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### The Wharf at Felindre









Former Felindre Shop





Large garden

### The Wharf at Felindre

No one seems certain, but The Wharf was probably named for the dry wharf where wagons would reverse up and load their cargo. In the photo below the wide step to the right of the car is the old wharf where wagons used to load from. A front room served as a grain depot.



Wharf Inn when Walter Clark was licensee

Another theory is that Felindre (town of the Mill) is the site of the confluence of the Deudder brook coming down the side valley



Vron Mill on the Teme

into the Teme where there were at least two mills, hence the water mill on the sign. Behind the pub is Mill Wood on the brook, and the remains of Vron Mill are nearby on the Teme.

The building goes back to the late 18th century. But there have been three other

inns. Just up the road near the crossroad is Upper House, once the site of a 17-18th century inn, the Black Lion. Bridge House, recently demolished, was opposite the Village Shop and recorded as a pub in the 18th century. Another inn was a bit further along the road.

A noteworthy publican, R E Bousefield, arrived in 1941 to avoid the London bombs. He had lost both legs in a Royal Navy ship during World War 1. He used two sticks.

Mandy and Wayne Price, the publicans for the past seven years, rent The Wharf from Brian Thomas, a former landlord who lives next door at the former Village Shop. When he was the landlord he added the present bar. The former small bar positioned in one of the entrances to the pool room had been added reluctantly by the previous landlord Chris

Griffiths, who had bought the building to run his business out of and was persuaded by locals to reopen it as a pub

Leslie and Mary Morris.

landlords from around 1949 to 1967, added a small porch to the front. The present bar is in what was the dining room,

with a little cast fireplace.

Les Morris



Arthur, Blodwyn & Shandy Bell

The big fireplace with a welcome settle was in the main room. The present lounge bar was once the kitchen. (continued on p 5)

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.The Wharf was sold to Wrekin Brewery but bought again by Arthur and Blodwen Brick



Arthur & Blodwyn Brick 'Blod n Art'

(1967-78) This photo of "Blod n Art" is above the bar. Ladies were not regular visitors to the pub back then but any that did visit had to pop upstairs to use Blodwyn's toilet if the need arose, and the gentleman had the use of a urinal that had been installed in the stable next to the pub – it is still behind Wayne's

store of logs. The only servery available when Arthur was there was a small hatch in a door on the side of the bar. Mostly glasses would have been handed to Arthur who would scuttle off into the bar and then deliver back to the thirsty recipient – table service before Covid!

Geoff and Carolyn Duthie moved into **The Wharf** in 1978 and soon after added the large triangular porch to the front and replaced the porch to the side with a pool room and new indoor toilets (including one for ladies). They

also introduced a large bar with several counters for people to stand at and order and drink their beer.

The first floor of **The Wharf** has entertained many. Once it housed a tailor. Lesley Morris's wife Mary did Bed and Breakfast there. It was also flats,



Former stairwell leading down to bar.

but it is now the home of landlords. A stairwell once led down to where the bar is now; Jenny Barrett remembers sitting on the bottom step drinking his alcohol free Minster Shandy out of the bottle when he was a boy.

The pub has a history of supporting local sports. From long ago it was the meeting point for the football team, and also for the

successful tug-of-war team who competed in tugs



around the world. When Lesley Morris was there the football team changed in the stables before coming to the games room. Derek Brick remembers going there as a youth with his football team. Mandy has recently reinstituted drinks and food for the local football team.

The Wharf shared activities like weddings with the Village Hall. It hosted pub sports like dominoes and darts, but also whist drives, throwing and running contests, guess the weight, timing how fast you can put on fancy dress, etc. (see page 13)

The Wharf also stood in the Welsh tradition of hymn singing with or without the piano accompaniment of Margaret Lewis (church organist at Beguildy). The Dolithon Choir with Brian Thomas often came along.

This Christmas Santa arrived by horse and cart to his grotto in the main room. Three elves accompanied him while a load of children, maybe as many as 60, came for a chat and a pressie. (See page 13 for a photo.)

There must have been much fun at The Wharf. Jacqui Salt, former landlady at The Horse and Jockey remembers when a group of Wharf lads (maybe the pool team?) on a pub crawl arrived with a live chicken which they plopped on the table, much to the amazement of everyone. They also tried (unsuccessfully) to abduct the barmaid (all in good fun).

Sources: The Pubs of Radnorshire by Tony Hobbs and various residents: Andy Morris, Carolyn Duthie, Mandy Price, Brian Thomas, Jayne Bright Dear friends,

As I look at the snowdrops I am reminded of how determination can get us where we need to be. Sometimes it is just getting up in the morning on dull winter days. The little snowdrop bulb lies in the ground and comes to life at the most inhospitable time of the year, bringing joy to those who see them.

Bringing joy to people is what we should all concentrate on. When our thoughts become as dark as the bleak winter sky, we should blow the clouds away and replace them with winter sunshine. This may sound idealistic but as we enter Lent this is a good time to turn our thoughts to others: those we know and those we don't, those who are religious and those without faith. To me prayer need not be set words or even words at all, but times of guiet to contemplate the problems and the joys of this world. This time can recharge us and give us strength.

I use Lent as a time of reflection and rebuilding and I am going to focus on my prayer life. In doing so I will, of course, be asking for God's help for all in need in many, many ways but also for me, so that I can be the priest that I need to be. We all need times of stillness, however big or small. The world wants so much from us and we are pulled in so many different directions, leaving us drained and exhausted mentally and physically. How then are we supposed to help others when we are not helping ourselves?

Let us all take time in the day to pray or think of those who are suffering in any way but also to take note of ourselves. How are we suffering and what can be done about it? Take time in the silence and stillness, leaving aside our busy lives for a time.

Love and blessings, Petra

### Cover - St David

This unusual image of St David reminds us that our patron produce The Radnor in any saint was the abbot of a monastery where monks lived simply, drinking only water and eating vegetarian (hence the leek as his symbol). Most images of David show a formal bishop wearing a mitre (tall crown) dressed in regal robes. But David became bishop reluctantly – not for him were high positions.

As with most images of David a dove is on his shoulder, a sign of the Holy Spirit. He also bears a simple staff, symbol of authority (the "good shepherd"). But unusually David carries a little bell, rung to summon the monks from their labours to prayer.

The image was created by Celtic Studios, 1963, a firm that often portrayed David as bare-headed and barefoot or with sandals.

