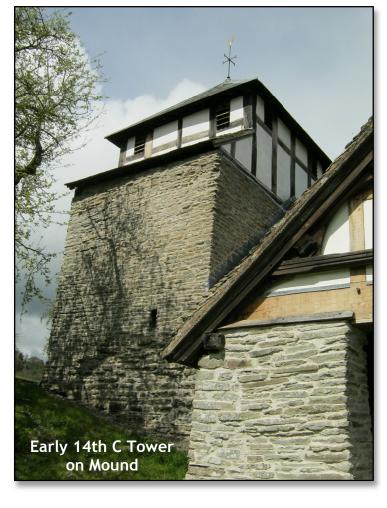
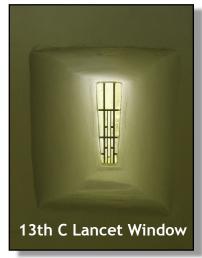
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The Magazine of the East Radnor Ministry Area
Incorporating The Beacon, The Messenger, Meeting Point
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#### St Michael's Cascob - a Study in Antiquity

Our church at Cascob backing onto the Radnor Forest is one of many around the Forest dedicated to St. Michael. The church dates from the 13th century. The nave and short chancel each have one 13th century north lancet window. They are divided by a simple 14th century oak screen. At the back of the church is a stone font and a fine bell tower with one bell, dated 1633.

The church stands in a large circular churchyard containing many specimen trees. The spectacular yew tree standing to the west of the church is between 1500 and 2000 years old. Its sister tree behind the church was blown over in the gales of October 1987. A copper beech was planted to celebrate the coronation of George VI. A lime tree was planted to celebrate the coronation of Elizabeth II. To celebrate the millennium we planted a yew.

How many of you can remember Bishop Benjamin Vaughan? For many years after his retirement as Bishop of Swansea & Brecon he made an annual visit to Cascob and always said he felt nearer to God in our churchyard than anywhere else.

A major restoration was carried out in 1895. Further work including re-roofing was done in 1969.

The Friends of Cascob Church was set up in 2005 and ran for 6 years. We achieved what we set out to do: restore the church to its former glory. We had large grants from Cadu, The Heritage Lottery Fund and The William Cadbury Trust as well as many smaller ones. We also raised funds by having concerts in the church, bluebell walks around Cascob and Horse Fun Rides over Litton Hill and through the Radnor Forest.

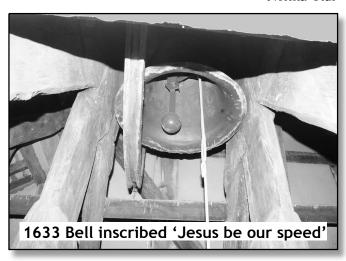
In the chancel hangs a tablet in appreciation of St. Michael's early 19th Century rector, William Jenkins Rees, his contribution to Welsh letters and his part in the revival of the Welsh National Eisteddford. He was St. Michael's

Photos by Phil and Laura

vicar for 50 years and is buried in the churchyard. (see page 23)

We have many visitors to St. Michael's, and by their remarks in our book, they find much peace and tranquility in our church and churchyard.

Norma Olds





Abracadabra charm on the north nave wall dated circa 1700 used at Cascob to deliver Elizabeth Lloyd from demon possession.



#### The Cover — St Michael

This stirring image of St Michael on the cover, from the south transept of Hereford Cathedral, shows the chief archangel slaying the old evil dragon. We remember Michaelmas at both Cascob and Beguildy on September 29th.

In the Book of Revelation (last book of the Bible) Michael leads God's armies against Satan's forces during the war in heaven when he defeats Satan. In Christian art he is depicted with a raised sword and a dragon underfoot. Christian sanctuaries to Michael appeared in the 4th Century, when he was first seen as a healing angel, and

then over time as a protector and the leader of the army of God against the forces of evil. In the 10 - 11th Centuries patronage to Michael peaked in popularity in Wales, and seven churches around the Radnor Forest are dedicated to this colourful saint. The legend is that the Welsh Dragon lies asleep deep in the Radnor Forest; hence our St Michael's churches are here to protect us against the dreadful day when he should awaken!

As Michael is an archangel he is shown with wings. He is celebrated in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

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#### Dear Friends,

It's strange to be looking forward to the arrival of September and to the Harvest Festivals that it will announce, to be considering the start of a new school year and a new session of parliament and all before I have even taken a summer holiday!!

The danger with looking too far ahead is that we become overwhelmed by the sheer quantity of work that needs to be done. The danger with lowering our eyes from the horizon and just getting on with it, is that life is so relentless that once we start we may never stop. No doubt many of you will have heard people say, "I don't have time for a day off." Lives are undeniably busy and modern technology means we can work all the hours God sends - but we shouldn't.

The Working Time Directive, sets limits on daily and weekly working hours, seeking to protect workers but the Bible has been teaching something similar for thousands of years.

Genesis 2:3 "God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all his work of creating."

The fourth commandment: "Six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God."

God tells the Israelites to take regular rest before he tells them not to kill or commit adultery, or steal or lie! Taking time to rest is a serious matter. Our bodies can be frail and we need to treat them with care, they need rest. Enjoying the beauty of nature and music, the thrill of sport and drama help us to rest. So I hope that all of you will have had an opportunity to rest a little this summer.

Yours in Christ,

Mark Beaton

#### **Faith Pictures**

Faith Pictures....a fresh way to talk about things that matter...

Faith Pictures is a 6 week course this autumn, which will help give us confidence to speak about what we believe. Each session includes a short video and is bound to lead to lively discussion.

Faith Pictures has three main features:

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Faith pictures won't patronize, but will help us to share what we have experienced of God.

Sessions in October and November - COMING SOON.

Why not come along – and bring someone with you.

#### **New Archbishop of Wales**

On the 5th - 7th September the Electoral College meets to elect the new Archbishop of Wales.

As dictated by tradition this always takes place in our very own deanery at Holy Trinity Llandrindod Wells.

Please remember all concerned in your prayers

#### **Next Edition of The Radnor**

Deadline for submitting material September 15.

The Radnor will be available after September 26th.

It is also available on-line at www.beaconhillbenefice.org.uk

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#### Love in the Midst of Chaos in Nigeria

In early July I had the privilege of going to the Anglican diocese of Jos in northern Nigeria to lead music workshops for the clergy, choir and schoolchildren. This was my third visit to Nigeria, and I was aware of some of the challenges that people face, but was not prepared for the harsh realities that I encountered. We have all read about the girls who were abducted from Chibok by Boko Haram – these girls were almost entirely Christian, and in the past few weeks 300 more Christian women have been abducted. As far as I know, this has not been reported.

There has been terrible violence and bloodshed in Jos in recent years – 200 killed in Christian-Muslim conflict, 500 villagers massacred by Fulani herdsmen, who are armed by Boko Haram suicide bombers in the markets, literally hundreds of churches burned in the north.

In the midst of this chaos, I found some remarkable stories of love and generosity. One priest has started a school for Muslim girls who have had no education, and this led to a project for their mothers, who are mostly widowed and have few resources. Another priest has started a school under the trees – and that same man has recently been to the north to encourage Christians who have suffered terrible losses at the hands of Boko Haram.

The Bishops's wife, Gloria, a most remarkable woman, has opened a school which now has 500 pupils, both Christian and Muslim. Because of AIDS and the violence, there are many orphans, and she and the Bishop care for almost 50 orphans in their own home. I heard the Bishop preach on the text "Love your enemies and do good to those who hate you" – a remarkable challenge in that context.

Please remember Bishop Benjamin, his wife Gloria and the Christians in Jos in your prayers.

Geoff Weaver

#### Mothers' Union News



Evancoyd with New Radnor Mothers' Union News.

Our Summer outing to Shobdon Church and Monkland Cheese was

great fun. We felt we should be dressed in Empire line dresses as we explored the church and learned a great deal about the process of cheese making, while enjoying delicious samples.

In July we hosted the Deanery Coffee Evening, thank you to all who helped to cater this fabulous event. Approximately 70 Deanery members enjoyed a fascinating talk by Rt Rev Rob and Sue Martin about life in Northern Kenya and the work of the MU. We were transported, inspired and humbled by the work and commitment of people in exceptionally challenging circumstances. Additionally we met at the home of Olwen Morris to share our favourite hymns and enjoy her kind hospitality and delicious afternoon tea. Thank you Olwen.

Dates: Thurs. 14th Sept. 2pm Holy Trinity Llandrindod, Deanery Festival, preacher, Rev Paul Keown. Please contact me if you are interested so we can arrange lifts.

Thurs. 28th Sept. 7:30pm The Rectory New Radnor, Young Mums - Chocolate cake and the challenges of parenting in the 21st C. We are always keen to welcome new members, so please speak to Kit Beaton, or any member for further information.

