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The Sower - Truro Cathedral

The Magazine of the East Radnor Ministry Area

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Beguildy



Bryndraenog



Bryndraenog Gallery with 1636 carving



Radnorshire Arms dating from 1851



Shop and Post Office



The Vicarage, now a private home



Crug-y-byddar Church, now a private home

Beguildy is Steeped in Medieval History

The first reference (Historic Churches) to be found of Beguildy appears as 'Bugelte' in 1259 AD and in 1291 AD 'Bugeyllde' hence 'Shepherd's House'.

The date of the earliest church in the village is unknown but in the reference above, it was valued at "0£ 10-13 shillings and 4d". Saint Michael's contains several ancient artefacts including a rare screen and Green Man carving.

There are several old houses still standing and occupied in our community dated from medieval times. The most notable is Bryndraenog, described as one of the best preserved medieval houses in Wales. It was built around 1436 as a single storey building with base crucks and an open fire on the floor in the centre of the hall. Later, it was modified around 1636 with a second storey and a minstrel gallery. Bryndraenog was used as a courthouse and the gaol was at Pantycaragle, which unfortunately burnt down in 1930. One wall of the gaol is still there. Rumour has it that there is a tunnel between the two

houses with the standing stone marking half way.

On the Beacon Hill, above Middle Cwm-Y-Ringel, is a very deep, dry crater. This hole, known locally as Prodger's Hole, is believed to have been made by a meteorite impact. At Upper Cwm-Y-Ringel, a draining contractor allegedly found a meteorite stone.

Also on the beacon, on top of Warren Bank, are two mounds that are believed to be tumuli; however this has never been proven. There was also a lead mine which was worked up until the early 1900's.

Quarrying also took place at both Cwm-Y-Ringel and Wern-Y-Gyniog where flag stones were dug out and processed. A small community once lived there with a school, and the ruins can still be seen today.

A primitive Methodist chapel was built between the Brook House and the bridge and opened in August 1851. It was later washed away by the River Teme.

The first pub in Beguildy was The Oxford Arms (Church Cottage now.)

In 1822 Alexander Marple was the Innkeeper. It closed about 1850 and the new pub, which opened in 1851, was The Mason's Arms. This was an old house with a very low thatched roof. It had a stable one end and the other end was used as a pound for stray animals. It was also used as a grocery shop and sold beer. This was run by Mr Robert Eaton who used to walk to Shrewsbury fortnightly to bring back the tea, sugar and tobacco needed in the district. This journey took him around 18 hours.

By 1861 this building was called The Radnorshire Arms. Around 1936, a frame was built around the old building, the thatch was removed and a new slate roof was put on and the stable was converted into 'a tidy bar room'.

The building by the brook was originally a post office and then became a stable and storage for the pub. It later became a butchers shop after the present Post Office was built in 1895.

Abraham Thomas, Vicar of Beguildy in 1842-1893, probably did more for the community than any other vicar before or since by organising and raising money to build Crug-y-byddar church, two schools and Headmasters' houses. He kept a detailed diary of the building of the church and also kept records about preaching extensively around Radnorshire. When these were completed, he then planned and built the new vicarage. He had spent everything he had, including his wife's dowry of £5000 and was made bankrupt just before he died. Sadly we have lost our vicarage, our Vicar lives in Knighton and our schools are no more but we are fortunate to still have our village shop with a post office, pub and church.

Margaret Harris



The Oxford Arms, now Church Cottage

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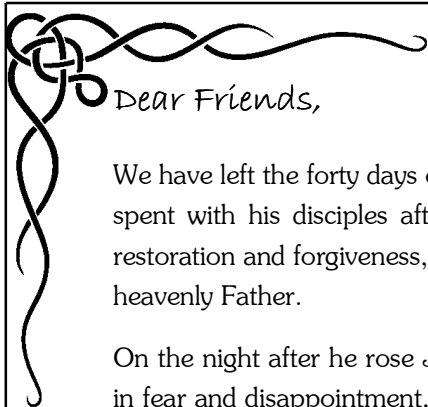


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Dear Friends,

We have left the forty days of Lent and have entered the forty days of Eastertide, those days that Jesus spent with his disciples after his Resurrection and before his Ascension. A period of reassurance, restoration and forgiveness, a time for human friendship as well as teaching before Jesus returns to his heavenly Father.

On the night after he rose Jesus brings his followers peace and hope while they are meeting together in fear and disappointment, by breathing on them his Holy Spirit. Then on the shores of Lake Galilee after a miraculous haul of fish, Peter is forgiven and restored after his agonising denial of Jesus. When Jesus is with his disciples remarkable things happen, but Jesus is returning to his Father in heaven and once again his disciples will be left bereft, drifting like a rudderless ship or so it seems.

On the night after he rose Jesus breathed his Spirit on them, but on the lake shore Jesus tells them to wait in Jerusalem until his Father sends them the gift he has promised – that same Holy Spirit! There seems to be something of an incubation taking place here. The disciples have received the Holy Spirit and it has calmed their fears, but not until Pentecost (ten days after Ascension and fifty days after Passover) does the Spirit manifest itself in full power and glory!

After his Ascension Jesus was not present physically but the astonishing events of Pentecost confirmed for the disciples that his Holy Spirit was most certainly present and that the Spirit carried all the authority and power of their Lord and friend. That Holy Spirit lives within us, that same authority and power that was within Jesus is within us and we will celebrate it at Pentecost on June 9th.

Mark Beaton

Cover - The Sower

The old image of a sower casting seed by hand recalls a famous parable told by Jesus in Matthew 13: "A sower went out to sow some seed . . ." Some seed falls on the path, some among thorns and some on prepared soil. The desire of every farmer is a rich harvest, but only the seeds on good soil produce a crop "yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

Later Jesus explains the parable. It is about grace. God sows his Word everywhere, giving grace to everyone. But not everyone responds. Some don't understand (the seed on the path). Birds eat the seeds. Some have many troubles (the seed in the thorns). Some are receptive (the good soil) and they bear much fruit in their hearts.

The window is at Truro Cathedral designed by Victorian architect, John Loughborough Pearson, at the same time that he was designing our own St David's, Heyope.

The sower is planting in hopeful spring with trees and blossoms in abundance. In the background is a glimpse of the church. The window speaks to us of both planting and faith.

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15th May 2019

Please keep your submissions to under 200 words.

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We have a joyous occasion in store
at St Edward's Knighton

Tuesday May 7th, 6.30pm

You are all most welcome to attend the induction of **Revd Petra Beresford-Webb** as priest-in-Charge to our Ministry Area. She will have special responsibility for St Edward's Knighton, St David's Whitton, St Michael's Cascob, St Andrew's Norton, St Mary's Pilleth, St Michael's Beguildy, and St David's Heyope.

Petra has been responsible for the Irfon and Wye Ministry Area with these churches:

Irfon Valley Benefice:

St Cadmarch's, Llangammarch
Wells
St Afan's, Llanfechan, Garth
Llanlleonfel, Garth
St Cannen's, Llanganten, Cilmeri.

Blaenau Irfon Benefice:

St James, Llanwrtyd
Eglys Oen Duw, Beulah
St David's, Tirabad (Closed)
St David's, Llanwrtyd.

Upper Wye Valley Benefice:

All Saints, Newbridge-on-Wye
St John the Divine, Cwmbach
Llechryd
St Afan's, Llanafan Fawr
Llanfihangel Brynpabuan.

Please pray for these churches as they face a vacancy, and pray for Petra as she begins her ministry with us.

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**Every Thursday
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Chris Martin, Annie England, Ruth Forrester, Revd John Hanna

We finished our pilot scheme at Easter and we have decided to continue up to August, with the new starting time of 12 noon to 2.00pm every Thursday.

We would like to say 'Thank You' to all those who have volunteered over the past three months, to those who have made cakes and to those who have given generous contributions.

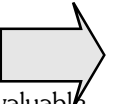
If you would like to support us by volunteering from time to time or by making cakes, please contact Annie England

meganengland@talktalk.net

Thank you on behalf of all the volunteers.

John Hanna

Downton Comes To Llangunllo



The children set the scene as busy servants and our guest minister, Leigh Spicer, as the master, explained the origins of Mothering Sunday. When widespread domestic service was common and many lived apart from their families it was decided that the fourth Sunday in Lent should be a day for home visits and a chance to worship at their mother church. America modified the idea, which we now celebrate as Mother's Day.

Looking at different sides of mothers we had 'Mother' from *Cider with*

Rosie by Laurie Lee, a disorderly and distracted mother with *flowers and song, squalor, frisks and gaieties, screams and hysterical rages* but with *unshaken fidelities*. Then we looked at a passage from Matthew where the mother of James and John asks for them to be seated each side of Christ in Heaven.