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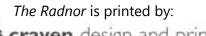
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### Llangunllo W.I. – From Gin & Tonic to Gin & W.I.

A fter our Zoom and quiz meeting in January we met face-to-face in our secretary's home in February. After discussing many things in the business part of the meeting including this year's NFWI Resolutions, the work of our Board of Trustees, the County Show, our upcoming events, restarting our community lunches and knit and natter, the members and guests sat back for our Gin Tasting event.

Committee members provided a range of gins to taste and shared their research for their gin We learnt the history of gin, and what each gin we tasted contained along with where and how they were distilled. Gin related quotes from famous names were also added into the mix!! Who knew gin had been with us since the 17th century being used for medicinal purposes, and warming up British troops fighting in the Low Countries in the Thirty Years War, hence the origins of the saying "Dutch Courage."

We also learnt about the dreadful impact gin had on society in the 17th, 18th & 19th centuries. Being the drink of the poor it was blamed for crime, prostitution and mental illness. Today gin is enjoying considerable



popularity and boasts an ever-widening variety of botanicals and flavours, not to mention the growing varieties of tonics. Oh, and let's not forget the attractive gin bottles enticing us to buy. During the tasting, members scored each of the different gins, to gain an overall score and favourite.

Whilst we sampled a range of snacks while we sipped the gins, we still managed to leave space for a delicious supper, as we continued to chat and catch up on family and village news.

Our meeting in March will see us learning a new skill, felting, where we all hope to make an Easter egg and chick, so look out in the next edition of the Radnor to see how successful we were.

Visitors always welcome. Please contact the Secretary Isabel Morris on 01547 550689

Anne Newton

### Felindre W.I. Scoop the Prizes

Felindre W.I. held their February meeting at The Radnorshire Arms, Beguildy, discussing various local, Countyand National matters. The planned Felindre Christmas dinner for members and husbands had to be postponed in January because of Covid restrictions and illness but will now be held on 5th March. Felindre members had scooped the board by winning all four cash prizes in the County 2020/21 prize draw, though regrettably, these weren't as high as lottery prizes, only totalling £90.

After the business part of the meeting, members enjoyed a snack lunch, then President Jayne Harris ran a tasting competition where members had to identify the various spices and herbs she had brought. Secretary Rhona Barnett had the highest score, and members thanked Jayne for organising the competition.

Felindre's next meeting will be held at noon on Wednesday 2nd March in the same venue. New members are always welcome – contact Jayne on 01547 510644.

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### Stowe & Stanage W.I.

Our February meeting started with business matters, including voting for our preferred resolution to be discussed at the national meeting in June. The majority opted for appropriate sentencing of non-violent women offenders. We discussed the schedule for our County Show to be held on 18th June at The Comm. Items of cookery, craft, art and floral arrangements are to be entered under the theme 'Fit for a Queen'. Three members will attend a St David's Day celebration on 26th February to hear readings and songs in Welsh.

We have been invited to take a turn to provide the Community Lunch at the Thursday DropIn Eatery at The Comm, and a small group have offered to do this at the end of June. We will also have a presence at the International Women's Day event at The Comm on 8th March.

As our speaker was unable to come, Linda prepared a quiz for us which we all enjoyed, and the team called 'Give Us a Clue' won.

On 1st March Lynne Danby will tell us about 200 years of wedding dresses. Do join us at 2.30pm in the Reynolds Room.

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### Llanfair Waterdine W.I.



All our members are enjoying being back to some kind of normality. After having to cancel our January special event due to a possibility of upgraded Covid restrictions it is nice to be back on track. We are beginning to make plans for our 90th Anniversary and are looking for entries for the County Show.

Our February meeting was "Ugandan Dream." Jane Roberts and Kay Prichard talked about their own charity which they use to develop health care in rural Uganda. They had some wonderful photographs of the true way of life in Ugandan rural communities.

They also told us about the work that they do in maternity units and in child health care.

Our next meeting is "Hiroshige" which is a form of Japanese woodcut. Our own Andrea Moore is going to explain this to us.

We meet in the Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine on the first Friday of every month at 7.00pm and love to welcome people. If you would like further information please contact either Margaret Clugston (President) on 01547 529155 or Ann Harroway (Secretary) on 01547 528477. We would be pleased to hear from you.

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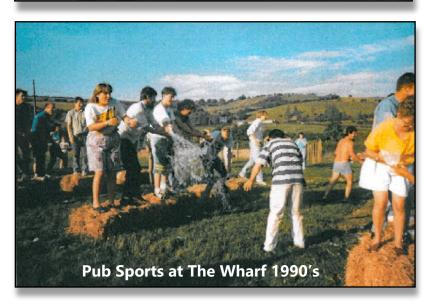
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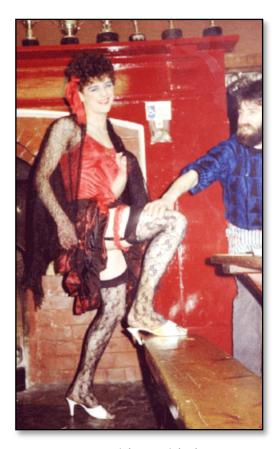
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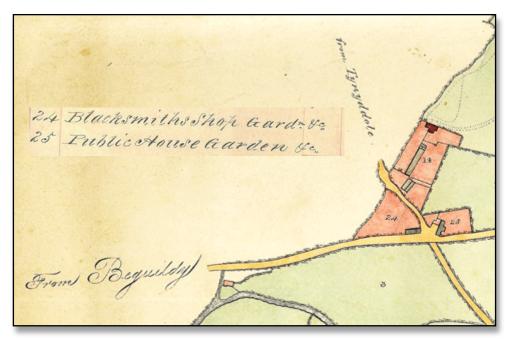
# Santa and his elf arrive on his sleigh, Christmas 2021



# Fun and Games at The Wharf



Jenny Barrett with David Thomas at Tarts and Tramps Night, late 80's-90's



### **Old map of Felindre:**

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# Favourite Thing Grandeur at Pilleth

Left: wide flight of steps to the churchyard

### Health Check at Llandod Lake





### My Favourite Thing – Grand View at Pilleth

Despite being a humble Radnorshire church, St Mary's Pilleth has something grand about it. It is an ancient site, one of only a few listed in the Domesday Book.

The first thing you encounter after driving up the secluded lane is the wide, formal, cobbled steps, signalling something special.