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#### Faith in Families Results

This year's collection in Beacon Hill Benefice raised £280 for families in our diocese. Thank you to all collection box holders who faithfully put coins in throughout the year.

Kath Harris



...I take it our local supermarket has a rather good offer on tinned peas at the moment!

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#### Group Premiere of Early Music at Bleddfa

The newly formed Radnor Forest Ensemble came with strings and voices to Bleddfa on August 4th for a delightful performance of sixteenth and seventeenth century music.

Those lovely interweavings and duets featured pieces by Henry Purcell, Antonio Vivaldi, John Dowland, and others – most fitting in Bleddfa's own thirteenth century church.

The Conductor Michael Neville treated us to a mini organ concert on Bleddfa's fine organ.



#### Moonshine Walkers Keep Raising Money

The Moonshine Walkers wish to thank all the people who supported us by attending our catering venture at Vedwllwyd Farm on Sunday July 2nd. It proved to be a busy and enjoyable time as members of Holrus Targa Rally stopped for refreshments.

Thank you to all the local people who supported us either by attending the event or by donating cakes and money.

Special thanks to the following: Mrs Jane Harris, Spar Knighton, Tom Pugh's Butchers, Radnor Hills Water and Felindre Village Hall Committee.

A grand total of £427 was raised for Cancer Care Charities. Of course none of this would have been possible without the fantastic help and generosity shown by Julie, Sarah and Daniel Bevan, who very kindly hosted the event.

#### **Midweek Holy Communions**

#### New Radnor Community Centre

Wednesday 13th September 11 am followed by Lunch at 12.15

Our worship starts at 11am and we start serving lunch at around 12:15. Everyone is most welcome to attend either or both and there is no need to book ahead – we have never yet run out of food and sent anyone home hungry!!! Oh yes and I should mention that our puddings are legendary!!

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#### Charlie Dore to Perform in Kington

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A respected songwriter, Charlie's own performances reflect her roots/acoustic background and are best described as 'contemporary eclectic folk'. She is one of a handful of UK songwriters to have success across many different music genres, having had her songs covered by big names such as George Harrison, Celine Dion, Sheena Easton and more. Charlie and Julian will be constantly swapping guitars, banjo, mandolin, ukulele, Indian harmonium and delicious harmonies, creating a much

bigger soundscape than would seem possible with just two players.

Mike Harding, well-known folk presenter, says of Charlie 'An amazingly astute, moving and intelligent songwriter...' a voice like Kate McGarrigle meets Dory Previn'; while the Guardian simply says 'File under Treasure'.

The Burton Hotel is on Mill Street, Kington, HR5 3BQ. There is car parking at the hotel and at adjacent car parks. Doors open at 7.30pm for 8pm start. Tickets are £10 in advance, from Bopsom's Emporium, Kington, the Kington Friday Markets (Peter Frost) or £12 on the door. For more information call 01544 231732, or see PLM productions on facebook.

\*\*Mary Tolhurst\*\*

#### Welsh



There are many local Welsh names for birds. Here are some garden birds. Do you know any other names for them? If you are new to Welsh, can you work out

the meaning of the adjectives?

aderyn - bird, adar - birds

robin goch - robin, or bron goch - redbreast

bron fraith - thrush (lit. speckled breast)

aderyn du - blackbird

titw tomos las - blue tit, tom tit

titw mawr - great tit

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#### St Mary's Gladestry Songs of Praise, "The Kingdom is like..."

On the most southerly side of the East Radnor Ministry Area lies Gladestry with its ancient church tucked in a valley surrounded by folding hills. It was the setting for the Songs of Praise on 30th July – the high point of summer worship for the enlarged group.

The afternoon began with a welcome at the porch as visitors came in from the mixture of showers and sunshine! Refreshments were on hand (provided by the village) and the spread was a delight to the eye. Our worship was heartfelt with a lovely selection of favourites such as, For all the Saints, Love Divine, the spiritual Go Down Moses; and Gladestry School children's favourite, Who's the King of the Jungle (with mime actions and grunts).

The address by Meinir Ronicle developed the theme of parables of the Kingdom.. Meinir stated that "great things



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may come from small beginnings". She drew inspiration from the readings explaining the finding of treasure in a field or a pearl, and the growth of a mustard seed to the wonder of change now coming to our churches and communities through welcoming the "unfamiliar". She told us of her trip to Amsterdam and learning about the finding of the diary of young Ann Frank and its effect on people around the world; such a marvellous example of the mustard seed.

Fittingly, the collection and donations totalling £344.35 were given to the charity that helps refugees endangered on the capsizing boats on Mediterranean Sea, the Migrants Offshore Aid Station based in Malta.

Mr M Johnson

We have just come home from the Songs of Praise at Gladestry Church, which was a really beautiful service, and as we exited the church we were greeted by this beautiful rainbow over Hergest Ridge (shown opposite).

We felt doubly blessed.

Jackie Smith

#### **Charity Thank You**

Just to say thank you to the ones who sponsored me for this year's Race For Life 2017 in the village of Evenjobb. I raised a total of £300 for Cancer Research. Next year I hope to raise money in Memory of my partner Dave Lloyd doing a different adventure. *Tracy Sterry, Evancoyd* 

#### God's Little Acre, Crug-y-byddar

The predicted weather forecast was for rain, and the task was scything and raking the meadow grasses in the Churchyard. On the day we were lucky, and the rain stayed off until a little fell after lunch. The appearance of the area has vastly improved over the last few years, and Tea, Coffee and Cake kindly provided by Bobby and Adrian Child helped us along.

Pam from Llangunllo also came and assisted the ten strong workforce from Caring for God's Acre, so that we completed the task, leaving a few patches of still flowering Common Knapweed, and the Wild Raspberries. There are now over 40 species recorded. Our next work day is scheduled for Tuesday 14 November, when we will complete the scything and tidying up for winter.

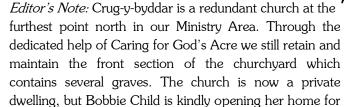
I filled 20 bags with good quality compost, which have all been claimed, and I would have done more but the scythers and rakers started filling up the remaining

compost bins. It has taken 2 years to make really good quality compost.

Many thanks to all the team who work hard in Churchyards all over Shropshire every week.

I am also hoping we will have a team to work in Norton Churchyard on Wednesday 27 September. Please support us.

Hilary Howcroft



the Macmillan Coffee morning.

#### ...a bit zany



# Ministry Area Songs of Praise at Gladestry

#### . . . more refined









Rainbow over Gladestry

Photos by Ann Dean, Hilary Howcroft, Jackie Smith











### Ladies Guild Cross the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct







#### St Cynllo's Patronal Festival Well and Truly Celebrated

A mongst those that we were delighted to welcome, our guests of honour were the wonderful Llanfair Singers, ably accompanied by the organist, Chris Green. It was grand to see the choir stalls full and hear the rafters ringing to their uplifting offerings which included the old favourite, *Calon Lan* and the appropriate *You Are The New Day* which chimed with St Cynllo as he set out preaching the Gospel all those years ago.

Whilst we know little about our saint it was amusing to think that he may have been the original Old King Cole, the jolly old soul. Certainly, as Mark Beaton pointed out, he must have had memorable qualities to bring Christianity to the people and villages of Wales who still commemorate him.

The congregation were also in good voice and even learnt a new hymn, *Praise Him on the Trumpet*, echoing Psalm 150.

We gave thanks not only for St Cynllo but also, on an evening full of song, for the huge range of music, which lifts our spirits and gives us such pleasure.

The service closed with two sung blessings followed by a generous table of goodies and celebratory glass of Sangria. Many thanks to all involved in making it such an enjoyable occasion.

Pam Livingstone-Lawn
Photos by Laura

#### Country Dance Lessons with Sue Harris and Bandamania

Starting September 13th in the afternoons between 2:00 – 3:30, Sue Harris with Bandamania will be giving country dance lessons in Whitton Community Hall. Lessons will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month September through to January. Entrance is free, with the lessons sponsored by Whitton Women's Institute as part of their support to the community through funds raised at their 2016 Summer BBQ event.

On January 20th a Ceilidh will then be

Sue Harris & Bandamania

held at Whitton Community Hall in the evening where all those who have had the lessons can help others to get up, dance and thoroughly enjoy the evening. Do join us, and again the classes are free of charge.

#### Ladies Guild Cross Pontcysyllte

on't look down!

Well not if you are of a nervous disposition that is!

We brave ladies (and gentlemen) took a narrow boat tour along the Llangollen canal and high up over the River Dee via the Pontcysyllte viaduct; the highest aqueduct in the world. It was brilliant, fantastic views on a beautiful sunny day made even more enjoyable with a delicious Welsh tea on board. We all so much enjoyed the outing, which naturally finished up with a pub meal. Thoroughly recommended.