We soon saw that Mums, being only human, aren't always any more perfect than their children. This prompted humorous memories and the thought that mothers keep our

feet on the ground – an invaluable job! Finally we were asked to remember with gratitude just how challenging motherhood can be.

Listening to a CD of the hymn "For Mary Mother of Our Lord" with an image of the Madonna and Child before us brought us gently into our time of prayer.

The children distributed posies and, as ever, we had a time of refreshments and chat.

Pam Livingstone-Lawn

Epitaphs found on headstones

In London:

Here lies Ann Mann
Who lived an old maid
But died an old Mann.

In Hartscombe:

On the 22nd of June
Jonathan Fiddle
Went out of tune.

In Wimbourne:

John Penny
Reader if cash thou art in want of any
Dig four feet deep and thou wilt find a
penny.

In Pennsylvania:

Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake
Stepped on the gas
Instead of the brake.

In Maryland:

Here lies an Atheist
All dressed up, and no place to go.

The month of May is recognised by the Church as the month of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and traditionally associated with children and flowers.

This month all gardeners go into overdrive with the challenge of planning and growing vegetables and flowers for the months ahead. Greenhouses, windowsills and all available space is taken up with young seedlings eager to get out into the warmed up soil. The old local saying, "Wait for the May Fair to leave town" still seems true here as late May frosts still happen, ruining young plants. The scent of the hyacinths dominates the garden, soon to be replaced with magnificent scent from the lilac and magnolia trees. Clematis (Montana) will soon be spreading its froth of pink

and white flowers over walls, trellises and pergolas. Equally pretty, blue and white grape hyacinths are another delight. The sound of the honeybees visiting them is a welcome bonus. In a shady corner you will soon notice the nodding white bells of the dainty lily-of-the-valley with its perfume. All parts of this plant are toxic; do be careful.

Tulips, planted in late autumn, are now at their peak, many deliciously streaked and flecked in contrasting colours, ranging from white, yellow, rose through to red, purple and black. The tulip is now a favourite with most flower arrangers, with their interesting shape, long stems and exciting colours to choose from.

Jean Price

Flora and Fauna

Dawn Chorus Day - May 5th

This popular annual event is promoted by the Wildlife Trust for all nature lovers to gather at dawn to enjoy the song of their local birds. It is celebrated in more than 80 countries, even in parts of Antarctica. Join Silvia Cojocar for this early morning walk at Gilfach Reserve, near

Rhayader. Please bring binoculars, walking boots and waterproof clothing.

Saturday, May 4th, 5:15am - 8:00am
Come and enjoy the dawn concert.

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Domestic service



Dusting



The Gardener

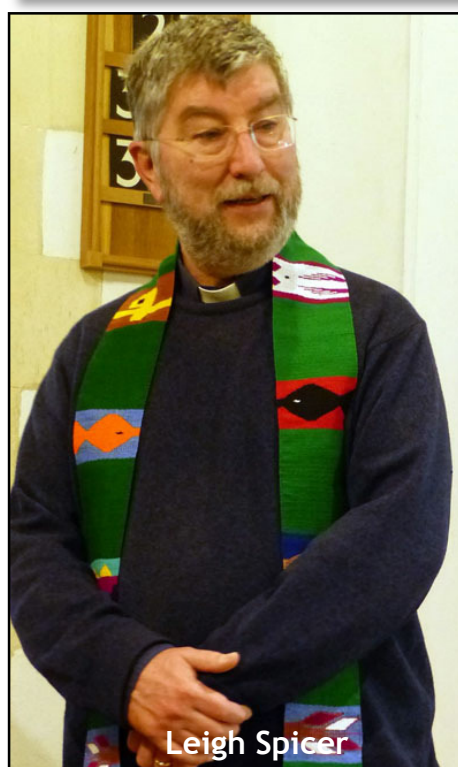


Delivering posies

Mothering Sunday Llangunllo



The Cleaner



Leigh Spicer



Messy Church at New Radnor



Messy Church at New Radnor on Saturday 23rd March was truly messy! The theme was '*Christ has no hands but ours*', St Teresa of Avila.

Sandwich challenge: The person behind is blindfolded and

provides the arms and hands to make the sandwich for the sighted person who holds their own arms behind their back and simply offers helpful instructions. It was delicious fun!



Poetry and Prose in Knighton

The Poetry & Prose afternoon was well attended and enjoyed by everyone. It was a typical spring afternoon with the sun streaming in through the windows of the Church Hall, while the readers presented their poems on the subject of spring which varied from *Snowdrops* composed by Debbie Jones from Llangunllo, to old favourites like Wordsworth's *Daffodils*

and *Home Thoughts From Abroad* by Robert Browning. It was a very good afternoon with no duplications.

Cakes and savouries were given and served by members of St. Edward's. David Minton was door steward and Enid Davies sold raffle tickets; the prizes were kindly donated and won by Val Cropper, Liz Petley, Gwen Tyler, Derek Price, Maureen Heale,

Audrey Green, Doreen Phillips and Freda Powell. Rebe Brick, a member of St. Edward's Management Team, thanked everyone for their fellowship, friendship and support, also stating that there would be a retiring collection for the sufferers of Cyclone Idea causing massive flooding in Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe.

Rebe Brick



Messy Church

Sat - Date to be announced

11am - 1pm

New Radnor Community Centre.

Families are invited from across the Ministry Area to join us for games, crafts, worship, food and fun.

Knighton Comm Events

Bowling Green Lane LD7 1DR

Tuesday 30 April - 11am

GARDENING TALK:

Propagation and potting up

and on

Sheila Taylor

Tuesday 7 May - 11am

GARDENING TALK:

Organic veg growing

Mick of Rhos Market Garden

Both at the Knighton Community Centre Tuesday Café

Come and pick up some tips while enjoying a coffee or tea and delicious cakes.

Browse the gardening books in the Library.

Saturday 11 May

BIG PLANT SALE

at the Community Market 9.30am - 12.30pm

Plus garden accessories and all our regular food, gift, craft and handmade goods stalls and CAFE with snacks and drinks

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Knighton Pilgrimage of Song 2019

Once again the Pilgrimage choir are gathering to present informal acts of worship in local churches celebrating Ascension-tide, to which you are welcomed. We are going to the following churches and hope to see you there.

Friday 31st May	1pm	St Michael and All Angels, Knill
	6pm	St Andrew's, Presteigne
Saturday 1st June	12.30	St David's, Heyope
	5.30pm	St Mary's, Llanfair Waterdine
Sunday 2nd June	11am	St Cuthbert's, Clungunford (Choral Eucharist)

Taekwondo Champ



Congratulations to Carlton Brick (raised in Felindre but now living in Scotland) who brought home three silver medals in the Veteran Category at the Taekwondo European Championships in Rimini.

1st Dan:

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Knighton, Cottage Flats	11.15 - 11.30
Knucklas, Glyndwr	11.45 - 12.00
Knucklas, Bridge House	12.05 - 12.25
Norton, Offas Green	13.30 - 13.45
Presteigne, Prestmede	14.00 - 14.10
Presteigne, Beddoes View	14.15 - 14.20

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Dentist's Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns
Contractor's Hymn – The Church's One Foundation
Tailor's Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy
Golfer's Hymn. – There's a Green Hill Far Away

Under Another Sun Is anybody out there?



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at

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Under Another Sun is a Project Link talk



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The winners in March were:

Heather Carrington

David and Ruth Bridson

James Heald

and rollover.

Michael Johnson

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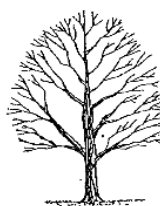
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Knucklas and District Notes

April

(Editor's note: accidentally missed this out last month)

Improvements in the quality of life to be found in this region continue with, amongst other things, a refurbished sports centre in Knighton, ongoing projects at Llandrindod lake, including the institution of a bird-watching hide, the provision of evenings for the game of curling at our busy community centre and, not least, a drop-in-centre

Thursday lunchtimes at St Edwards Church Hall, Knighton. This latter is, at present, attracting some twenty people per session; one or two people from our area have been involved in helping from the start. There are also constantly arts and craft exhibitions in the area as well as an increasing number of literary events. The local churches and chapels have weekday Lent groups on offer.

The weather around here has varied from a challenging early February to

record-breaking warm and sunny weather later in the month and really stormy weather as I write. But lambing has to proceed regardless.