Emerging from the flight of 28 steps onto the flat, mown grass, you may be blown away by the view below of the Lugg Valley. It curves gently east through green pasture land and scattered farms. Few churches offer such a

lofty view of a quiet valley below, with only the occasional sound of a distant vehicle. One feels at ease with the world.

The plain white interior boasts a clear glass east window and side windows edged with pink which was given as a wedding present for our daughter who was married here in 1987. Before the windows were restored the windows were patched with broken, ribbed and yellow glass which obscured any view but now you can clearly see the surrounding hills and the grandeur of Offa's Dyke country. A place of peace and tranquility for prayer and meditation. Reflections from Peter Hood

### Have you ever considered that . . .

- ~ A bird in the hand is safer than two over your head.
- ~ A penny saved is a ridiculous waste of time.
- ~ A stitch in time would have confused Einstein.
- ~ No woman ever shot a man while he was doing dishes.
- ~ We need to save the earth. It's the only planet with chocolate.

### Spectacle at Llandod Lake

On a cold but sunny winter's day I visited the lake at Llandod and witnessed an interesting spectacle. The lake was mostly covered in ice so that some of the water birds were walking rather than swimming on it. But there was a group of men wading in it up to their waists! What strange behaviour. But there had to be an explanation.

The lake is used by an angling club, and each winter they carry out a stock take of the fish - particularly carp and tench. I did quite a lot of fishing in my youth and I knew of these breeds but had never caught them. The men broke several passages in the ice, and systematically trawled the lake with a long net. This involved getting the net to pass under the ice, and the water fowl that were on top. Of

course some of the swans were in the water so they had to be coaxed to cross the net. In mid-afternoon the net was brought into the bank and people were treated to a spectacular scene.

The water was alive with hundreds if not thousands of fish. Lots of small roach, perch and dace, and probably more breeds. But the stars were the carp, some of them a mirror variety, and a few tench. The big ones were picked up one by one, and given a visual health check. Special ones were selected for closer examination and weighed by members of the angling club, before being released. It just shows that no matter how old you are there are always new experiences to witness.

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### St Edward's Church News

### **Bingo**

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### **Coffee Morning Table Sales**

Please come along on March 19th to our next social event, commencing at 10am in the Church Hall. Enjoy good coffee with friends and browse the tables of goods for sale. If you would like to have a table to sell your own items, please phone 528260. There will be a small charge. A fund raiser for St Edward's Church.

### **Family News**

In our prayers we remember all who are unwell, in need, anxious and sad in our communities. Our thoughts are with all who care for those in hospital, hospices, care homes and with those who look after the housebound or those who are recovering from a spell in hospital, including church members June Ruff, Pauline Parker and Gwen Morgan.

We remember all who are mourning the loss of loved ones: the families and friends of Phylis Guest, Enid Brown, John Bevan and David Bennet.

### **Funerals**

The funeral service of Phylis Guest took place on January 11th. She passed away on December 11th, aged 98, in the nursing home at Churchstoke. It was a Service of Thanksgiving for a long life lived to the full. Rev Goodband spoke of a faithful church member who loved church music, a choir member for many years and one who contributed much to St Edwards. Committal took place in the old cemetery.

The funeral service for Enid Brown took place on January 24th, conducted by Rev Petra Goodband. Enid passed away aged 88 years on January 2nd. Tributes were spoken by her two young relatives, reminding us of the many years together with her late husband, William. They ran the cinema in Knighton. Burial took place in the new cemetery.

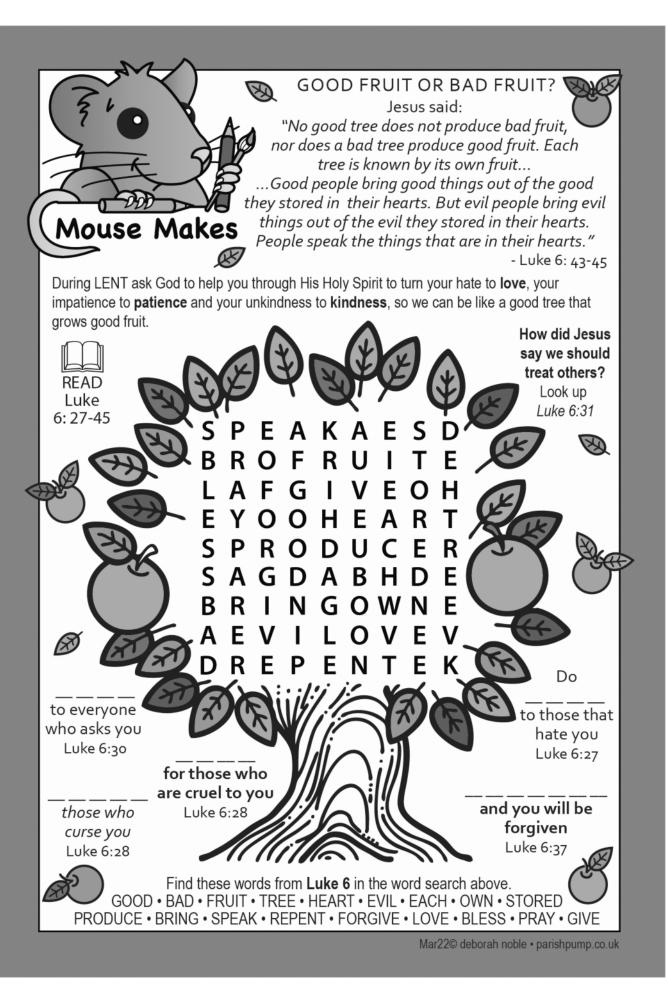
There was a large attendance at the funeral service of John Bevan, which took place on February 4th at St Edward's Church. John passed away on January 10th, aged 76 years, a popular man in our town who in retirement enjoyed volunteering in the Community Barn. A family tribute was given by Charlotte (niece) and the hymn "Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer" was sung by six friends, members of Rhayader Male Voice Choir. The service was officiated by Rev Rachael Storer.

We would like to thank the families for the many donations given to St Edward's Church in memory of their much loved relatives.

Jean Price

### **Furniture Barn in Knighton**

9am to 2pm (Monday to Friday) Saturdays, 9am to 12.30 Info: 01547 520444 Mrs Yvonne Moses The future starts today, not tomorrow.
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### **March Facts**

- In old Roman calendars, one year used to be ten months long, starting in March and ending in December.
- Every year, March and June finish on the same day of the week.
- The name for March comes from Mars, the Roman god of war. It was named as such in both the Julian and Gregorian calendars.
- The Vernal Equinox occurs around March 20 or 21. This is when the sun is directly above the equator, making the day and night equal length.
- The Anglo-Saxons called March "Hlyd monath" meaning "Stormy month" or "Hraed monath" meaning "Rugged month."