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Sat Sept 2. Like to Hike Walk\* The Bryn from Pencelli via Talybont on Usk. Ascent 770m. Approx 11 miles. Energetic. Start: Car share Lakeside Llandrindod Wells 200 SO624 606 at 9.00am or Pencelli at 10am OL13 SO 091 250.

Wed. Sept 6. Pant Glas, Gwaithla, Burl Hill. Moderate 7.1 miles/11.4 km. Start: Exp 200 & 201 SO 181582, Red Lion Inn, Llanfihangel Nant Melan. OR

Sat Sept 9. Linear walk from Rhayader to Llandrindod Wells. Approx 11 miles moderate. Start: Catch X47 9.10am bus from Llandrindod Wells Railway Station 200 SO059 613.

**Wed Sept 13.** Felindre to Black Mountain. 7.5 miles/12.1 km Moderate. Start at Exp 214 SO 170811, Village Car Park.

Sat Sept 16. Corndon and Stapeley Hills. Moderate 8 miles/12.9 km, one steep climb. Start: Car share lay-by north of Crossgates at 8.50am at 200 SO 989655 or Exp 216 SO 302980 Mitchell's Fold at 10am.

**Wed Sept 20.** Wernygeufron Hill. Moderate 5.5 miles/8.8 km. Start: Exp 201 SO 254741, Knucklas Community Centre.

Sat 23. Linear Walk from Dernol to Rhayader. Approx 11 miles energetic. Meet 9.20am Rhayader Cattle Market 200 SN970 681, to catch X47 9.35 bus from Rhayader Car Park 200 SN970 681.

**Wed Sept 27.** East from Garreg-ddu Reservoir. 6 miles moderate, 420m ascent. Start: Exp 201 SO 295567, the Square Car Park, Kington.

Sat Sept 30. Brechfa Pool, Llandefalle, Mynydd Forest. Moderate 10 miles. Start: Exp 188 SO 118377, Right over bridge.

#### Tref-y-Clawdd W.I.

Our annual outing to Kerryvale Vineyard was most interesting and informative. After a walk round the Vineyard we were given a wide range of wines to taste and then it was followed by an excellent lunch. At the August meeting our member Jean Caulthard talked to us about her many visits to Denman College. It is a W.I. place of learning where you can study many topics and it has excellent accommodation. Many of us

expressed a wish to attend.

In September the title of our talk is Belle Donna -4-in-hand handbells. We meet at 7.30pm on the 1st Wednesday of every month at the Tower House Gallery. Please come and join us you would be very welcome. For more information 01547 520 739.

Pauline Parker

#### Lands End to John O'Groats

 $\bigcirc$  n 2nd September we will set off on the final leg of the 1200 mile walk from Lands End to John O'Groats, a mere 230 miles or so this time, from Glencoe to the top end of the mainland.

I know many of you have already dipped your hands deep for our previous efforts, in 2015 for Motor Neurone Disease Association and in 2016 for Alzheimer's Research, but I am hoping you can bear one more raid on your funds, this time for Hector's House a small charity, local to us in Bucks, which was set up in memory of Hector, who at age 18 took his own life. It seeks to raise awareness of suicide and encourage measures to prevent it, especially in young people. We did not know Hector, but we do know his family, hence this choice.

The donations page: www.justgiving.com/hectors-house. We have decided to use the page they have already as it costs money to add another just for us. We will be posting

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# Saint of the Month Deiniol Gwyn, Bishop of Bangor Fawr - 11th September



The Island of 20,000 Saints

In the year that my grandmother was born, William Gladstone was in Hawarden, moving his extensive library by wheelbarrow, across the road to some buildings near St Deiniol's Church. This is where St Deiniol's Residential Library was established (now unimaginatively renamed as Gladstone's Library) and where I first came across St Deiniol. Deiniol was born in the early 6th century. His grandfather was one of the Men of the North who migrated to north Wales after losing his lands to the Picts. His father established a monastery at Bangor-is-y-Coed and later Deiniol travelled west to found a Bangor of

his own. Bangor Fawr became a large and significant monastery and Deiniol was its first abbot and bishop. He is said to have attended, along with St Dyfrig and St David, the famous synod at Llanddewi Brefi in c.545. The monastery at Bangor was finally destroyed by the Vikings in 1073 and later the cathedral, still dedicated to St Deiniol, was built on the site. Even though he was such a significant leader of the Welsh Church, there are only a few churches dedicated to St Deiniol, including a couple in Brittany. He is said to have died in 584 and to have been buried on Bardsey Island, the "island of 20,000 saints".

#### Love Your Library

Earlier this year a group of local people formed the Kington Library Development Group to support our local library and help to secure its future. The first national Libraries Week, a week-long celebration of libraries is to take place this October, and the Kington library group is planning an event for Saturday 21st October at the Kington Library. "Love Your Library" day will include activities for children, and a special performance by actor Bill Bingham. To find out more email

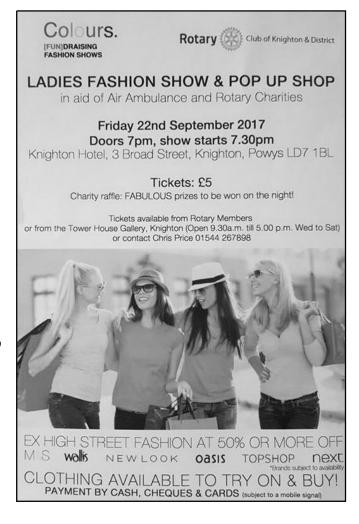
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All are welcome at our regular meetings on the second Wednesday of the month, 5.30 at the Oxford Arms, Kington. We want to ensure that as many people as possible are inspired to visit a library, discover what's on offer & encourage their friends & family to get involved.

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#### Food Bank

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#### A Quiet Hour of Contemplation

Thursday 7th September 10-11 am 1 Ystrad House, 1 Church Road, Knighton

Thursday 5th October 10-11 am at Mrs. Audrey Green's, Loughlin, George Rd, The Cwm.

#### Open the Book

We resume at Knighton Primary School on 7th September. We were pleased to be able to give Bibles to the school leavers at the end of last term. Thank you to all the churches and individuals who contributed.

#### Membership of Churches Together in Knighton and District

If you would like to become a member, to support the work and witness in our area, application forms may be obtained from the Secretary, Mrs Alison Thomas, preferably by email at alithomas1@gmail.com, and returned to her. There is no charge for membership.

#### **Bible Study Group**

Wednesdays, 10.30 am, 17 Millfield Close, Knighton, home of David Hinton 01547 528984 All are welcome from any church or none.

#### **Lunch Club for Seniors**

Mondays in the Methodist Church, Victoria Road, 12.30-2.00 (except bank holidays).

More volunteers are needed beforehand for helping with food preparation.

Contact Margaret Davis on 01547 528 154.



#### **Knighton Community Support**

Community Transport now owns a car and employs a driver to take residents on short local

trips: doctor, shopping, etc. There is a scale of charges depending on the distance: £3/£5/£8. Volunteers also take people on longer journeys to hospital appointments, and they use their own cars and charge for fuel.

They are building a team of **Befrienders** to support those who are restricted to their homes. There are 15 at present and they would like to encourage more. They would like to hear about people who would value a visit of an hour per week.

#### St Mary's Church, Pilleth

**Urgently requires a Treasurer** to manage the Church Funds. If you can help, please contact Mr Peter Hood, Churchwarden: 01547 560272 or Mrs Susan McLauchlan: 01544 260120.

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They run a **Tea Club** every first Friday of the month, in the Methodist Church, and run **Coffee Mornings** at the Community Centre. Community Support is funded from the proceeds of the Furniture Barn and the Community Charity Shop.

Contact: Louise Croad at 2 West Street, Knighton. 01547 520653

louise@knightoncs.co.uk OR kirsten@knightoncs.co.uk

John and Una Clements (of Knighton) will have been married 65 years on 22nd August. John is Reader Emeritus of the East Radnor Benefice and he and Una worship at St David's Whitton and St Edward's Knighton. Our warmest congratulations to them.



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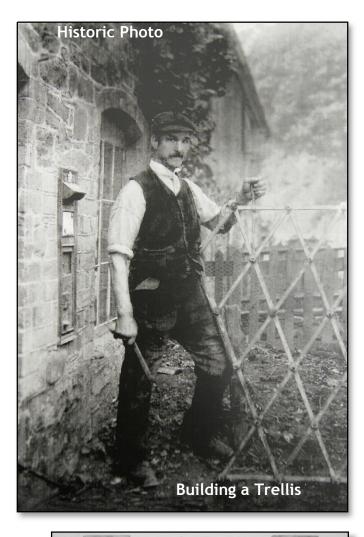


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#### **Old Times**

Libby Roe has identified people in last month's wedding photo. "It is the wedding of Arthur Williams and Mabel Niblett who was my Grandad's sister. She taught at New Radnor School before her marriage and they went on to have two children Reg and Dick. Reg ran the grocery store in New Radnor for many years and Dick's wife ran the haberdashery store in New Radnor. Also in the photo are Billy McKaig's Mum & Dad."