March 20th is already the Spring Equinox with the bonus of longer days and the growing-season taking off. The Gardeners' Club has an enterprising programme including several visits to outstanding gardens. Meanwhile there is increasing activity in and around the allotments.

Robert Forbath

May

The early spring weather in the area has been erratic with a covering of snow well into April and some quite extreme rainfall. Although the disruption caused by our variable weather cannot be compared with the horrendous damage and disruption which has recently occurred in south eastern Africa and in parts of the U.S.A., we did end up with a deep pool of water and a small river

emanating from a blocked and damaged culvert and a blocked drain, between the bridge and the viaduct, so that the storm water from Bailey Hill etc. could not enter the stream. Four squads of men from the Council have since come to deal with the problem.

Meanwhile, there is a lot of other activity in and around Knucklas. Initiatives are being taken to make Castle Hill and the Allotments even

more family-friendly. Many organisations are holding their A.G.M.s around now; all want more local people to become involved. Knucklas artists are exhibiting at some significant venues in this area, and beyond.

The churches will soon be celebrating Ascension and Pentecost.

The world-class Hay Literary Festival is due to take place late in May.

Robert Forbath

Hearing Aid Service

The service, staffed by volunteers, offers free hearing aid maintenance.

Knighton - Knighton Comm

2nd Tues, 14 May

10.30 - 12.30

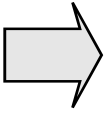
Presteigne - Youth Centre,

4th Tues, 28 May

13.30 - 15.30



The procession had taken the scenic route



Easter Experience

Easter Experience was a quiet, reflective time for Years 5 and 6 at Knighton Primary School. They arrived at St Edward's on April 8th to 'experience' the events of Easter week through stations organised by the Open the Book team.

They waved palms to welcome Jesus into Jerusalem and wrote their own hopes and dreams on paper

'cloaks'. We were deeply moved by their dreams for peace on earth, for an end to wars.

In small groups they reflected on the Servant King as he washed the disciples feet. They were invited to dip their fingers in water and make the sign of the cross on the palms of their hands as an expression of the importance of our own hands and feet to make a better world.

Moving on, they experienced a beautiful white representation of the Last Supper.

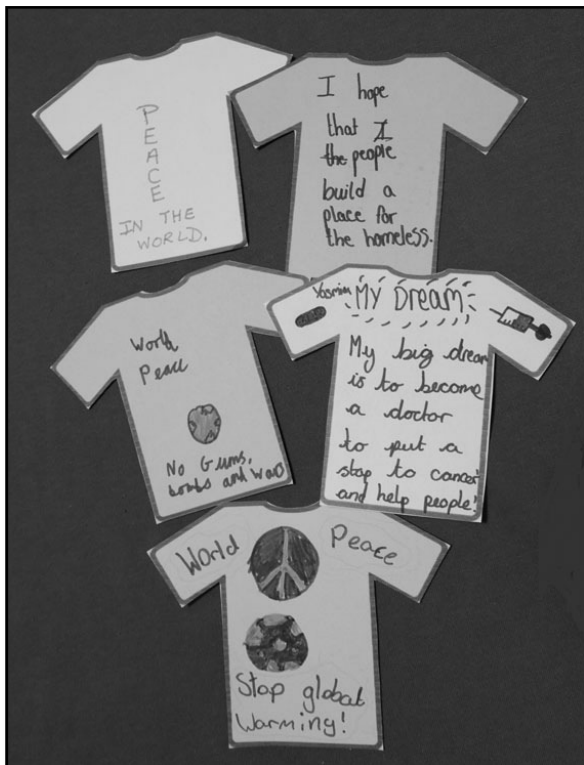
The children were no strangers to the loneliness

of Jesus' prayers in the Garden of Gethsemane; they too had felt lonely and afraid, and so they created plasticine images of things that reminded them of the dark times.

As they contemplated "sharing our sorrows" in the crucifixion they each held a red ribbon streaming from the cross; the ribbons represented suffering: loneliness, homelessness, refugees, bereavements.

The children then met at an Easter tomb to hear Rev Kevin Dare help them reflect on how those first women on Easter morning felt when they found it empty.

Laura Woodside-Jones



Hopes and Dreams



'Alone' in the Garden of Gethsemane

Bobby's Beat

Continuing series from the diary of one of our parishioners who served in the police.

Wild Swans Block Traffic

I was a young PC in 1960 and was sent to assist traffic flow at the foot of Wandsworth Bridge for the morning rush-hour. A swan landed on the bridge and soon its mate landed flapping its wings. A passing motorist stopped to help; he held one swan while I held the other, and we set them down on the foreshore. But the



one had emptied his gut all down the man's suit!

Early shift at Chichester, 1978, and I am crewed with Jane in one patrol car, while the other is manned by Mark and Eddie, two body building enthusiasts. We had already dealt with a loose horse, and were about to go for breakfast, when we were sent to assist Mark and Eddie. A swan had decided to walk from the canal to a lake, and had sat down for a rest in

the middle of a busy road junction, and refused to move. The Super, on his way into work, had arrived before us, but the swan didn't care for his rank either. As we approached, it dutifully got up and walked to the side of the road. "I don't believe it" was the cry from the two machos, and the Super laughed. I, being experienced in such things, picked it up and carried it back to the canal.

Bobby Fuzz

Easter Experience

**Knighton
School at
St Edward's**



Alone in the Garden of Gethsemane



Ali Thomas at the Crucifixion Reflection



Sue and Rob Fountain - Last Supper



The Empty Tomb



Nicky Payne washes Judith Dare's feet



Sue Baron, Chris Edwards, Maureen Heale



Knighton Mothering Sunday



Maureen Heale and Audrey Green

Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday Cross at Beguildy



Icon of Christ Blessing

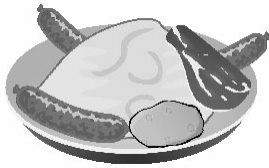
Cathedrals to Mark Moon Landing Anniversary

Space suits, meteorite fragments and a giant sculpture of the moon are to be displayed in one of the Church of England's ancient cathedrals as part of celebrations to mark the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing.

Ely Cathedral joins Lichfield Cathedral in mounting a spectacular display to mark the anniversary of the lunar landing, with Lichfield's nave floor due to be transformed into a huge visual reproduction of the Moon's surface.

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- Albert Einstein



The Lent Gatherings at Bleddfa challenged us with unusual ways to look at faith. We meditated on music by Shostokovich and sang a hymn version of Stan Getz's "Take Five". We contemplated works of art, a simple small boat sailing past Holy Island or a smiling infant in a red chair for what they told us about the Christian journey: silence, joy, simplicity.

We shared favourite Bible passages, not the Beatitudes as expected, but the temptation of Christ. Jesus was

Aspects of Faith in Lent

vulnerable; he could be tempted like all of us.

We tried writing our own psalm in a simple way: one line at a time. This section of our psalm has a line from each of us.

In the darkness you are our light,

In the cold you are our warmth.

*In the heat you are our cooling
spring of clear fresh water.*

You are all that we need.

*And we can only live forever grateful,
sincere and emboldened by your
nourishment.*

*Without your nourishment we are as
dry husks in the noonday,
and we will perish.*

*Let us not perish for want of your
cooling rain that descends like
your love from Heaven.*

Wash us in your purifying stream.

Finally in the session on Penitence we slowly read passages: *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.* (Psalm 51.10) We experienced mercy as we listened to a provocative John Taverner piece while gazing at the icon of Christ blessing shown on the left.

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Famine Lunch (soup & rolls)

Friday 17 May, Methodist Church.
12.00 noon - 1.30pm
Christian Aid video.

A collection in the Co-op. Volunteers
needed from each church to support
this vital cause.

The Way Ahead

22 May at 2.30pm in the Methodist
Church

You may have attended the meeting in
January to discuss a "Vision for the
Church's Future in Knighton". Now
that we have a new vicar at St
Edward's it is time to discuss this
further in a session led by Revd Kevin
Dare. Do come along and see what
ideas we can put in place to bring
people into God's Kingdom in all our
churches.

Following our AGM, look out for
details of proposed future Churches
Together services this summer:

Pentecost Service on 9 June

Service of Prayer for Healing on 17 July

Open the Book

A Service to Celebrate 20 Years of
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term.

*We are planning to present Bibles to
all the leavers from Knighton Primary
School this summer. We don't yet
have exact numbers, but there will be
at least 25 children and the Bibles will
cost at least £10 each. We would be
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Our April meeting was the last of our winter speakers and we now move on to the summer programme. Firstly on Saturday May 18th is the Plant Sale and Coffee Morning in the Community Centre, New Radnor from 10am onwards. Donations of quality plants are welcome. This year we are also having a gardening bookstall, so look out your unwanted gardening books. This is our only fundraising event and if it's successful it helps to keep our membership fees low and pay for good speakers.

