

# Llanfair

Words by Anthea York written to the Welsh hymn tune 'Llanfair' by R Williams  
on the occasion of The Stour Valley Singers visit to Llanfair Waterdine to join the

Llanfair Singers,  
31<sup>st</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2013

**Robert Williams** (1781 – 1821) was a blind basket weaver who lived on Anglesea and sang hymns at public occasions. He could write out a tune after hearing it just once and his manuscript, which is dated 1817 includes the tune 'Llanfair'.

We discovered that this tune  
Llanfair  
Has the name by which you're known.  
Llanfair  
Famous for its Waterdine;  
Llanfair  
But your singers also shine.  
Llanfair

We all know that 'Love Divine'  
Llanfair  
Fuels the 'Windmills of Your Mind'  
Llanfair  
And 'Deep Purple' dreams are made  
Llanfair  
By an 'Irish Blessing' prayed.  
Llanfair

East to west we made our ways;  
Llanfair  
'East meets west' the programme says.  
Llanfair  
We have come to sing your praise  
Llanfair  
And with thanks our voices raise.  
Llanfair