Thank you, Libby!



Building a Trellis – Probably taken by Billy McKaig, restored by Laurence Smith. Copy stored in the Radnorshire Museum in Llandrindod Wells.

#### William Jenkins Rees Memorial stone in chancel at Cascob Photo in Heyope Church

ees was the Rector Kof Cascob [1803-1855] and Heyope [1813-1854] as well. This photograph perhaps the only one of this noteworthy antiquarian and Welsh scholar. Rees helped to institute the national Eisteddfod and encourage the use of the Welsh language in the early 19th century.



The following account from 1826 reflects his dedication to both church and Welsh culture. "On Sunday, fourteenth September, after serving the church at Heyop in the morning, W.J. Rees rode to Kerry, where he slept that night. Early on Monday morning he set out on his fifty mile journey to Denbigh, so as to be in plenty of time for the Eisteddfod on Tuesday."

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#### Festivals Galore Includes Knucklas and District

have never known a time when so much has seemed to be happening worldwide as well as in the local area. Much of the news is gloomy and even threatening, but spirits have been greatly lifted by the fabulous, London-based World Athletics Championships and the Para Championships which preceded them There have been anniversaries too numerous to enumerate, but prominent amongst them have been the 500th year since the Protestant Reformation was launched and the 70th year since the independence and then the partition of the previously even larger India.

Meanwhile, there have been festivals galore round about, including our own successful Allotmemts Open Day, with

the ambitious Knucklas 17 celebrating ten years since the inception of the Castle Hill Community Land Project, still to come, as I write.

People continue to move into the village; a welcome, amongst others, to Roy Morris and family, from Beguildy, now settled in Glyndwr and to Lorraine Mohammed, from Aberdovey, living in the Heyope Road enclave.

Congratulations to Doris Williams of Glyndwr having reached the exalted age of 90 years!

Every sympathy to the family of Bet.Stevens from Heyope Road, recently buried in the Chapel Yard.

Robert Forbath

#### New Radnor Over 60's Club

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#### What's on at the W.I.s

More W.I. news on pages 17, 37 and 45.

#### Gardens and Cycles for Old Radnor W.I.

In June members enjoyed an evening tour of Hergest Croft Gardens, home to over 5,000 rare trees and shrubs. We were accompanied by Head Gardener, Stephen Lloyd, who started working in the gardens in 1980 and who has built up an encyclopaedic knowledge of the trees and shrubs; he also passed on tips for caring for fruit and veg as we toured the kitchen garden. Libby Hughes thanked Stephen for a very enjoyable evening.

For our July meeting we travelled to Llandrindod Wells and the National Cycle Museum which opened in 1997 and is home to over 260 cycles. Freda Davies (Job Share Curator) gave us a history of the 200 years of the bicycle with examples ranging from an 1817 Hobby Horse, invented and patented in Germany, to the latest carbon-fibre designs. The museum also contains many items of cycle memorabilia including a grave headstone. Anne Goodwin thanked Freda, and some members then walked around the lake prior to our meeting and cream tea in The Metropole Hotel.

Sue Lloyd

#### Food Bank Misunderstandings Dispelled at Felindre W.I.

The Knighton & District Food Bank was the topic of the guest speaker at the August meeting of Felindre WI. In the absence of the President, Rebe Brick welcomed Helen Anderson who is the Manager of the Food Bank, which covers East Radnor and parts of Shropshire. Helen explained to the members that the Food Bank was first formed five years ago by an initiative of Churches Together and its first venture was the introduction of the Lunch Club held every Monday in the Methodist Church. This has proved to be a very popular social event. She explained that they are an independent Food Bank and not members of the Trussell Trust. They are now a Registered Charity and accept referrals from Social Workers, the

Clergy and self-referrals. During the evening Helen was able to dispel any misunderstanding surrounding the users of the food bank. Joyce thanked Helen for her informative talk

The business meeting followed with the reading of the County Newsletter. Jayne Harris congratulated the members on their display at the Royal Welsh Show, when Kath Horn and Rebe Brick gained maximum points for their items. The 70th Anniversary event was discussed. Should you require further information please telephone 01547510077.

Rebe Brick

#### W.I. Organises Community Lunch At Llangunllo

On 5th June 40 Llangunllo residents enjoyed a delicious lunch in the village hall at a community event planned and served by Llangunllo WI members in connection with a national WI campaign to get people together in an attempt to minimise possible social isolation for older villagers. The occasion was a great success much appreciated by all the guests and Pam Livingstone-Lawn spoke for everyone in thanking the WI members for organising such a happy event.

When WI President Anne Newton asked for a show of hands of those who would like to attend another lunch in the autumn, there was unanimous approval and Anne promised that the date of the next lunch would be announced as soon as we had a definite date for the completion of the re-roofing of the hall scheduled to start in early autumn. So the last thought as contented guests made their way home was: "Here's to the next time."

Carwen Maggs

#### Supper Opportunities at Whitton W.I.

On September 5th a talk will be given by David Pickergill from Weobley Ash on the 'search for tasty, healthy food.' Guests are welcome at a cost of £2.50 to include supper.

Please note that the Whitton Womens Institute Harvest Supper will be held on 3rd November, 7 for 7.30 (change of date) We are expecting tickets to be sold very quickly so call us on  $01547\ 560188$  to reserve.

Thank you. Sue Baron

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#### Singapore's Garden City Comes to Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

In Burgin spoke to the Garden Club in July on the city state of Singapore, which he knows well. This is a man-made island on the equator in southern Malaysia, once governed by Britain. Its people are largely Chinese, Indian, Tamils and Malays.

The city likes to be known as the Garden City, lying on the Equator with the sun always nearly overhead at midday. It is heavily populated with 7,700 people per square kilometre.

The trees were carefully chosen to give shade, and equally importantly to be disliked by the termites. Trees are essential, not only for shade but to improve the quality of the air. A popular shade-giving tree is the deciduous annsana tree. Others are sea teak trees and Durio trees, while the Botanic Gardens grow extensive collections of trees and flowers.

Rain arrives most days and its water is carefully harvested. Fresh water has to be carefully stored where it will not be contaminated by sea water. The organisation that has gone into creating well used land where once there was sea is amazing. Much of the early design was the work of Sir Stanford Raffles who has left his stamp on this once British territory.

\*\*Rosemary Naylor\*\*

#### Radnor Valley Gardening Club Is Cooking

RVGC has not been asleep over the summer months, having enjoyed a wonderful outing to Stocktenbury Garden, participated in the New Radnor Carnival with a "Lucky Numbers" game and also enjoyed a series of Flower Arranging Classes in preparation for

The RVGC 37th Annual Show
On Saturday 16th September at 2.30pm
In the Community Hall, New Radnor.

If you have not already got your Show Schedule, they are available now from Esco's and Brown Hen Picture Framing in New Radnor.

Karan Peachey has very kindly donated a new Novice

Flower Arranger Cup. So who is going to be the first person to have their name engraved on it?

Prizes will also be presented by Holly Farrell, author of "Grow Your Own Cake". During the year we have been sampling some of Holly's recipes at our meetings and have included one of her cakes in the show schedule. Signed copies of her book will be available at the show. Entries are open to everyone, so do join in and take this opportunity to showcase your talents and have some fun.

RVGC for everyone in the Radnor Valley and beyond To join or if you want to know more ask. *Hermione Evans* 

Editor's Note: One of Holly Farrell's recipes on page 33.

#### Knighton and District Rotary Club

So we have started a new Rotary year and with it the start of Howard Goslyn's Presidency. We are looking forward to another year of social activities, friendship and enjoyable fundraising under his guidance. Last month we raised £100 from a "frugal" lunch at one of our member's homes and heard from John Thorgood of the Knighton Men's Shed about their good work in the community. We also heard from Dick Quinby of the Wansbeck Rotary Club who is cycling from John O'Groats to Lands End to raise money for two children's charities, one in Bogota and one in Ghana. You can read more about these charities on our

website. We also want to mention a forthcoming event - a Charity Clothes Show at the Knighton Hotel on September 22nd – always a great night. More details and tickets from Rotary member Christine Price on 01544 267898. Remember if you would like to get involved in our social and fundraising activities, as well as make new friends, you are very welcome to come to any of our Wednesday meetings.