The first summer visit is on Saturday June 1st. This is a visit to Ashwood Nurseries and John's Garden Open Day in Kingswinford. Leaving New Radnor in cars at 8.30. For more information Alison is the organiser of this trip, 01544 350746.



The Brain Tumour Charity is to be Ashwood's Charity of the Year 2019. Survival rate is only 14% and remains the biggest cancer killer of children. www.ashwoodnurseries.com

There may also be the opportunity to visit David Austin Roses, which isn't far away.

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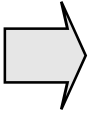
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Good Friday Walk of Witness

Good Friday in Knighton was marked by 37 Christians processing through town with a large wooden cross on a day of glorious weather.

They met at Brookside Square by the War Memorial to hear again the Easter story of Jesus' arrest in the garden and his trial in Jerusalem from the gospels as read by Revd Michael Humphreys and Judith Dare. Revd

Kevin Dare led prayers for all people with some faith or none.

The Knighton Silver Band led the singing of Easter favourites: "There is a Green Hill Far Away," "My Song is Love Unknown," and "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross."

They carried the cross slowly up the hill to the Clock Tower where Revd John Hanna led our prayers and Rebe Brick and Jean Price continued the

sad tale of Jesus' crucifixion. The Silver Band led us in "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Man of Sorrows."

From there we de-camped to the Knighton Methodist Church for hot cross buns. The annual event was organised by Churches Together, an ecumenical group including Baptists, Methodists, Anglicans and Catholics.

St Helen of Caernarvon

22nd May

You may have noticed a network of old trackways on the map with the name *Sarn Helen*. 'Sarn' means a causeway, such as a Roman road, but who was Helen?

She is most commonly identified with Elen Luyddog, a Welsh princess, who married Magnus Maximus, Emperor of Britain, Gaul and Spain, and whose fortress was at Segontium, near Caernarvon.

An ancient version of the story is told in *The Dream of Macsen Wledig* in *The Mabinogion*. Eventually Macsen (Maximus) travelled to Gaul with all his Roman army and settled in Trier for a while. The tradition is that, while there, they became friendly with St Martin of Tours and Elen (Helen) was

greatly interested in the new monastic way of life that Martin was creating. After Maximus's defeat and death in 388 AD, Elen returned home with her two sons, Peblig and Custennin.

There are churches dedicated to Helen and her sons in both north and south Wales, most notably Llanbeblig near Segontium, where a Roman altar can still be seen in the churchyard.

The Mabinogion credits Elen with the construction of the roads, now known as Sarn Helen, which were built to connect the various Roman forts up and down the Welsh coast. But here we remember

her for her Christian faith and the founding of possibly the earliest churches in Wales.

Rosemary Hanna



A section of Sarn Helen near Betws-y-Coed from Wikipedia

Welsh Words

Beth dych chi'n hoffi wneud?

What do you like to do?

gwau *knitting*

garddio *gardening*

coginio *cooking*

peintio *painting*

chwarae pêl-droed *playing football*

**God loves each of us as if
there were only one of
us.**

- Saint Augustine

Message from Rosemary Hanna

I would like to thank everyone for their kind messages, prayers, cards and flowers during my recovery from quite a tricky operation. There are still some issues to sort out, but I am well on the way to recovery, though still limited energy due to having ME as well. I would like to thank John for looking after me and doing all the cooking and dog walking.

With much love, Rosemary

Walk of Witness



Kevin Dare Carries the Cross



Knighton Silver Band



The Procession



Knighton Silver Band



Christians singing at the Clock Tower



John Hanna



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Judith Dare

Llanfair Waterdine W.I. News

Our April meeting was a great success. It was a visit to the Knighton Museum. Julia Roberts told us all about their work and gave us the opportunity to look at the many different items. What was nice was the opportunity to handle the items. She was on hand to talk about the displays. There is lots of information about the history of the local area. We then moved on to the Tower House

Gallery where John and Julia provided tea and homemade cake. A lovely evening.

Next month we are all going to join in and sing with Charlotte Woodford. If anyone would like to join us for a sing and supper we will be meeting in the Everest Hall on Friday 3rd May 7.00 pm. For further information contact Ann Harroway (01547 528477)

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Ashpenaz changed Daniel and his friends names. Look up **Daniel 1:7** to see what he changed them to.

Can you find these words from the book of Daniel in the wordsearch?
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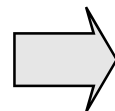
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NB. On Friday 10th the PHub will open at 7:30pm

Further information on our Facebook page: The Old School, New Radnor



Heart of Wales Line Trail Opens



The new Heart of Wales Line Trail opened on March 28th at Llandrindod Station. The trail is the brain child of Les Lumsden who doesn't own a car; he uses buses and trains. But it also took a lot of work from volunteers and local authorities. The new trail intersects most of the stations from Craven Arms to Llanelli (including Knighton, Knucklas, Llangunllo), making a walk using a train or bus possible.

After the opening by the "Great and the Good" we set off on three different walks: (1) town trail around Llandrindod, (2) twelve mile walk south to Cilmeri station, (3) five mile ramble to Penybont Station, described here:

Thirty-seven of us set off on a glorious sunny afternoon to the Lake in Llandrindod, where we ascended through the trees on steps built by volunteers, winding around the back

of a housing estate to cross a footbridge made the day before! We stopped to picnic on a hill with fine views of Cefnllys Castle. Then down to Shakey Bridge and a stop at the medieval Church. We followed above the winding Ithon River to arrive at Penybont. We loved it, and many plan to walk the whole trail.

www.heart-of-wales.co.uk/experiences

Laura Woodside-Jones



Ramblers

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Enquiries: 01547 530120

MAY

Wed 1. Hawthorn Hill, Black Hill, Pilleth. 7.5 miles.
Sat 4. A Circular Talgarth to Black Mountains via Pwll-y-Wrach nature reserve. 9 miles moderate

Mon 6. Moelfre City, Gors Lydan, Warren Hill and Tylcau wildlife reserve. 6 miles.

Tues 7. SHORT WALK. Hopesay, Burrow Hill Fort. 4 miles.

Wed 8. Ashford Bowdler and Tinkers Hill. 7 miles

Sat 11. Gwaunceste Hill – Giant's Grave - Glaschw. 9 miles.

Wed 15. Mytton Dingle, Shepherd's Rock, South Stiperstones. 7.5 miles.

Thurs 16. SHORT WALK. Knighton Circular. 3.8 miles.

Sat 18. Ystwyth valley linear. Minibus return. 12 miles.

Wed 22. Bucknell Wood and Hill. 7 miles. Bluebells!

Sat 25. Glyndwr's Way Circular from Machynlleth Clock Tower. 8 miles.

ALSO

An EASY walk past Dol-y-Mynach Dam, 4-5 miles.

Wed 29. Caersws – Newtown. Linear 8 miles. Newtown Railway Station. Train at 10.07 to Caersws.

Llangunllo Walking Festival 2019

Our fifth walking festival will be as usual on the first May Bank Holiday.

Enquiries to Jan Walmsley
susanscottage@btinternet.com
07813085211.

Saturday May 4th

Meet at 10 am at the Greyhound Pub, Llangunllo for lifts to Monaughty.

Walk from Monaughty to Pilleth, to the site of the battle where the Welsh conquered the English, then across road and up to Litton Hill, return to Monaughty. This walk is about 6 miles in length. There will be the option to join at Pilleth, if you prefer a shorter walk.

Sunday May 5th

Meet at 10 am at The Greyhound, Llangunllo, to walk to New Radnor, a walk of about 9 miles. Option to be dropped at Cascob if you want a shorter (probably 5 mile) walk.

Lifts will be available back to Llangunllo. We hope that the brewery in New Radnor will be open to greet thirsty walkers while they await their lifts.

Following this walk there will be a meal in The Greyhound to raise funds for the Friends of Llangunllo Church, 6pm, cost £6 for a two course meal. Fantastic value for money.