### **Impartial Energy Advice**

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A good film is when the price of the dinner, the theatre admission and the babysitter were worth it.

- Alfred Hitchcock

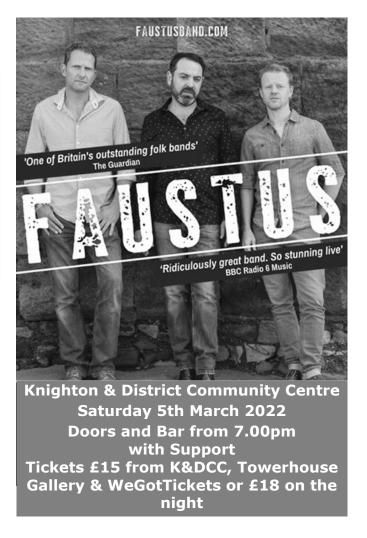
### Churches Together Lunch Club

Lunch Club at Knighton Methodist Church 12 noon until 2 pm each Monday. £5 for 2 courses.

Now that we have re-started there is room for more people. Please ring Margaret Davies on 01547 528 154 if you would like to attend. A welcome awaits. They would be grateful, too for a few more volunteers, once a month.

### **Thursday Drop-in Eatery**

A drop-in lunch of soup, sandwich and a Cake is available between midday and 1.30pm each Thursday in the Knighton Comm. Home delivery for local residents who cannot physically join in. The service is donation led.



### Idris Lloyd: 1940s to the Spring of 2019. A Life of Work.

This continues the story of Idris Lloyd's youth in Dutlas.

When I left school I spent a period of time in London earning £5 a week. After a while in London I got homesick and returned to Dutlas. There was no regular work so I helped out here and there. A local stone mason employed me to assist him at The Runnis. An area of the front of the house was bulging. We propped it up and removed the collapsing stone work, cleaned the stone and rebuilt. When finished the mason had no further work where he needed an assistant.

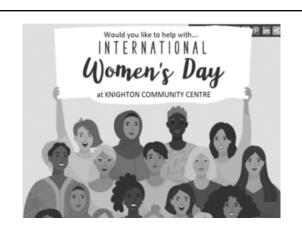
I found work on a **local farm full time** being paid **18 shillings a week** which did not buy much. Six weeks work may pay for a new pair of boots. The summer of 1946 was very wet. Farmers were unable to harvest much hay for fodder. The cereal harvest was a little better. A lot of the crops were damaged by rain.

The winter of 1946-47 was dreadful with very heavy snow fall and severe frosts. Most of the local roads were blocked. Farmers would go to Knighton with horses, returning with as much bread and food as they could manage to get, sharing it out with other people who could not get to Knighton. There was a shortage of coal, no deliveries were made. The road to Knighton was eventually opened one Sunday morning by a caterpillar bulldozer, followed by a delivery of coal by The Radnorshire Company. It was very upsetting to find sheep buried in snowdrifts, often frozen to the ground, attacked by crows and their eyes pecked out as they were unable to defend themselves. When the thaw came carcasses had to be buried. Farmers lost a lot of livestock due to starvation and the severe weather. There were drifts on Radnor Forest in June 1947. (Idris' story continues next month.)

### **Litter Picks in Knighton**

March 27 meet Offa's Dyke Centre
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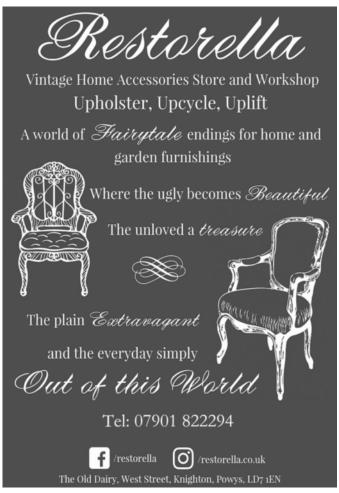
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### **History of Simnel Cake**

Simnel cake is a light fruit cake with a layer of marzipan in the middle and on the top, which is lightly toasted. It was originally made for the middle Sunday of Lent, when there would be a break from the 40 day fast on Laetare Sunday, also known as Refreshment Sunday, Mothering Sunday, Sunday of the five loaves or Simnel Sunday. The origin of the word Simnel is not known although there is a 1226 reference to 'bread made into simnel' which is understood to mean the finest white bread from the Latin *simila* - 'fine flour'.

Fast forward to the 17th and 18th centuries, and the bread mixture had been replaced by a

pudding batter, not dissimilar to spotted dick, enriched with dried fruit, spices and almonds. It would be boiled like a pudding. When cooked, it was wrapped in pastry, glazed with egg and baked until a good hard crust formed. It is only when you get towards the end of the 19th century that it starts to look like something we would recognise as a cake, though surprisingly it is not until the 20th century that the familiar marzipan layers and decorative disciples appear. Usually, 11 or occasionally 12 marzipan balls representing the 12 apostles minus Judas, or Jesus and the 12 apostles minus Judas. - Association of Church Editors

### Recipe: Simnel Cake for Mothering Sun, 27 March (or Easter)

### Ingredients for the cake

- 6 oz soft butter or marg 6 oz currants
- 6 oz light brown sugar 3 oz glacé cherries, quartered, rinsed and dried.
- 6 oz self-raising flour 1 oz candied peel, roughly chopped
- 3 eggs Grated zest of 1 large lemon
- 6 oz sultanas 1 teaspoon mixed spice

### Ingredients for the filling and decoration

- 1 lb almond paste
- 2 tablespoons apricot jam
- 1 egg white

### Method

- Grease and line a 7 inch round loose-bottomed cake tin.
- Roll out one-third of the almond paste to make a 7 inch round.
- Combine all the cake ingredients together. Beat well until thoroughly blended. Spoon half the cake mixture into the prepared tin and smooth the surface. Place the almond paste round on top. Spoon over the remaining cake mix and level the surface.
- Bake in pre-heated oven at 150°C (130°C fan, gas mark 2) for 2½ hours until golden brown and firm to touch.
- Cover the top of the cake with greaseproof paper if it is browning too quickly. Leave to cool for 10 minutes than remove from tin and leave to cool completely.
- Warm the jam and brush the top of the cake. Roll out half of the remaining almond paste to a 7 inch round and place on top of cake.
- Roll the remaining almond paste into 11 even sized balls. Place around the cake, attaching them with egg white.
- Brush the tops of the balls and the almond paste with egg white and place under a hot grill for a couple of minutes until the balls are golden. *Member of St Andrew's Church, Sonning*



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"He commanded us to love our neighbours as we love ourselves, but what exactly is meant by 'loving ourselves'? I believe it means trying to make the most of the abilities we have been given, it means caring for our talents. It is a matter of making the best of ourselves, not just doing the best for ourselves. We are all different, but each of us

has his own best to offer. The responsibility for the way we live life with all its challenges, sadness and joy is ours alone. If we do this well, it will also be good for our neighbours. If you throw a stone into a pool, the ripples go on spreading outwards."