For more details please contact members Norman Thorp on (01547) 529666 or Cathy Jones on (07813) 733240 email cathleenj2001@yahoo.co.uk

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Gladestry has been an Eco School for several years and has now gained the Platinum+ Award for its continuing work in this area.

The last few weeks of term were particularly interesting for our Class 2 pupils when all Year 5 and 6 pupils were given the opportunity to teach the class by working in small groups to research, plan and deliver lessons for a week. The results were excellent with the new teachers and their pupils gaining a great deal. Visitors to the school were impressed; it is an initiative that will certainly be repeated.

As in previous years we will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning; please join us on 29th September from 11am to noon (see page 37). We are also planning an open morning when you will be most welcome to come in to see our school at work.

Our pupils produce some brilliant work, which we are delighted to share with you. The piece below was written by Miles, a year 6 pupil. Sue Croose, School Secretary

#### The Ark: Stranded on the Scorched Earth

I remember it now, life on the Scorched Earth; it was horrible: heat burning me every single day and the howling of the beasts that roamed the punishing environment.

(The start of a fabulous story we didn't have room to print!)

#### Teme Valley Young Farmers Club News

Teme Valley YFC held their Annual General Meeting on July 20th where club officials were elected:

Bryan Thomas - President. Emma Swancott & Edward Harris - Vice Presidents. Jonny Rowlands - Chairman.

George Morgan & Tom Harris - Vice Chairmen. Kim Barnett – Secretary. Ella Harris - Treasurer.

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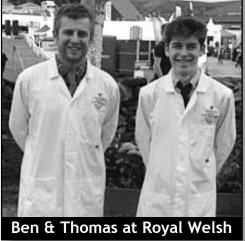
Kate has set up a Teme Valley YFC twitter account. To keep up to date with our club's news and events, follow @valleyteme on twitter.

Many members represented Radnorshire at the Royal Welsh Show this year, where Radnorshire came joint second overall. Five members competed in the stock judging competitions. Thomas Swancott and Ben Harris took part in the Suffolk sheep judging, with Thomas coming 3rd and Ben coming 10th. Ella Harris competed in the horse judging coming 4th. Jon Harris and George Morgan were part of the limousin cattle judging team, which saw both George and Jon come 7th. The Federation display came 6th. Ella Harris, Jess Barrett and Kim Barnett came 7th in the 'Design a Sport Kit' competition. Ella Harris and Ieuan Thomas were part of the Radnorshire sporting team. Ieuan played in the rugby team with Ella pulling tug of war for the county.

for the county.

Young farmers has allowed our members to gain new skills, express their talents and meet new people. We are an active club that is willing to give anything a go. We take part in a wide variety of events from stock judging to flower arranging, there is something to suit everyone. You do not even have to be from an

agricultural background. If





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Elizabeth Swancott



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Sunday Sept 24th 5:00pm GLADESTRY, St Mary

Friday Sept 29th tbc BEGUILDY, St Michael & All Angels

Sunday Oct 1st 2:30pm COLVA, St David

Friday Oct 6th 7:00pm WHITTON, St David

Saturday Oct 7th 7:00pm EVANCOYD, St Peter

Sunday Oct 8th 11:00am KNIGHTON, St Edward

Sunday Oct 8th 4:00pm HEYOPE, St David

Sunday Oct 8th 3:00pm CASCOB, St Michael & All Angels

Sunday Oct 8th 6:00pm NEW RADNOR, St Mary

Thursday Oct 12th 7:00pm BLEDDFA, St Mary Magdalene

Saturday Oct 14th 7:00pm LLANFIHANGEL NANT MELAN, St Michael

Sunday Oct 15th 6:30pm LLANGUNLLO, St Cynllo



#### Recipe - Beetroot Cake

Pairing beetroot with the robust flavourings of orange and cinnamon creates a moist and deliciously warming cake, perfect for a rainy afternoon. Makes a single layer cake. You will need a spring-form, round cake tin, 23cm/9in diameter, greased and base-lined.

#### Cake:

3 tsp baking powder 4 eggs, separated 1/4 tsp bicarbonate of soda 250g/8oz dark brown muscovado sugar

1 tsp ground cinnamon 400g/14oz peeled and coarsely grated beetroot

200ml/7fl oz vegetable oil or sunflower oil

50g/2oz icing sugar 1 tsp vanilla extract 1 orange, zest 1 orange, juice

300g/10oz plain flour

#### Icing:

#### Method

For the cake preheat the oven to 170°C,325°F/gas mark 3. Whisk the egg yolks and sugar until pale and smooth. Stir in the beetroot, oil, vanilla extract and orange

zest. Whisk the egg whites to soft peaks and set aside briefly while you sift the flour, baking powder, bicarbonate of soda and cinnamon into the batter and fold them in. Finally fold in the whisked egg whites. Pour into the prepared tin and smooth level. Bake for 45-50 minutes until a skewer comes out clean. Remove from the oven and leave in the tin for 10 minutes. Then turn out on to a wire rack to cool completely.

• For the icing, sift the sugar into a bowl and add the orange juice a little at a time (you will only need about a quarter of it), mixing until you have a smooth paste

To Serve: Drlzzle with the icing.

From Grow Your Own Cake: Recipes from Plot to Plate (£16.99), by Holly Farrell. Published by Frances Lincoln and available at all good bookshops or online.



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#### **Knighton News**

#### Fizz, Fun and Fashion at St. Edward's

The Fizz, Fun and Fashion event, followed by afternoon tea was a great success. Not only was it enjoyed by everyone but it also raised quite a substantial amount of money for the general fund at St. Edward's Church. Everyone was greeted at the door with a glass of fizz and then entertained on the piano by Paul Woodall until the Fashion Show started. The clothes were supplied by Messrs W.E. Price & Son, Knighton – a long established Knighton family, who kindly donated to everyone a 10% voucher to purchase items from their store up until the end of July. After the fashion show tea was served, with home

#### **Indoor Bowling**

An open invitation to come along to the Church Hall on a Monday afternoon to learn to bowl and have fun. You will be most welcome with lots of help on hand to assist you to learn a new skill. 2.00 pm every Monday.

#### Singing for Fun

New arrangements for the autumn – the first session will take place on 22nd September at 10.30 am in the Methodist Chapel. Further details will be given to you – including plans for a concert to raise funds for the food bank.

#### **Table Sale**

The next coffee morning and sale will take place on 16th September at 10.00 am in the Church Hall. Would you like a table to sell your own items? If so please contact 528260 or 520739 to reserve your space. The charge will be £5.00. All proceeds to St Edward's Church.

made cakes, scones and cream, bara brith and meringues, kindly given by the ladies of the Church. Prizes for the raffle had been kindly given by church members, and the draw was made by Angelique Williams, the County Councillor for Knighton and District.

Rebe, a member of the Management Committee, welcomed everyone and acted as compère for the fashion show. At the end of the afternoon Rebe thanked everyone for their generosity with their baking, time, support and friendship.

Rebe Brick.

#### Macmillan

The local committee will be taking part in the Biggest Coffee Morning event on 29th September (see ad on page 37). If you can donate items it would be appreciated. Enquiries to the chairlady, Mrs L George, on 520002.

#### Help needed

Have you some time to spare and would like to keep St Edward's Church looking pristine as usual. Our brass and flower arranging rota is short of helpers due to retirement of loyal members. If you would like to help us please phone 528260 (Jean Price) or speak to one of the wardens.

#### A Date for your Diary - October 14th

Geoff Weaver will be bringing a mixed choir from Kidderminster to Knighton and will give a concert in the Church Hall (early evening). Many of you missed their last visit, which was most enjoyable. Please keep the date free. More details later.

#### Flora and Fauna for September

This month we see shorter hours of daylight and although we hope for many warmer days to come we are aware of summer gently moving towards autumn. Each season provides much beauty, colour and interest, but for most of us, summer is the favourite: gorgeous scent, beautiful roses, sweet peas and the amazing colour of much-loved, old-fashioned perennials.

The Royal Welsh Show and Shrewsbury Flower Show provided a splendid showcase of everything for the gardener, magnificent displays of the best in vegetables and flowers, huge marquees with growers presenting up to the minute ideas in gardening design. Like fashion, they change from one year to another, in my opinion some quite over the top. The floral art marquees were full of

clever and exciting exhibits, lots of modern work which included manipulated leaves and other skills in wool work, all to interpret the given title. The judges' comments gave many useful tips, with some causing a stir amongst the viewers. On a smaller scale, the Clun Show was well attended with lots of lovely exhibits in the main tent. Well done to all who give so much of their time to provide an enjoyable day for all.

The seed and bulb catalogues have begun to arrive, showing off all the new plants for 2018. Garden centres have also started to sell spring bulbs. So the joy of gardening never ends, each season bringing much pleasure to us all.