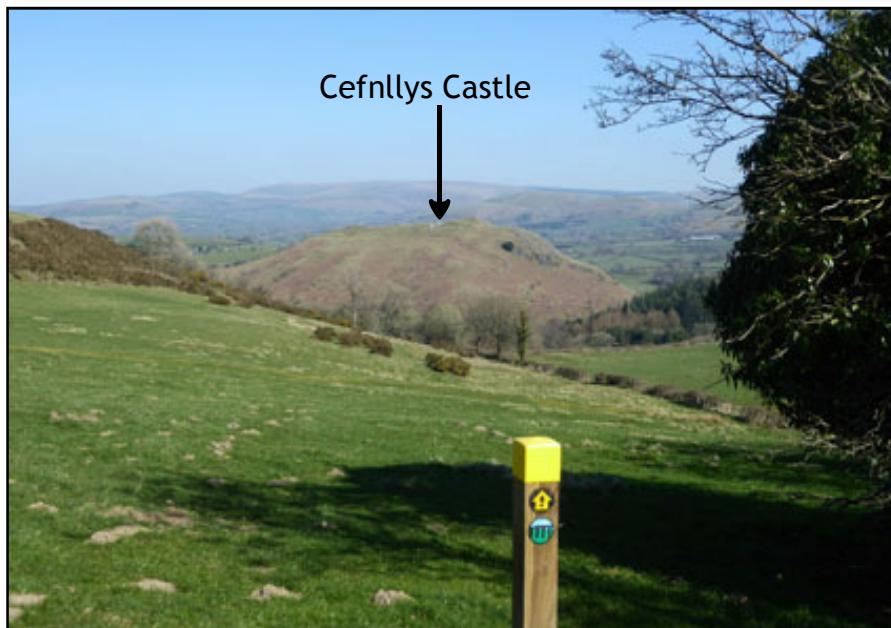


Monday 6th May

Possible Mystery Walk – more details at the weekend of walks.

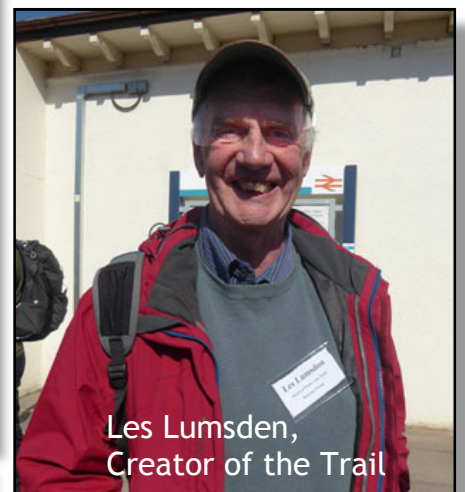


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Heart of Wales Line Trail



Les Lumsden,
Creator of the Trail



Shakey Bridge



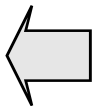
Radnor Valley Young Farmers Club



Teme Valley Y.F.C. Pancake Day



photos by Ella Harris



Radnor Valley YFC

After a busy two months practicing and performing our Entertainment Production we have finally got round to presenting our £1,565.40 we raised during the Christmas period by carol singing around the Radnor Valley. Carol singing for charity is something that we do every year and we always look forward to.

This year we chose to donate the money to three charities which were St Michaels Hospice, The Welsh Air Ambulance and Mid Powys Mind. The photo opposite shows the presentations.

Radnor Valley YFC has recently held an Easter Bingo as a club fundraiser,

which was well supported and raised sufficient funds for the club. The club is also looking forward for their new club clothing to arrive and are also starting to prepare for the biggest competition day of the year: Rally Day which will be held at Ackhill Farm, Presteigne on Saturday 8th June.

Photo Identification: Mary Griffiths from Mid Powys Mind is (left) Elliot Morris, Vice Chairman. In the middle is Lauren Morris, Chairman, presenting a cheque to Paddy Nugent from St Michaels Hospice. Right is Treasurer Ieuan Price presenting a cheque to Brian Tolley from the Welsh Air Ambulance.

Lauren Morris

Teme Valley YFC

Ella Harris receiving a First



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contact Chairman Avril Hoyle, 01547 529244
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Knighton and District Rotary Club

Last month kept us on our toes, which is how we like it. Along with our regular meetings at the Baron in Bucknell, the Milebrook House Hotel near Knighton and the Farmers Inn in Presteigne, we also involved ourselves in two Rotary Youth projects.

Rotary holds a large range of competitions including Young Musician, Young Chef and Young Photographer. This year we have been able to hold a Rotary Young Writer competition, won by year 9 student Emily Jones, at John Beddoes High School in Presteigne, as well as involve students in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards.

It is good to incorporate different aspects of Rotary's community

involvement into our programme, whether it be locally, nationally or internationally. To find out about what Rotary (and our Club) does, please feel free to visit us on a Wednesday lunch or evening - you will be very warmly welcomed. Contact Norman Thorp 01547 529666 or Cathy Jones 07813 733240 or you can just visit our Knighton Rotary website or Facebook page to find out more....

Also, we want to extend our thanks to anyone you know that donated on Saturday at the Community Market towards our Rotary Shelterbox fundraising. It was very much appreciated and it will go towards the purchase of a Shelterbox for the Cyclone Idai disaster.

Cathy Jones



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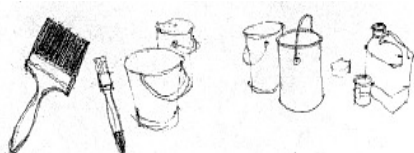
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Stowe & Stanage W.I. - Local Wartime Hospital



We welcomed another visitor to our April meeting, and are delighted that so far this year seven new members have joined us. A team of five will take part in the federation quiz in May; and we voted to support both resolutions put forward to the national annual meeting in June. These concern the decline in local bus services and 'don't fear the smear'. For our August outing we hope to visit Stokesay Court for a tour and afternoon tea.

Mari Fforde from Clyro gave a fascinating talk about the American camp established just outside Kington in 1940. Wounded soldiers from

Dunkirk were brought there by train and transported in jeeps to the camp. In 1943 two major hospitals were built on the site, capable of taking 1000 wounded each, initially from D-Day. Mari was compiling a record of the site, with the help of Heritage Lottery funding, and she was able to contact several survivors or their family in the USA. A particularly moving find was a film made by Clarke Morgan and sent to Mari by his daughter. It showed the hospital on the Kington site, celebrations in Hereford on VE day, and finally the American soldiers' journey home to New York by ship. This film is now kept at the Imperial War Museum.

The site later became a training post for the British army, then a Polish resettlement centre, and more recently social housing. Mari is currently working on the Hay Castle project and promised to return to talk to us about that.

We would be very pleased to welcome visitors to our next meeting on 7th May at 7pm in the Bar area of The Knighton Comm, when Julie Read will guide us in making cards. Please just turn up, or phone Alison Thomas (Secretary) on 01547 528678 or email: alithomas1@gmail.com

Ali Thomas

Felindre W.I. Are Stitched Up

A sewing theme ran through the April meeting of Felindre W.I. President Jayne Harris welcomed 10 members and secretary Rhona took the roll call "Biggest sewing disaster." These were: a mini skirt too short to wear, a tiered skirt with the middle tier sewn with the pattern upside down, a hot water bottle cover, "O" level course work lost on the school bus, a failed attempt to redesign a blouse.

Jayne then introduced the guest speaker, the Rev Leigh Spicer, who gave the members a fascinating talk

on his passion for collecting Sewing Kits which began when his mother gave him one when he left home at the age of 19. Later he joined the RAF and sometimes would stay in hotels where there would always be a small sewing kit in the room. Part of his collection were kits belonging to a soldier and a sailor which were called "Housewife". His most treasured was a 19th Century kit given to him by his mother-in-law; we could look but not touch.

Maggie thanked Leigh who then judged the competition "a thimble" – won by Rhona, Maggie 2nd and Rebe 3rd. Hostesses were Joyce and Margaret; winner of the Mystery Parcel was Gwlithyn Gough and flowers for President's table Kath Harris. For more details please ring 01547 510644.

Rebe Brick

Tref-y-Clawdd W.I. Makes Easter Cards

Our April meeting was a workshop to make an Easter Card with Julie Read, our president. She came with a huge array of card making materials and we were soon all very busy. We came away with some very impressive cards. We took photos of them for our scrapbook. Julia was thanked by our secretary,

Tina, for giving us a very entertaining evening.

The next meeting is on 1st May at the Tower House Gallery at 7.30 pm and is a talk by Andrew Wyton on The Edwardian Garden.

Come and join us.

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Pauline Parker

Chatterbrook W.I.