"It does matter therefore what each individual does each day. Kindness, sympathy, resolution, and courteous behaviour are infectious."

"We may feel powerless alone but the joint efforts of individuals can defeat the evils of our time."

Thank you to Rosalind Tarrant who sent these words of the Queen for her Platinum Jubileer from her Christmas message of 2002.

# Afghanistan Crisis Appeal Christian Aid Lunch

Knighton Methodist Church, Victoria Road

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But I always think that the best way to know God is to love many things.

- Vincent Van Gogh



### Messy Church

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### **Flora**

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Later this month plant gladioli. They take approximately 90 days from planting to flowering. Planting a few at fortnightly intervals will keep a continuous splash of colour at the back of the border. Lots of flowers which are ideal for the arranger can be grown easily from seed — amarantus (green and red), didiscus (lavender blue), euphorbia (green and white), godetia, larkspur, nasturtium, nicotiana and many more.

Spring is here with primroses and polyanthus in all the garden centres -- aubrietia in purple, pink and red, iberis (white) and lovely pots of pansies. With a few sunny days the daffodils will begin to show drifts of bright yellow. Already the crocus is out, giving a real dash of colour. The snowdrops are still a delight; they are best moved when they have finished flowering and still in full leaf. Do plant them in little groups, not singly, as they enjoy company. Hellebores are all blooming now in the most delightful colours – best in half shade.

Soon it will be Mothering Sunday (mid-lent) when we give gifts of flowers and plants. In years past gifts to mums would have been violets, primroses and pussy willow picked from the country lanes, together with a special cake. These days you can make your own gift with little green ferns in a bowl with a growing primrose, a purple crocus and a few little Easter chicks. What pleasure for mums and grand-mums on Mothering Sunday.

Jean Price

### **Knucklas Notes for March**

By the time that you read this, we will all be looking towards the spring after what has seemed to be a long winter of varied weather. Day and night are of equal length on the March 20th. It will be a time for lambing on the hill-farms, with teams drawn together for this major operation. This is in addition to all the varied tasks that fill a farmer's working day.

Knucklas has seemed rather bleak at times; faithful dog walkers still doing right by their animals, but the weather often not conducive to friendly chats. However, there has been quite a lot to see with farmers going back and forth attending to the many needs of their

flocks or herds and some visitors, even at this time of year!

Some of the late winter/early spring flowers have been coming out, in gardens and on the verges. It has been said that everything is a month ahead this year; certainly all growth seems well-advanced.

Clubs and organisations locally are pretty fully back 'in gear' now. The Christian season of Lent begins, this year, on Wednesday March 2nd and the churches in the Knighton area are offering friendly and open weekly programmes of discussion and sharing.

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### St Herbert of Derwentwater 20 March

love going to Keswick at the north end of ■ the Lake District because it is where my mother spent her happiest childhood years. Even as a little girl, one of her favourite walks was to go down through Crow Park, past the landing stages and the boat houses and on to Friar's Crag. From here you can see the Derwentwater islands: Derwent Isle, Lord's Island with its remains of a manor house and. in the distance, St Herbert's Island with, according to the Ordnance Survey, the remains of a summer house. Many people think this ancient "summer house" is the remains of Herbert's hermitage, including William Wordsworth who wrote a poem about it.

Herbert ate fish from the lake and grew vegetables around his little hut. He lived at the same time as St Cuthbert of Lindisfarne. At that time the Diocese of Northumbria stretched right across the north of England from sea to sea, so Bishop Cuthbert became Herbert's soul friend and Herbert would make an annual visit to Lindisfarne for spiritual direction.

One year Cuthbert made the journey instead. to Carlisle because Queen Eormenburg wanted to become a nun. When Herbert met with him Cuthbert told him that he didn't have long to live, which distressed Herbert so much that he asked Cuthbert to pray that they would both die on the same day and at the same hour so that they could enter heaven together. Evidently this came to pass and they both died in their respective hermitages on 20 March 687, though it isn't recorded at what hour. It is said, though I don't know by whom, that St Herbert's Island was the inspiration for Owl Island in Beatrix Potter's "The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin". Rosemary Hanna



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### Chatterbrook W.I.

Thursday March 10th Presteigne Memorial Hall at 7.30 A talk by Ian Marchant

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participation in Presteigne Pantomimes promising to be a very jolly evening!

Intending new members and visitors are very welcome to join us - just a small charge of £3 Find us on

https://facebook.com/ChatterbrookWl Pick up a programme from Presteigne library Or Chatterbrook Secretary - 01544 267245

### Welsh Words

Dydd Mawrth Ynyd Shrove Tuesday

Dydd Mercher Lludw Ash Wednesday

Y Grawys Lent

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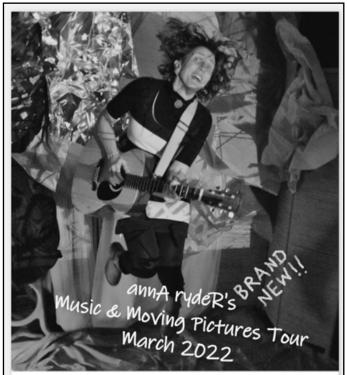
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### **Borderlines Film Festival**

Bedstone/Hopton Vill Hall, 7.30

Sat 05 Pig

Thur 17 Azor

Brilley Vill Hall, 7.30

Thur 10 Mothering Sunday

Thur 17 Master Cheng

Knighton Community Centre, 7.30.

Fri 04 **I Am Belmaya** 

Fri 18 **Lamb** 

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covered initially are Bleddfa, Llangunllo, Beguildy, Heyope, Cascob, Whitton and Norton. Please note this is for anyone not just members of the congregations.