Jean Price

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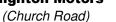
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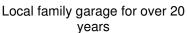
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Sometimes she rang the church bell and occasionally she played the organ, rather reluctantly!

After retiring to Llanfihangel, she moved into Brecon. Mary moved to a care home in Hampshire in 2008 to be close to her daughters, but still enjoyed keeping in touch and visiting Whitton. In the last 5 years she has enjoyed reading the Messenger magazine and especially enjoyed reading about Whitton in The Radnor. She died peacefully on April 19th surrounded by her family.

Sue Withers

#### Music, Birds and Wind Chimes for Llanfair Waterdine W.I.

After our successes in the Federation Show it is time to move on with other activities. There have been some excellent speakers. In June the speaker was a local resident, Dee Palmer – Pianist, composer, arranger, singer songwriter, author and internationally acclaimed musician who spoke to the members about the ups and downs of her extraordinary life. In July everyone had a chance to handle birds of prey brought by Rob Davies and Nicky Entwhistle. In August we created our own craft evening decorating walking sticks and making wind chimes to enter into the Llanfair Waterdine Wakes competition.

September brings Dave Holt from Midway Nurseries to answer gardening queries.

We are always delighted to welcome guests and, of course, new members, but if you see something that would interest you please come and meet us and share an evening. All our meetings begin at 7.00pm in the Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine on the first Friday of the month For further information contact Mary Morgan (01547 528429) or Ann Harroway (01547 528477).

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### **Norton Notes**

Hello from Norton as we all enjoy our summer break and wonderful gardens and scenery. One can never tire of gazing on our beautiful landscapes especially when the sun is shining.

Work with the Friends of St Andrew's Norton (FOSAN) is kicking in and we are all excited as we look forward to changes and developments ahead for our community and the Church. If you would like to become a "Friend" of St Andrew's please contact: John Refausse on 267048 or email jrefausse@yahoo.com

On becoming a "Friend" you will receive regular news on coming events in the community via email, or a letter through your door if you do not use email. Our "Friends of Norton, Radnorshire" facebook page is filling up with news of events and many old photos submitted from around the village. It is now forming a great archive of history and memories of Norton which is wonderful to see.

Our next main event for both Church and community is our Harvest Weekend, details of which are below. Do come and join in as we gather to appreciate all the good things we have.

Watch out for details in the October issue of "The Radnor" for the Autumn Craft Fair in November and our wonderful Christmas Celebration dates.

Lots to look forward to!

Sophia

#### **Harvest Weekend Celebrations**

Tarvest celebrations this year will take place at St Andrew's Church over the weekend from Friday 8th September to Sunday 10th September. The Friends of St Andrew's Norton are joining in with the congregation of St Andrew's to host a Flower Festival, Harvest celebration and "Bring and Share" Harvest lunch. The schedule is as follows:

**Friday 8th September** – anyone in the village (and beyond!) is invited to come and help decorate the Church for Harvest from 11.00 am onwards. The theme is "Late Summer/Harvest". Refreshments will be available.

Saturday 9th September – Harvest Flower Festival at St Andrew's Church from 10.30 am - 4.00 pm with a Coffee Morning between 10.30 am and 12 noon. This will include a musical celebration courtesy of Kathy O'Rourke and the Harvest singers!

**Sunday 10th September** – Harvest Festival Service at 11.00 am. A community service with contributions from The Friends of St Andrew's.

 $1.00 \ pm$  – "Bring and Share" Lunch at St Andrew's Church. Please bring a plate of food to share. There is no charge, but to keep tabs on numbers please collect a "sweet" or "savoury" ticket from:

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# A Winter Garden in the Height of Summer for Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

Apart from an ongoing list of possible gardens and nurseries to visit and a plant stall and raffle each month, there is often an excursion in the offing. This August it is to the Rococo Gardens at Painswick, Gloucs. To make these trips viable, friends and members of other allied groups are invited to join in the day.

The August meeting was a little sparsely attended but it was a scintillating evening with Marion Stainton from The Brooks, Pontrilas. She is quite prominent in gardening circles and runs a much-admired garden which is open to visitors. The subject of her illustrated talk was 'The Garden in Winter' – hardly what most people want to think about

at the height of summer, but she rather looks forward to the shapes and colours of the season, the jobs which can be done at that time of year, and as well as visits to other gardens. To illustrate her points, she showed some of the science behind it all, how one can be creative and several personal anecdotes all with an infectious enthusiasm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 11th September at 7.30 pm in Knucklas Community Centre. The speaker will be local gardener Phil Morris and his subject will be "Further Adventures in a Polytunnel". Non members welcome. Enquiries to 01547 529174.

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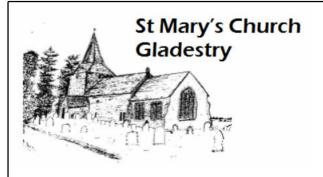




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# "High in the Sky" Gladestry Village Walk and Duck Race

On Saturday 29 July villagers and visitors gathered in the early afternoon for the annual village walk. Courtesy of Viv Lloyd's "shuttle" we ascended to Cwm Cesty, walked along the side of Cnwch Bank to Pant-Glas to the top of Caety Traylow hill (523 ft). The open spaces and views stretching some distance to Hundred House and beyond were exhilarating. It gave one a feeling of being high in the sky. It also had another feeling – that resembling a family outing - for all ages and some pets were present. Following this the annual Duck Race was watched by the crowd on the side of Gladestry Brook. Refreshments in the hall and announcements of the

winners rounded off the day. After expenses almost a thousand pounds was raised for the hall. Many thanks are due to all who gave time and effort to make this happen - a much-enjoyed community entertainment and fund raiser!

#### Gladestry 49 Club Winners

The winners in June and July were: Susan Lowe, Dot Brennan, David Bowen, Pat Holding, Viv Lloyd, Mark Beaton, John Milsom, John Milsom (again!), and Geoff Croose.

#### **Gladestry Church Maintenance**

Thank you to all who participated in the working party to keep the churchyard and quiet garden neat and tidy. In particular we are most grateful to Whitney Timber Saw Mill for donating oak timbers for maintenance in the church tower. It is being installed by village volunteers and we are pleased that they share with us a keen interest and dedication to this work. Many of our visitors, including those who attended the Songs of Praise, commented on St Mary's being a well cared for place.

Michael Johnson

## Evenjobb Village Hall

We have been quietly 'ticking over' in Evenjobb! In May in the hall we had a demonstration on how to use the newly installed defibrillators, provided for us by the Old Radnor Community Council. About 50 people attended – including friends from Kinnerton and Walton, who have also had defibrillators.

The interest in First Aid sparked off a discussion at the Village Hall Committee about a First Aid course, with the support of the Community Council. Look out for an announcement later in the year. (see page 31 for further training)

At the end of May, there was a delightful concert in aid of the church, in the hall by the Titley Ladies Choir (two of whom come from Evenjobb) and the Bracken Trust Choir. In June we held our annual BBQ. Everyone had a delicious enjoyable evening with guests and friends.

On the 27th of July, we were sad to be the venue of the funeral tea of John Gwatkin, who with his family and wife

Bridget, has been at the centre of village life for so many years. Earlier in the year, we said goodbye to another long-term resident Reg Baker, who had always supported the Hall, and his family gave a donation in his name.

Coming up, September 6th we have a Village Hall Committee meeting at 7:30pm to discuss future activities and events. We welcome as a representative from the Community Council, Roy Jones from Beggars Bush, who has just joined us. Two other members, Shirley Williams and Lisa Drake, who moved this year, are greatly missed, and we welcome friends or newcomers in the village who would be interested in seeing what we get up to! Come along to the September meeting, or to the AGM on October 10th at 7:30 (glass of wine included). Meanwhile, our next Social event is the Cider Evening (see the Ad on page 29) on September 29th.

Linda Ellams evenjobb@btinternet.com

Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers.
- Alfred Lord Tennyson

## 95th Birthday Party for Llangunllo W.I.



On June 13th Langunllo W.I. celebrated 95 years. We dressed in proper W.I. style for the occasion – hats and posh frocks!

A business meeting covered recent success at the County Show: 1st - staging and display, 2nd - craft, 3rd - photography and knitting. We planned to help alleviate loneliness in the community by resurrecting the popular Village Lunches, starting in July (see page 27), and also by providing an information leaflet for residents on where to get help when needed..

President Anne Newton recounted the history of Llangunllo W.I., as reflected in events diaries, photographs and documents on display. Like others, she had joined the

W.I. for friendship, little suspecting that she would be President on our 95th birthday.

Through times of austerity, hardship and success the Llangunllo W.I. had pulled together – supporting each other and the War Effort: lighting fires and drawing water. Present members are still related to them, continuing the tradition of enjoyable and constructive meetings.