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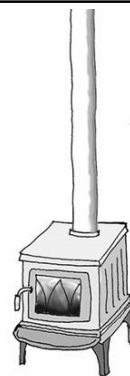
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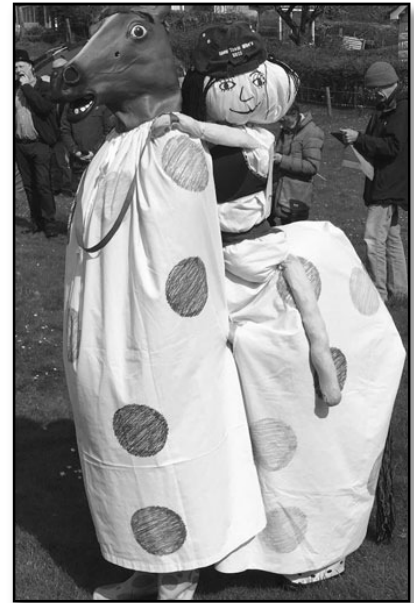
On 2nd April Llangunllo W.I. hosted an Open Evening in the village hall. Local residents were invited to a refresher course on the use of the defibrillator and also a hands-on session of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). The training was given by First Responders from Whitton, Helen and Ian Carter, supported by two Welsh Ambulance colleagues.

It was a very informative and constructive evening which helped the majority of participants to feel more confident of the procedures should the need ever arise. Our thanks go to the trainers for giving their time to

share their knowledge and skills with us.

The first Llangunllo 'Grand National' (page 45) took place in Llangunllo on Saturday 6 April. Championed by the Greyhound Inn, in aid of the Welsh Air Ambulance, 11 Pantomime type horses lined up to participate. Llangunllo W.I. were actively involved, represented by, at the head Karen Edgar and bringing up the rear Shirley Brown. Although our horse didn't win, it was a hugely well supported, fun event and our thanks to all involved in organising it.

Ai-Heng Byron & Shirley Brown



Winnie Will Win

Gladestry W.I. Hears From Cancer Research

Gladestry W.I. are very lucky to have had Julie George from Cancer Research UK as our speaker last month. Julie is Legacy Manager and travels throughout the UK delivering talks to large and small groups on how the organisation functions and how money raised is spent. Eighty pence in each pound raised goes toward research and

twenty pence covers staff and administrative costs.

An interesting point, and one that many of us were ignorant of was that Cancer Research UK's solicitors will write your Will for free for anyone over the age of 55. And on the subject of Wills Julie told us that not just money had been left but some rather obscure items too, such as a

surfboard, a pet dog, pieces of furniture and collectibles, including stamps and teddy bears.

Our next meeting is on May 21st. we will be having Pam Davenport with 'Pam's Chilli Jam'. Please come and join us, you will be made very welcome. The talk starts at 7.45 pm in our village hall.

Sue Mullin

Whitton W.I. Celebrates its 95th Anniversary

This April Whitton W.I. achieved its 95th Anniversary, our year of celebration will begin with afternoon tea at Llangoed Hall on April 30th a much-anticipated event.

Our speaker for April was Donna Morgan, hairdresser at Mr Snips, who gave a lively and informative talk on the wide variety of products that she uses in her salon. She also brought us up to date on how to use the newer items in the ranges available along with some very valuable styling tips.

Our walking group has re-started this year; two walks have already taken place under the guidance of our new president Sarah. The first walk was to Wapley Hill and the second around Water Break its Neck.

The next meeting on May 7th will take us much further afield; the speaker will be Penny Platt on 'Tracks of Africa'. All visitors or new members will be made very welcome.

Eryl Walbran

Powys-Radnor Federation of W.I.

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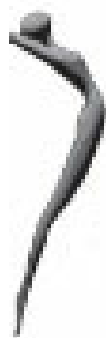


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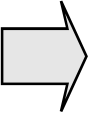
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Good Friday at Evancoyd was a solemn affair. The altar was stripped bare. Only a small wooden carving of Jesus on the cross, shown opposite, remained. His crown of thorns really was composed of sharp thorns.

We didn't sing or listen to a sermon. We contemplated the events of Good Friday as seen in the moving Stations of the Cross by Nigel Pugh, from the other Llangunllo in Ceredigion.

The 13 images were placed around the side chapel. Each person

attending read the story for a painting as told in the Gospels. Then we all quietly immersed ourselves in the colours and meanings.

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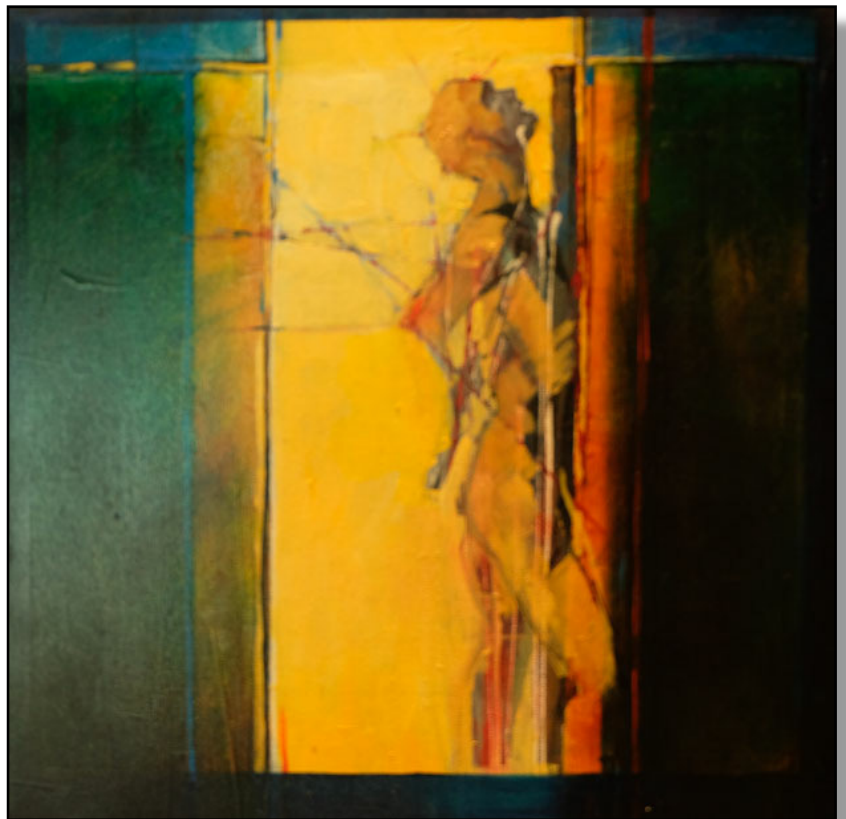
Good Friday at Evancoyd



Jesus on the Cross



Good Friday Altar Piece



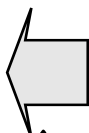
Jesus Scourged



Candles representing early Disciples, with Jesus in the centre



An Agape (Love Feast) reminding us of the Last Supper



Maundy Thursday in New Radnor

At the Old School Hub in New Radnor the Church celebrated Maundy Thursday with a re-enactment of the events leading up to Good Friday.

We met round a table with 17 candles, representing early disciples, both men and women; the central candle was for Jesus. We all took parts in retelling the story.

First we read the outrageous tale of Mary anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume and wiping them with her hair. Then we listened to a modern piece of music about that story.

Revd Mark and Kit Beaton washed our feet as Jesus had for the disciples. We gathered round the table to read the story of Jesus' last supper, to sing a hymn, to drink wine and eat fresh loaves, cheese and fruit. Good

conversation accompanied this simple meal commemorating the foundation of Holy Communion.

At the end of the evening we retold how Jesus was arrested and abandoned by all his followers as we extinguished all the disciple's candles. We adjourned with only one candle burning for Jesus.

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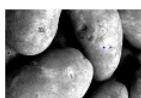


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Knighton News

Church Hall - "Raise the Roof"

The Book Fair, organised by Rochelle and committee members, was a very successful and enjoyable fundraiser towards the roof replacement. £650.00 was made. A huge thank you to all who supported and helped in any way. Special thanks to Paul, Michael and Derrick, who moved and displayed so many lovely books. Competition winners were David Lloyd, Nicola Coulston, Derrick Price, Ange Williams, Peggy Sexton and Phil Jackson. Would you like to sponsor a tile and have your name on the roof forever? Interested? Please contact Rochelle on 07971 253257 or Pauline on 520739.

Table Sale/Coffee Morning

Our next get together will be on 18 May at 10.00 am. A chance for you to have your own table and sell your unwanted items at a cost of £5.00 per table. We will have our usual stalls of books, produce, cakes, bric-a-brac and competitions, coffee and biscuits. To book a table (limited space) phone 528260 or 520739. All welcome. To raise funds for St Edward's.

Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

The next meeting will be the AGM, which everyone is most welcome to attend. The date: 20 May at 7.30 pm in Knucklas Community Centre. Please note this is 3rd Monday of the month. A light supper will follow and time to chat with gardening friends.