Home Communion is available for those who cannot get to church. Please contact Reverend Petra.

### **National Garden Scheme**

# How Will You Spend Your Time This Spring?

Indoors - Online? "Twenty years with Twenty acres — a story of Hurdley Hall, Churchstoke" is available in ngs.org.uk/shop Also "Celebrating Snowdrops". Clumps of snowdrops that have finished flowering can be lifted in March, while still in leaf; split into smaller clumps; then replanted to the same depth.

Outside? Our first Powys opening is on Mothering Sunday 27th March, Oak Cottage, Welshpool SY21 7JP 2pm - 5pm. For all gardens opening over Mother's Day Weekend go to ngs.org.uk/mothers-day-gardens

Planting a tree for the Queen's Jubilee? This time of year is a great time, so long as the ground is not waterlogged or frozen. With our partners at the Woodland Trust find information on choosing trees, tips and hints to get you planting or simply enjoy a woodland walk at <a href="mailto:ngs.org.uk/woodlandtrust">ngs.org.uk/woodlandtrust</a>

Our new ambassador is Jo Whiley, the Radio 2 presenter. Also a new trustee, Arit Anderson, presenter on BBC Gardeners' World. We have a new partnership with the Wildlife and Wetlands Trust, for a wider understanding of the importance of wetlands and wet spaces in nature and in our gardens. Gardeners can make small changes that will have a positive impact on our natural landscape. Gail Jones, NGS

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The fan-heater under the cassock idea proved not to be such a good one

#### New Radnor Group of Churches Mother's Union

We meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 2pm in the Hub, School Lane, New Radnor. The March meeting will be on the 1st with guest speaker Reverend Petra Goodband & of course Welsh Cakes & Bara Brith!

The Mothers' Union is the world's largest lay Christian membership charity. In 2016 we celebrated 140 years of faithful outreach to families of all faiths and none. Since 1876, when Mary Sumner first brought together parents in her own Hampshire parish to build their confidence in bringing up their children, it has grown to an organisation of over four million women – and men – in over 80 countries of the world, promoting stable marriage, family life and the protection of children through praying, enabling and campaigning.

Prayer is central to the work of Mothers' Union and each day, at midday, members pause to pray. The Wave of Prayer is a continuous expression of their commitment in prayer to each other in this country and worldwide. There is a short time of worship

and then either a speaker or an activity before everyone enjoys tea and biscuits and if we are lucky cake.



All are welcome! The Mothers' Union is an inclusive organisation and welcomes men, women, parents, non-parents, grandparents, those who are married, divorced and those who are single as members. You become part of a worldwide community working together to create lasting change. As a Member or Friend you can:

- Take part in and shape advocacy for the rights of families at home and across the world
- Put your faith into action by supporting the most disadvantaged all over the world
- Develop your personal relationship with God and others through prayer and in fellowship

So come along and see what we are all about, a very warm welcome awaits you and who knows new friendships can blossom

Rev Rachael Storer, NRGC branch leader

#### Why God made mums

These were the answers given by some seven-year-olds...

Why did God make mothers?

- 1. She's the only one who knows all the passwords we use online.
- 2. Mostly to clean the house, I think.
- 3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

- 1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and one part of mean.
- 2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string, I think.
- 3. They have a lot more hair than dads, are softer to hug, and wear woolly jumpers.

What did your mum need to know about your dad before she married him?

- 1. His last name.
- 2. She had to know his background, like has he put anything too disgusting on Facebook?
- 3. She needed to check out his bank account, to make sure he could buy her clothes.

# Tref-y-clawdd W.I. - An Afternoon at the Museum!



Members, together with a few of their partners, gathered together for a rendezvous with Julia Roberts, who kindly opened up Knighton Museum for us to enjoy a sneak preview of the new and improved layout along with the many additions to the museum before it reopens in the spring.

Not only did it prove interesting, but so nostalgic, as we spotted various items that we remembered from our grandparents, our parents and, embarrassingly, things that we had owned! All seen with Julia guiding us through various sections and answering our many questions.

We tried on hats, passed the dementia baby round and generally had a lovely afternoon. To top it all off we then went next door to the Tower House Gallery for some delicious cakes and tea.

It all tied in nicely with Jean's talk last month about the various landmarks of Knighton which many of us had been unaware of.

Next month will bring us up to date with many of the wild flowers surrounding us which have been particularly noticeable during our many solo walks for the past year. One member has kept a careful tally of her observations, so we will definitely enjoy her photographs and knowledge of the local countryside.

If you would like to join our friendly and lively group please contact Dorothy 01547 528692 for further details

# **New Heights at Probus Club**

Michael Symonds took it to new heights to record the changing of the guard at Tuesday's Knighton and District Probus Club meeting. He scaled a chair to get the low-down on Simon Nix handing over the chain of office to incoming president Roger Emmins.

The club – open to retired professionals – gathers for lunch and a chat once a month at

the George and Dragon pub in Knighton and would welcome new members.

A host of speakers are being lined up for the rest of the year as well as outings and dinners.

Interested? Contact club secretary Michael Symonds by

email: knighton.probus@gmail.com

# Wildlife and Sensory Garden

Late in January, the Mayor of Knighton, Chris Branford, joined a team of volunteers at Knighton Community Centre to plant a rowan tree, which will join trees and shrubs in the new Wildlife and Sensory Garden. The garden will soon spring to life as two thousand bulbs have been planted with wildflower seeds to follow.

The Wildlife and Sensory Garden, funded with a grant from the Welsh government, is

for the whole community. Designed by Michelle Brinkhurst, it will have good access and raised beds that can be reached by those in wheelchairs. Planters, benches, a new shed, a greenhouse, a pergola are in preparation and the rowan tree will have a plaque acknowledging the Welsh government's 'Local Places for Nature' fund. Two 50 year old commemorative benches will be restored.

(Continued on page 41)







# **Probus**

Roger Emmins, left, receives chain of office from outgoing president, Simon Nix. Probus secretary Michael Symonds turns photographer.







# Candlemas at Gladestry



Altar set with candles and sculpture of Mary and Jesus

Window: Simeon, Mary and Jesus, Anna





# Candlemas at Bleddfa Ministry Area Service







# **Candlemas at Gladestry**

The second day of February marks Candlemas to celebrate the purification of the Virgin Mary. Candles are lit and placed on the altar, appropriately the Lady Chapel altar at St Mary's. In front of the altar a text from Luke, chapter 2, beginning verse 25 to 40 was read.