We sang 'Jerusalem' with gusto as a tribute to the indomitable women of Llangunllo. It was hats off and a delicious tea to follow, enhanced by glasses of Prosecco.

Thanks went to hostess Isabel Morris. Cheers and thanks to all who helped, and here's to another successful 95 years of the Llangunllo W.I.

Jenny Williams

# Hampton Court Marvels for Llangunllo W.I.

The rain at Hampton Court beside the River Lugg made the gardens atmospheric, with scents of herbs, roses, lavender and lilies at every turn. Formal gardens, wild gardens, water gardens, kitchen gardens and parkland burst with loveliness. Fairy tale figures dotted the landscape, and made their homes in hollow trees. Isabel and I set off for the maze, both convinced we knew the secret for finding the tower. For us it took two minutes, but we bumped into a couple who had been lost in the maze for some time, and Isabel led them to safety crying, "Trust me, I'm a geographer," to their puzzled gratitude.

The beautiful old Manor House has suffered from overenthusiastic updaters in the last two hundred years, but is

# First Aid Training

The Old Radnor Community Council have arranged for some more first aid training with St John's. Please come along and learn vital techniques to complement our community defibrillators.

# Tuesday 12th Sept 7pm Walton Parish Hall.

Please contact Tracey Price (Clerk to the Council) on 01547 528575 or email - oldradnor.clerk@gmail.com

## **New Radnor Children's Playground**

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2nd Gerwyn & Jen Richards

3rd Chris Price

Gail Venables on behalf of The Trustees of New Radnor Children's Playground now in the hands of sympathetic owners. It dates back to Henry 4th, predating its more famous Surrey cousin by nearly 100 years. What a wonderful spot!

We stopped at the Angel in Kingsland for our supper on the way home, for a great meal at reasonable cost, the perfect way to end a lovely day.

Only one thing marred the event: in the Ticket Office at Hampton Court, all us oldies queued for our discount admission ticket, and the lady on the till, no spring chicken herself, automatically offered Isabel a Pensioners Discount to the great amusement of us all, well, almost all....

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Isabel Morris, Karen Edgar and Kath Poole dressed to celebrate

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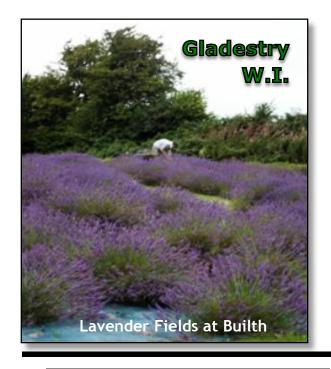
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#### The Green Woman at Felindre W.I.

Rhona Barnett welcomed Delegate Shirley Moorhouse from Tref-y-clawdd WI. Shirley recently attended the NFWI AGM at Liverpool. She gave a concise report on the meeting where the two very worthwhile resolutions were passed. 'The Plastic Soup: Keep microplastic fibres out of our oceans' passed with 98.9% and 'Alleviating Loneliness' passed with 69.3%. The Treasurer Julia Roberts informed the meeting that the total income has shown an increase of 5% and Denman's finances are significantly improved, thanks to the Saving Denman Appeal.

The meeting continued with guest speaker Val Littlehales

who spoke on trees; she was even dressed like a tree with the most fantastic head-dress. She would have looked very much at home at a Green Man Festival. Val gave a vivid insight into some trees' medicinal properties and if they were poisonous or not. Between each tree story Val would put on a different item of head wear and recite an amusing tale in a Shropshire dialect. It goes without saying, that we laughed for most of the evening.

The competition for a Dressed piece of Wood was won by Sue Woodall. If you would like to join Felindre WI – please ring 01547 510077 Rebe Brick

## Gladestry W.I. Retreat to the Lavender

The sun shone, it was warm and a good day to visit the Lavender Fields high above a valley near Builth. A rather unusual place to find lavender fields, yes. But it was beautiful and the views were stunning!

The owner, Nancy Durham, gave members of Gladestry WI and friends a talk about how the business came about. She and her husband had bought a small old farm high in the hills as a retreat from their busy lives in London. Nancy decided to grow lavender but it developed instead into a whole new way of life!

It was a glorious site, small but stunning. We viewed lavender being picked, watched the distillation process

and saw how it was bottled.

Then it was time for coffee and delicious home-made cakes! The small shop was full of enticing products made from the lavender oil, including chocolate!

Gladestry WI is having an evening of **Cheese and Wine** on Tuesday September 19th. The meeting is open to all, charge of £3, and will be held at Gladestry Village Hall at 7.30. There will be delicious refreshments and a raffle.

Please let Marlene Evans (01544 370646) know by 15th September if you would like to come.

Heather Barwick

# The Glories of a Summer Evening at Heyope

Heyope reflected on summer's bounty at the August Benefice Service. Symbols of all things bright and beautiful – flowers, birds, fruits, trees, sun and moon – were brought up. (The tree was a bonsai trained and tended by our Benefice Warden, Bob Williams.)

Congregation members read poems about each symbol and how they showed God's love: "The merest grass/ Alongside the roadside where we pass/ Tell of his love who sends the dew." (Christina Rossetti) A piece by Albert

Schweitzer explored our responsibilities: "For only if we have an ethical attitude ... about all living creatures does our humanity have deep roots and a rich flowering."

The word "glory" appeared on several fronts, including some of our fun and toe tapping hymns played by Judy North. In the photo Melia is teaching the four-year-old to clap with "You Shall go out with Joy". Fittingly we gathered round a table for nibbles and drinks and good company.

#### Gilbert and Sullivan at Whitton

Songs From The Shows was held in Whitton Community Hall on a Sunday afternoon in June to raise funds for St. David's Church at Whitton. The audience were entertained by the Hereford Gilbert and Sullivan Choral society who sang a wide range of well known songs from both the West End and Broadway shows as well as Gilbert and Sullivan songs.

Many of the choral society performed solos and duets to a very high standard and the audience gave them a rapturous applause after every song. Every spring the Hereford G & S Choral society perform an opera at the Courtyard Theatre in Hereford and we may organise a trip there if enough people are interested (more details to follow).

Every summer the G & S Society give a series of concerts in the community and we are grateful to Rosemary Heggie, late of Whitton, for sending them in our direction. Thanks also to those who provided tea, scones and Welsh cakes for the afternoon tea which followed. Colin Pugh

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# September 29 Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

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In the New Testament, in the book of Revelation, Michael leads God's armies to final victory over the forces of evil and in the Old Testament he is in the book of Daniel, defending

Israel against its enemies.

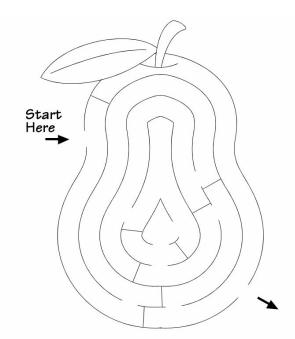
Gabriel is best known for his appearing to a young Jewish girl named Mary to tell her that she will give birth to Jesus.

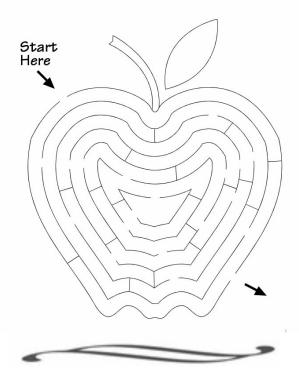
Raphael is in the Old Testament

story of Tobit where he guides Tobit's son Tobiah.

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A packed audience at Knucklas Community Centre was mesmerized by images speaking to us from ancient man. Because the cave is very sensitive, it is only opened for a few days a year and limited to scientists.



# **Knucklas Allotments Open Day**

Sunday oat the Open Day was an afternoon of gardens and food and music. The Allotments were full of colour with flowers, veg and ripe fruits. Some holders continued to tend their plots during the event.

People brought a wonderful assortment of cakes, so visitors lounged with cake and cider from Skyborry while a tent full of musicians entertained us. Children helped with raffle and produce stall but they also had some fun making stars and wreathes out of willow and flowers.

Kate brought her newly published book and her pottery in a King Arthur and Guinevere theme. One lucky woman won a jug made by Kate decorated with chickens and a tiny snail. Ron Bywater working his allotment

Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you.

- John Ruskin

It's the friends you can call up at 4 a.m. that matter. - Marlene Dietrich



Following our wonderful outing to Queenswood Country Park and the Gruffalo Trail back in early July we now return to the slightly less beautiful surroundings of the New Radnor Community Centre - less beautiful but just as much fun.