Gardens of Sussex Tour 7-10 July

Club members and friends will be travelling south to visit the gardens of Great Dixter, Denmans, Nymans and others. Accommodation will be

in 4 star hotel in East Grinstead. 4 days, 3 nights £407.00. The coach will leave Knighton on Sunday 7 July and return on 10 July. Are you interested in joining us? There are places available if you are quick. Please phone 529244 (Avril) or 528260 (Jean).

Bingo

More fun on 4 May at 7.00 pm in the Church Hall. Do come along to raise funds for St Edward's Church.

Competition winners (March Coffee Morning)

Mike's Fiddle: Ann Jones and David Minton. Other winners were Jean Price, Audrey Green, Jim Morris, Iris Greaves, Gwen Morgan, Diana Rudge and Peter Medlicott. This event raised the sum of £232.00 for the church general fund.

Knighton Show & Carnival (August)

The schedules are with the printers and will be available soon. Enquiries to the secretary, Sarah Hamer.

Harri Cooke (update)

Following many enquiries from readers, I am pleased to report that Harri is now in remission following twelve months of cancer treatment. Blonde curly hair and eyebrows all returned. He has now started school and hopes to celebrate his fifth birthday this month, with lots of friends and family. A huge thank you for all your prayers and generous donations. Harri is the son of my nephew and godson James. Jean Price

Macmillan Cancer Support

The AGM will take place on Thursday 2 May at 9.30 am in the Church Hall. All welcome.

The annual Macmillan Mile Walk will take place on 21 May, commencing

at 7.00pm from Offa's Dyke. Sponsorship forms will be available shortly from shops in town, the library and Offa's Dyke. Do join us; we always have an enjoyable walk and chat, with lots of children and dogs having fun.

Family News

We continue to remember in our prayers all in need and unwell at this time, especially Sylvia Balls, who is still in Knighton Hospital. We all miss her and pray that she will return home very soon. Jean Shuker and Val Cropper are now well on the way to recovery, together with Rosemary Hanna. Get well soon ladies.

The funeral took place on 29 March of Mary Jones, aged 78 years. Interment followed in the cemetery. Our thoughts are with Elaine, Ian and family as they mourn the loss of their much-loved Mum. Mary was a valued member of Chapel Lawn W.I. and a member of a very successful rounders team in the seventies, winning the Shropshire-Radnor-shire County Championships.

Jean Price

Painting Exhibition

A date for your diaries will be the 25th, 26th & 27th May when there will be a painting exhibition by Audrey Bradley and local artists in St Edward's Church with cake and tea at moderate prices.

Rhayader Male Voice Choir

On Saturday 26th there will be a Concert by the ever popular Rhayader Male Voice Choir with supporting artists at St Edward's Church. Tickets will be available from Church Members or telephone 01547 529167.

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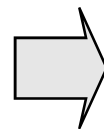
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Llangunllo's Panto Horse Grand National



The real Grand National was run at Llangunllo on Saturday 6th of April, a few hours before the copycat event at Aintree.

Ten splendidly imaginative panto-mime horses and one unicorn (Holly and Kylie) ran, including several inhabited by visitors and one with its own in-horse music. After three gruelling heats, when the favourite Flower Power (Michelle and Rosey)

fell at an early stage and Mucky Seven (Pam and Dave) was disqualified for cutting across, a wildly cheering crowd witnessed a dramatic finish to the main race. The leader, powered by Ryan and Andrew, fell on the home straight, and had to be put down by the vet, leaving a late entry powered by John Lewis and Chris to romp home and claim the Tudor Gold Cup.

Some wonderful race-going hats were also on view, and a grand time was had by all. Nearly £400 was raised for the Air Ambulance. Thanks to Jake and Paul the Greyhound for organising the event, Phil and Richard for commentary and sweepstake, Macartneys for donating the rosettes, and of course to all the horses and hat-wearers. Could this become an annual event, a Tiger Roll-over?

Article & photos by Charles Kightly

Llangunllo's Stupendous Springtime Tea Dance



Sat May 11th
(6.30 until 10.30pm)

Following the success of their 'First Fabulous Tea Dance' in December 2012, Llangunllo village community is

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Footnote! If you feel your footwork needs a little polish, there will be a free dancing practice at the Village Hall on Sunday April 28th from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Free tea and nibbles. Please let Gill know if you would like to attend this session.

So, shine up your dancing shoes, put on your glamorous best, and join us for a great night out!

All welcome!

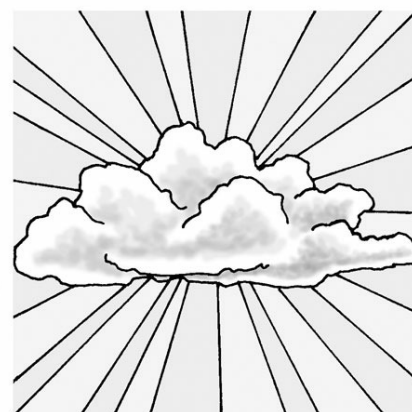


Quiz Night

The next quiz is on
Friday 17 May in the New Radnor Community Hall. Doors open at 7pm for a prompt start at 7:30pm. Teams of up to 6 players, £2 a head entry fee.

Refreshments available, bring your own bottle.

Everybody welcome to this fun and friendly quiz.



Llangunllo's Grand National



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Racing to the Finish



Jan and Jane



Paul Awarding the Unicorn Heat Winner



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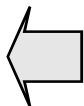
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Christine Serving Up



Contemplating the Stations of the Cross



Pilgrimage Through Our Ministry Area

A Pilgrimage of Benedictine teenagers snaked its way across our Ministry Area during Holy Week. They came from all over, to carry a large wooden cross from Abergavenny to Newtown while a group of older Benedictines made a similar pilgrimage from Liverpool to Newtown where they met up for Easter.

On Tuesday they trekked from Hay-on-Wye. At each stop they considered a Station of the Cross and then walked in silence for half an hour.

They stopped for a break at Gladestry and walked across the Smatcher to New Radnor where they sang their way to the Village Hall and knelt in reverence before their cross.

Christine Gould and Kit Beaton greeted them with a fine homecooked meal. Then it was Evening Prayer, led by Revd Mark. They contemplated the Stations of the Cross painted by Nigel Pugh from the other Llangunllo in Ceredigion. It was a treat to see them quietly absorbing the story as shown so dramatically in the Stations.

They made their sandwiches for the next day before bedding down in their sleeping bags on the floor.

They woke early, said Morning Prayer together, and set off for Bleddfa, then Llangunllo, and across Beacon Hill to Felindre Village Hall, where they would sleep before the final leg to Newtown.

The pilgrimage happens annually, and is supported by a small team of adults.

Laura Woodside-Jones



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200g (6 1/2oz) feta, crumbled	2 tbsp roughly chopped fresh basil
3 slices rustic white bread, crusts removed, cut into 1cm (1/2in) cubes	2-3 tbsp olive oil
	2 tsp balsamic vinegar

Method

1. Heat the oven to 180°C (gas mark 4). Cut off the tops of the peppers and scoop out any seeds or pith with a spoon.
 2. Put the rest of the ingredients in a bowl and mix gently to combine. Season with salt and plenty of pepper.
 3. Fill each pepper with an equal amount of the mixture, place them in a roasting tin and bake for 35 minutes, or until they have softened and coloured. Replace the pepper tops about 10 minutes before the end of cooking.
- Tip: If you prefer, slice the peppers in half lengthways and fill (as described) with the mixture, to give you 12 halves.