This is the story of the young Jesus meeting with Simeon and Anna. It is revealed to Simeon that Jesus is to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and that He is the long awaited Saviour of his people.

Michael Johnson

# Sensory Garden (Cont.)

(Continued from page 38)

The children's science and nature group and the Stay and Play group at the Comm will use the sensory garden, and there are plans for a gardening club. Visitors to the library will see the garden in flower, and perhaps sit on a new bench enjoying a coffee from the café. Volunteer gardeners will help maintain the garden which will become a place for celebrations. Already four wedding receptions are booked in this summer.

Nandita Dowson

People don't realize that now is all there ever is; there is no past or future except as memory or anticipation in your mind.

- Eckhart Tolle

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### Presentation in the Temple – Ministry Service

When we celebrated the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, which is also Candlemas. When Jesus was a baby his parents brought him to the Temple with their offering of two doves to redeem him, their first born.

He was received by OLD Simeon in the Temple who had waited a lifetime to see the Messiah. Tradition has it that he was a very old blind man, but he still knew that the little family of Mary, Joseph and Jesus were what he awaited. His mission was accomplished: "Now let your servant depart in peace." Rachael reflected on how we also might have that inner vision to see divine truth.

#### **Evancoyd News**

#### **Weathervane Damage**

People visiting St Peters will be surprised to see that the porch has been cordoned off, this is not an extreme Covid precautionary measure but it is for safety reasons. We have discovered a piece of wrought iron from the weather vane cross lying on the porch doorstep; it must have come loose and fallen during high winds (or maybe it was loosened by the Jackdaws bouncing on it). The bracket which looks so small from below is actually approximately 2 feet and weighs around 2 pounds so could potentially cause damage if it hit anything. We are hoping to assess the extent of the damage and get it repaired as soon as possible; meanwhile we shall be using the Vestry porch door for Church access.

#### **Kington Community Shop**

We are pleased to say that thanks to Olwen Morris for reserving a date, we shall be in the Community Shop from the 23 to 29 March and we very much look forward to catching up with friends and selling items we have been garnering for a couple of years. Olwen will be looking for volunteers to help behind the counter in the shop.

Article and Pictures by Joanna Winstone



Evancoyd porch cordoned off

Damaged weather vane cross



Celebrate

St David's Day at Colva Church with the Radnor Valley Band Sunday, March 6, 2.30pm

All welcome!

The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.

- Albert Einstein

#### New Radnor Group – Churchyard 30 day notice from 1 March 2022

In accordance with the Church in Wales regulations covering the maintenance of all churchyards

(17. Save for silk flowers and Remembrance Day poppies, no artificial wreaths or flowers, shrubs, permanent flower vases or containers, chippings, gravel, paving stones or kerbs shall be placed on or around any grave or area set aside for cremated remains in a churchyard)

all plastic flowers will need to be removed from graves in each of the five churchyards of the New Radnor Group of Churches, please. If any remain after 31st March 2022, they will be placed in the church porch for your collection, thank you.

The plastic flowers can be replaced by bulbs, annuals and perennial flowers.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this sensitive matter.

Regards

Reverend Rachael Storer



#### **Walks in March**

**Tue Mar 1.** SHORT WALK. <u>Circuit</u> <u>from Wapley</u> 4.5 miles, moderate. SO 359 621 Wapley Hill CP.

**Wed Mar 2.** <u>Tenbury</u> 8.5 miles, moderate. Start Exp 203 SO 597 684 Tenbury Swimming Pool car park.

**Wed Mar 9.** <u>Hundred House – to Castle Bank</u> 8 miles, moderate. Start Hundred House Car Park.

**Wed Mar 16.** The Pales 9.3 miles, moderate. Start Exp 200 SO 138 642 quarry near Pales.

**Thurs Mar 17.** SHORT WALK <u>Aymestrey and Yatton</u> 4.75 miles, moderate. Start Exp 203 SO 426658 Old quarry entrance on A4110, 0.25 miles north of Aymestrey bridge

**Wed Mar 23.** <u>Painscastle Bryngwyn Hill & Llanbedr Hill</u> 8.5 miles moderate. Start Exp 188 SO154474 from The Roasted Ox Pub.

**Wed Mar 30.** <u>Felindre</u> to Black Mountain (Glyndwr's Way). 7.5 miles, moderate. Start Exp 214 SO 170 811 Felindre Village Hall.

You are welcome any of these.

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#### Access Llangunllo 1840 Tithe Map

This parish map overleaf was prepared following The Tithe Commutation Act 1836, which allowed tithes to be paid in cash rather than in goods.

Originally a tithe, dating back to Anglo-Saxon times, was a tax or levy of 10% of land and its products, which was meant to be devoted to the upkeep of the parish church and the support of its priest or minister. All property owners had to pay this tithe and give their tenth sack of corn, tenth pig, tenth sheep, etc, directly to the priest.

Tithes were valuable and from quite early times could be "appropriated," with the "appropriator" receiving the greater part of the tithe, but from it had to pay the vicar or curate who actually took the services.

At some point, the tithe of the parish of Llangunllo, which then included the church of Pilleth, was "appropriated" to Brecon Priory. By 1840 the priory had become the collegiate church of Brecon and the Canon to benefit



Richard Price, MP for Radnorshire 1799 - 1847

was Revd Hyam Burn. He in turn "leased" the tithe Richard Price of Norton Manor, MP for Radnorshire 1799 – 1847, a descendant of the Prices of Pilleth and Monaughty and an ancestor of the present Green-Prices. Richard Price, as lessee, fixed annual paid a payment and the Canon was guaranteed a regular income, without the

trouble of collecting the tithe. No doubt the lessee also made as much "extra" as he could.

In 1840 the tithe of Llangunllo Parish, based on four thousand acres, amounted to £401

(over £43,000 today). The vicar, Rev Morgan Edwards, received a quarter of this money with the remainder going to Richard Price. The church got nothing, neither did the

diocese, except indirectly via Hyam Burn.

The local MP received the greatest proportion of the tithe in 1840

The Tithe Map gives a comprehensive picture of the landscape of the time with acreage of meadow/pasture, arable, wood, common and glebe land recorded. Alongside the map, is an accompanying schedule with the names of all owners and occupants of land in the parish, plus their payment. As tithes were no longer an actual pig or sack of corn they were "commuted" for a sum of money nominally equal to a proportion of the value of the property's land.

