match the Grants.

PLEASE HELP ME!

We are raising £5,000 toward the repair of the tower and to maintain the Grade 1 listed church for the loyal community in Mathern on the Welsh Coastal Path. Please donate and thank you for your support!

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