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Tref-y-Clawdd W.I., Tower House Gallery, 7.30pm.
- Thur 2* Quiet Hour, 1 Ystrad House, Knighton 10-11am.
Annual Macmillan Mile Walk, Offa's Dyke Centre, 7pm.
- Fri 3* Llanfair W.I. Singing Evening with Charlotte, 7pm.
Needlefelt Course, Treluggas, Bwlch-y-Plain, Lloyney, 10-40m.
- Sat 4* Llangunllo Walking Festival, Greyhound Pub, 10am.
- Sun 5* Llangunllo Walking Festival, Greyhound Pub 10am.
- Tue 7* Gardening talk: Organic veg growing, Knighton Comm. 11am.
INDUCTION of Revd Petra Beresford-Webb at St Edward's, Knighton, 6.30.
Whitton W.I. Penny Platt *Tracks of Africa*, Whitton Hall, 7.30pm.
'Under Another Sun' Talk, Evenjobb Vill Hall, 7.30pm.
Stowe & Stanage W.I., Knighton Comm, 7pm.
- Wed 8* Presteigne Floral Art, Presteigne Mem Hall, 7.30pm.
- Thur 9* Chatterbrook W.I., 'Women of Hampton Court', Presteigne Mem Hall, 8pm.
- Fri 10* Bingo, Radnor Valley School, 6-8pm.
- Sat 11* Big Plant Sale, Knighton Comm. 9.30am-12.30pm.
Llangunllo Tea Dance, 6.30-10.30pm.
- 12-18* Christian Aid Week
- Tue 14* Craft Club, Knucklas Comm Cent, 2-4pm.
Hearing Aid Service, Knighton Comm 10.30-12.30.
- Wed 15* **DEADLINE FOR JUNE RADNOR**
Midweek Holy Communion at St Edward's, Knighton, 1030am.
- Thur 16* Folk Night, Knucklas Castle Inn, 7pm
- Fri 17* Christian Aid Famine Lunch, Methodist Church, Knighton, 12-1.30.
N.R. Over 60's, Westonbury Water Gardens Trip, 1.30 at Esco's.
- Sat 18* Community Breakfast, Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine, 9-11am.
Radnor Valley Gardening Club, Spring Plant Sale, N.R. Comm Cent, 10am
NGS Nantiago Garden, Llanfairwaterdine 2-5.
School Dinners Night, Walton Village Hall.
W.I. Annual County Show, Knighton Comm.
Table Sale/Coffee Morn, St Ed's Hall, 10am.
- Sun 19* Spring Concert, New Radnor Hub, 3pm.
NGS Nantiago Garden, Llanfairwaterdine, 2-5.
- Mon 20* Teme Valley Gardeners' Club, AGM, Knucklas CC, 7.30 pm.
- Tue 21* Macmillan Mile Walk, 7pm from Offa's Dyke Centre, Knighton.
- Sat 25* Rhayader Male Voice Choir Concert, St Edward's Church, 7pm.
- 20-26* Dementia Action Week
- Tue 21* Gladestry W.I. Pam's Chilli Zoo, Vill Hall, 7.30
Ladies Guild. Cheese Demo, Knucklas CC 7.30pm.
- Wed 22* Dementia Friends Awareness session, Tower House Gallery, Knighton, 7pm.
Churchest Together Way Ahead, Methodist Church, Knighton, 2.30pm.
- Sat 25* Rhayader Male Voice Choir, St. Edward's Church, 7pm.
- 25, 26, 27* Art Exhibition. St Edward's Church, Knighton, 10.30am - 4.30pm.
- Tue 28* Craft Club, Knucklas Comm Cent, 2-4pm.
Hearing Aid Service, Presteigne Youth Centre 13.30-15.30.
- 29 May - 5 June* New Radnor W.I. at Kington Community Shop.
- 31 May - 2 June* Pilgrimage of Song, see page 11 for events

Future Dates

- 1 June* Monteverdi Vespers, St Andrew's Church, Presteigne, 7.30pm.
- 2 June* Big Breakfast, Evenjobb Vill Hall. 9-1pm.
- 3 June* N.R. W.I., Shrink Plastic, Vill Hall, 7pm.
- 08 June* Fun & Well-being Day, Gladestry, 2-5pm.

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Beguildy	SO 194797	LD7 1YE	Pilleth	SO 256682	LD7 1NP
Bleddfa	SO 206683	LD7 1PA	Cascob	SO 239664	LD8 2NT
Heyope	SO 239745	LD7 1PY	N Radnor	SO 210609	LD8 2SS
Llangunllo	SO 211712	LD7 1SW	Gladestry	SO 230551	HR5 3NR
Knighton	SO 287724	LD7 1AG	Colva	SO 199531	HR5 3RA
Norton	SO 304672	LD8 2EY	Evancoyd	SO 262627	LD8 2PA

Registers

St Edward's, Knighton

18th March, Philip Hoger, aged 64

29th March, Mary Jones, aged 78

May

- 5 11am Rev Neil Richardson HC
- 12 Mike Owens
- 19 Neville Stephens
- 26 Rev Kevin Dare with Baptist Congregation

Initials on schedule, back page:

AG	Audrey Green
CG	Christine Gould
CH	Rev Christobel Hargraves
DD	David Davies
GW	Geoff Weaver
HC	Heather Carrington
HE	Heather Evans
JH	Rev John Hanna
MB	Rev Mark Beaton
MW	Mick Westrip
PBW	Petra Beresford- Webb

Baptist Chapels

May

- 5 Norton St, 11am, Church Anniversary
- 5 Coxall, 2.30pm, Communion. Kevin Dare
- 5 Pound with Llanbister Methodist, 2.30pm
- 5 Gravel, 2.30pm, Richard Mansell
- 12 Norton St, 11am, Simeon Baker
- 12 Knucklas, 6pm, Kevin Dare
- 12 Llanbister Methodist with Pound, 3.00pm
- 19 Norton St. 11am, Trevor Grant
- 19 Coxall, 2.30pm, Andrew Powell
- 19 Pound with Llanbister Methodist, 2.30pm
- 19 New Radnor Baptist, 3pm, Rev Leigh Spicer
- 26 Norton St. 11am, Joint service with Knighton Methodists, Kevin Dare
- 26 Knucklas, 6pm, Communion, M Humphreys
- 26 Llanbister Methodist with Pound, 3.00pm
- 26 Maesyrhelem, Reg Meredith, 6.30pm.

June

- 2 Norton St, 11am, Café Church, Nick & Bridget
- 2 Coxall, 2.30pm, Communion, M Humphreys

Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St Nicholas

Every Sunday: 11am Holy Communion

Every Thursday: 11.30 Holy Communion

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Llangunllo Village Hall	Tom Lewis	01547 550639			

Spring Scenes



The Goldfinches weren't deterred by the April snow



Not an Easter Bonnet, but the Hat Competition at Llangunllo's Grand National



Easter Garden at St David's Heyope



Window Flowers at Heyope



Hedgerow Primroses

May 2019		May 5 <i>White</i> Easter 3	May 12 <i>White</i> Easter 4	May 19 <i>White</i> Easter 5	May 26 <i>White</i> Easter 6	June 2 <i>White</i> Sun after Ascension
	Readings	Acts 9.1-6 [7-20] Psalm 30 Revelation 5.11-14 John 21.1-19	Acts 9.36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7.9-17 John 10.22-30	Acts 11.1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21.1-6 John 13.31-35	Acts 16.9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21.10,22-22.5 John 14.23-29 or John 5.1-9	Acts 16.16-34 Psalm 97 Revelation 22.12-13, 16-17,20-21 John 17.20-26
Beacon Hill	Beguildy <i>St Michael</i>	No Service	11:00am MB Morning Worship	No Service	11:00am PBW Holy Communion	11:00am PBW Holy Communion
	Bledfa <i>M Magdalene</i>	8:30pm MW Compline	No Service	No Service	No Service	8:30pm MB Compline
	Heyope <i>St David</i>	3:00pm AG Evensong	No Service	3:00pm PBW Holy Communion	No Service	No Service
	Llangunllo <i>St Cynllo</i>	No Service	No Service	6:30pm MB Evening Worship	No Service	No Service
East Radnor	Cascob <i>St Michael</i>	No Service	3:00pm PBW Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	3:00pm PBW Holy Communion
	Knighton <i>St Edward</i>	11:00am JH Morning Worship	11:00am PBW Holy Communion	11:00am PBW Morning Worship	9:30am PBW Holy Communion	9:30am PBW Morning Worship
	Pilleth <i>St Mary</i>	No Service	No Service	No Service	3:00pm PBW Holy Communion	No Service
	Whitton <i>St David</i>	9:30am DD Morning Worship	9:30am PBW Holy Communion	9:30am PBW Holy Communion	No Service	9:30am ??DD Morning Prayer
New Radnor	Colva <i>St David</i>	2:30pm MB Evening Prayer	No Service	No Service	No Service	2:30pm MB Evening Prayer
	Evancoyd <i>St Peter</i>	11:00am HE Morning Worship	3:00pm MB Holy Communion	No Service	11:00am MB Holy communion	11:00am HE Morning Worship
	Gladestry <i>St Mary</i>	11:15am MB Family Service	9:15am MB Holy Communion	11:15am MB Holy Communion	5:00pm HC Evening Worship	11:15am MB Family Service
	Llanl N M <i>St Michael</i>	No Service	11:00am CG Morning Prayer	No Service	3:00pm MB Holy Communion	No Service
	New Radnor <i>St Mary</i>	9:15am MB Holy Communion	6:00pm Informal Worship	9:15am MB Holy Communion	10:00am CG (NRCC) Morning Worship	9:15am MB Holy Communion