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15th July Bleddfa Darren Robert Wood &

Claire Karen Sanders

Rachael Weyman Jones

#### **Funerals**

13th June Knighton David Griffiths 20th June Gladestry Reg Farley

4th July (Hereford Crematorium) David John Brown

27th July Evancoyd John Gwatkin7th Aug Knighton Annie Price18th Aug Whitton Kathleen Powell

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10	Gravel 2.30, Kim Berry, Childrens Anniv.						
10	Gravel Anniversary						
10	New Radnor Baptist Church 3pm Rev Geoff Cable						
27	Maesyrhelem: 7pm Deb Peck (Harvest)						
27	Pound: 6.30pm with Methodists						
Thur 28	New Radnor Baptist Church 7pm Harvest Festival Rev Robert Thomas						
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# Dates For Your Diary

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Septem	nber		St David's Ladies Guild. Knucklas C C 7.30pm.								
Sat 2 Sun 3	Charlie Dore at Burton Hotel, 8pm, Kington. Colva PCC meeting after 2:30 service, St D's.		Ministry Area Team meeting, "Faith Pictures", the Vicarage Knighton 2:30-4pm.								
Mon 4	Mother's Union Archdeaconry Quiet Hour Holy Trinity Llandrindod Wells at 7pm.	Wed 20	Prayer Meeting at Gladestry Village Hall at 7pm followed by PCC meeting at 7:30pm.								
	Felindre Village Hall Committee, 8pm.	Thur 21	N. R. Prayer Meeting, St Mary's, 7:00pm.								
Tue 5	Evancoyd PCC meet, Evenjobb Vill Hall, 7pm		Folk Night, Castle Inn Knucklas, 7pm.								
	Whitton WI, Community Hall.	Fri 22	"Singing for Fun" Methodist Church, 1030am.								
5-7	Electoral College meets in Llandrindod to elect the new Archbishop of Wales	Sat 23	Wedding of Graham George and Louise Evans at Bleddfa Church – congratulations!								
Wed 6	Llangunllo Church Committee, Church, 7pm. Tref-y-Clawdd W.I., Tower H Gallery, 7.30pm	Sun 24	Pilleth Harvest Festival, St Mary's 3pm. Gladestry Harvest Festival, St Mary's 5pm.								
Thur 7	Beacon Hill Benefice open meeting to discuss		R. Valley Conservatives Sunday Lunch, 1pm.								
	The Radnor magazine.	Tue 26	Churches Together: 7.15pm Methodist Church.								
7-9	Diocesan Mission Festival, Brecon Cathedral	Tue 26	Craft Club, Knucklas Comm Cent 2-4pm.								
	from noon – open to all interested in Mission.		God's Little Acre at Norton churchyard.								
	Quiet Hr, 1 Ystrad House, Knighton 10-11am.	Thur 28	Mother's Union at The Rectory, New Radnor								
Fri 8	CAMEO Knighton Methodists, 2.30 pm		7.30pm.								
Sat 9	Poetry & Music, Knighton Comm Cent, 11-5.	Fri 29	Beguildy Harvest Festival, St Michael's, tbc.								
9 <i>-11</i>	h.Art Open Studios.		Macmillan Coffee Mornings, see page 37.								
9-10	Norton Church Flower Festival. Harvest Service on the 10th, 11am. Followed by "Bring and Share" Harvest Lunch.	Sat 30	Messy Church, New Radnor Community Centre 11:00am – 1pm.								
Mon 11	Teme Valley Gardeners' Club, Knucklas Comm										
	Cent, Phil Morris: "Poly Tunnel" 7.30pm.		Index of Advertisers								
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N.R. Over 60's to Wye Valley Centre, 9.45.

Cider Making, Evenjobb Village Hall, 7.30pm.

Gladestry W.I., Cheese and Wine Taster, Guest

RVGC Show, N.R. Comm Hall, 2.30pm

Evening, Gladestry Village Hall, 7.30pm.

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## **Ducks and Hogs for Beguildy**



Beguildy Church would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who came and contributed to making the duck race and hog roast on the 22nd of July such a great day

The community gathered at the Wharf Inn to enjoy some competitive duck racing down the Teme, which thanks to the downpour the day before actually had water.

Following the duck race there was a hog roast and ice creams enjoyed at the Wharf. The hog roast was prepared so well by George Williams. The warm evening allowed everyone to relax outside while the children tired themselves out playing in the pub garden

A big thank you to the Wharf for all the facilities and to John Bright for the use of his field.

The day was a great success in terms of fundraising for the Church; the cost of upkeep for the Church and graveyard continues to increase and your support at events like this is a huge help in meeting these costs and is much appreciated.

Phil Fourie

St Michael's, Beguildy - Mowing Rota: September: **William Barnett** with Terry Bufton, David Matthews, Chris Matthews & Cody Barnett.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE- All Deanery Conference Representatives & Church Treasurers

There will be Deanery Conference at Holy Trinity Llandrindod Wells Tuesday, 12th September, 7pm.

This meeting is open to all Deanery Conference Representatives and Church Treasurers. The purpose of the conference is to identify the fairest and most appropriate formula for allocating Ministry Share across the deanery, now that this task has been delegated to us by the diocese. We will not be able to determine what each Ministry Area or Benefice or Parish or Congregation will need to pay in 2018, but we might succeed in finding a

formula drawing on suggestions from the diocese and our own experience and local knowledge. For this reason it is important that representation at the meeting is as wide as possible. I would like to suggest that the barest minimum attendance should be the elected Deanery Conference representatives and at least one treasurer from each benefice. If individual church treasurers wish to attend, then that is excellent.

Mark Beaton (the rather nervous Area Dean who is clutching the poisoned chalice)

# St Michael's Llanfihangel Nantmelan News

#### St Michael's at New Radnor Carnival

This year St Michael's was well represented at New Radnor Carnival on the 12th August. Special congratulations to Ruth Hammond, who was carnival princess. Joining in with the carnival floats were The Harris Family, The Fron (Trolls) and The Powell Family, Caebanal (Minions).



#### **Annual Church Fete**

Held on Saturday 29th July, there was no time to rest after the Royal Welsh Show as the Villagers prepared for the fete co-ordinating the usual array of stalls, games and of course ... traditional tea and cake! The fete was opened by Chris Davies MP. Fortunately we were blessed with sunshine for the afternoon, as the community enjoyed a good get together. It was nice to welcome back regular visitors as well as meet some new faces. Thank you to everyone that helped in

Save the Date !!!

#### Friday November 17th 2017

St Michaels hosts a "Ladies Night" to include entertainment / demonstrations, together with copious amounts of cheese + wine!







Photos by Phil

# Llanfihangel Nantmelan at New Radnor Carnival

Photos by Helen Powell







New Radnor Churches				East Radnor Churches				Beacon Hill Churches					Readings		SEPT		
New Radnor	Llanfihangel NM	Gladestry	Evancoyd	Colva	Whitton	Pilleth	Norton	Knighton	Cascob	Llangunllo	Heyope	Bleddfa	Beguildy				Churches
9:15am MB Holy Communion	No Service	6:00pm MB Holy Communion	11:00am MB Morning Worship	2:30pm MB Evening Prayer	9:30am CH Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	9:30am AG Morning Worship	3:00pm MC Holy Communion	Invited to Service at Gravel Chapel	No Service	8:30pm MB Compline	11:00am MC Holy Communion	Matthew 16.21-28	Psalm 26.1-8	Jeremiah 15.15-21	September 3rd Trinity 12
6.00pm MB Celebration of Village Life	11:00am MB Baptisms	9:15am MB Morning Prayer	No Service	No Service	9:30am MC Morning Worship	No Service	11:00am MC Harvest Festival	9:30am PJC Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	4:00pm MB Evensong	No Service	No Service	Matthew 18.15-20	Psalm 119.33-40	Ezekiel 33.7-11	September 10th Trinity 13
9:15am MB Holy Communion	No Service	11:15am MB Holy Communion	3:00pm MB Holy Communion	No Service	9:30am JH Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	10:30am MC Family Service	No Service	No Service	No Service	No Service	11:00am tbc Morning Worship	Matthew 18.21-35	Psalm 103.[1-7]8-13	Genesis 50.15-21	September 17th Trinity 14
9:15am MB Morning Prayer	3:00pm MB Evening Prayer	5:00pm MB & HC Harvest Festival	11:00am MB Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	3:00pm MC Harvest Festival		10:30am MC, PJC Ordination 50th Anniversary Celebration for Rev Peter Cope at St Edward's Knighton					Matthew 20.1-16	Psalm 145.1-8	Jonah 3.10 - 4.11	September 24th Trinity 15	
9:15am MB Holy Communion	No Service	5:00pm MB Holy Communion	11:00am tbc Morning Worship	2:30pm MB Harvest Festival	9:30am MC Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	9:30am AG Holy Communion	3:00pm MC Baptism	No Service	No Service	8:30pm MB Compline	11:00am MB Baptism	Matthew 21.23-32	Psalm 25.1-9	Ezekiel 18.1-4, 25-32	October 1st Trinity 16