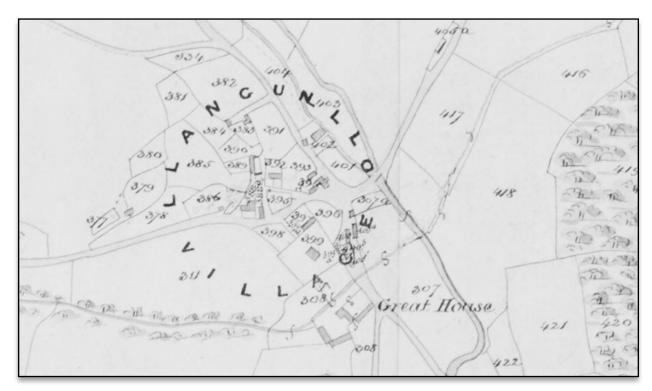
There does not appear to be any record of a tithe barn in Llangunllo; these were used by the tithe owner for storage of the goods of the tithe, especially crops. As noted earlier, the owner of the parish tithe not actually living in the parish, could possibly account for this.

Not surprisingly, tithes were unpopular, especially with farmers and in particular in Nonconformist parts of Wales. In 1914 the Welsh Church Act led to the creation of the Church in Wales, which came into effect in 1920, and tithe money was no longer received.

. Isabel Morris

with grateful thanks to Charles Kightly

Thanks to Trevor and Debbie Jones, the Llangunllo 1840 Tithe Map and access link, via the National Library of Wales, is now part of the Community Website.



Llangunllo 1840 Tithe Map, via the National Library of Wales, Some of the fields named in the legend are: Near Ox pasture, Far Ox pasture, Little cow pasture, Homestead pasture, Crabtree piece.

#### A Snap Shot of Llangunllo and the "Year of 22"

1522 – The parish was part of the "Marches of Wales", the lawless border region, with the



Radnor Forest area the most troublesome and known as "an abode of rank robbers."

A mediaeval church existed and from the 15fh Century had owned this fine processional cross.

1622 — Part of the County of Radnorshire after The Acts of Union of 1536 and 1542 and subject to English law. The village consisted of a vicarage and a number of dwellings centred on the church and the crossroads. However, most of the people still lived in outlying farms and homesteads, including Weston, Crungoed and Dolyfelin, built during Tudor times and now replaced with later dwellings.

<u>1722</u> – The Churchwarden's Accounts record the following expenditure:

For ye Black Cloth (a Pall for funerals) £1 - 12s - 6d

For Ale when the fox was killed 2/6

For destroying Jack Daws 11/-

The Churchwarden Accounts begin in 1693 and are among the earliest in Wales. Interestingly they are all written in English, albeit sometimes, "Radnorshire English!"

<u>1822</u> – Money was collected in the Parish for the poor in Ireland. A failed potato crop in the summer of 1822 and limited employment opportunities created famine in the west and southwest of the country.

Donations were received from seventeen households with the sum of £1 - 4s - 0d (£162.45 today) sent to help suffering families.

Continued overleaf

#### A Snap Shot of Llangunllo and the "Year of 22" (Cont)

1922 – The W.I. was formed on 10th April.

The War Memorial of Portland stone was erected in the village centre in memory of the seven local men who lost their lives in the First World War and dedicated at a ceremony led by the Bishop of Swansea.

The land for the memorial was donated by Mr Bryan of Crungoed and local subscriptions raised £215 - 18s - 7d (just over £13,000 today) to fund the construction.

<u>2022</u> – Keep reading "The Radnor" of course! *Isabel Morris.* 



Unveiling the War Memorial

Ref: History of Llangunllo – Charles Kightly,

Church Records, War Memorial Trust.

#### Llangunllo 200 Club Results

Nov 2021 £20 Kath Poole

£10 Joyce Lewis, Carters Farm

£5 David Gavin and Tony Vogel

Dec 2021

£20 Charles Kightly

£10 Haydn Jones

£5 James Duggan and Andy and Corina

January 2022

£20 Richard Lloyd

£10 Jane Andrews

£5 Matt Pugh and Ryan Davies

February 2022

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March 2022

£20.00 John Lewis Griffinlloyd

£10 Oz Kelly

£5 Jamie Price

£5 James Williams

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Tue 1	Shrove Tuesday & St David's Day Mother's Union, TheHub, 2pm. Whitton W.I. Village Hall, 7pm Stowe & Stanage WI, Reynolds Rm at Knighton Comm, 2.30pm							
Wed 2	Ash Wednesday, 1st day of Lent Service at St Mary's, N R, 6.30pm Felindre W.I Radnorshire Arms, Beguildy, noon. Tref-y-Clawdd WI, St Ed's Hall, 7pm							
Thur 3	Toddler Group, Baptist Church, 10- 11.30							
Fri 4	Llanfair W.I. Everest Hall, 7pm,							
Sat 5	Bingo, St Edward's Hall, 7pm Faustus, Knighton Comm, 7pm							
Sun 6	Colva Church, St David's Day, 2.30 Male Voice Choir, Knighton Comm 2pm.							
Tue 8	International Women's Day, Knighton Comm, 10-4pm Whitton Coffee Morning, 1030-12 Creative Writing, Knighton Comm 11-1pm Lent Course, N.R. Hub, 10-11.30							
Wed 9	Book/jigsaw swap, Walton Hall,10-1 Lent Course, 1 Ystrad House, 11am Communion, New Radnor Rectory, 10am Floral Arts, Presteigne Memorial Hall, 7.30pm							
Thur 10	Chatterbrook W.I. Presteigne Memorial Hall 7.30 Lent Course, Meth Church, 7.30-9							
Sat 12	Knighton Community Market, Comm, 9.30-12.30. Music in N.R. Comm Hall, 7.30. Male Voice Choir, Albert Hall, Llandod, 7.30pm.							

Mon 14	Teme Valley Gardening, Knucklas Comm 7.30pm
	Arrow Freemasons Lodge, Kington Masonic Hall, 6pm
Tue 15	Hearing Aid Clinic, Knighton, 10-1 Teme Freemasons Lodge, Whitton Comm Hall, 6pm.
Wed 16	Beacon Hill Benefice PCC 7pm Knucklas Comm
Sat 19	Coffee Morning, St Ed's Hall, 10.30
Sun 20	First Day of Spring
	AnnA Concert, N.R. Hub, 3pm
Mon 21	World Poetry Day
23-29	Evancoyd at Knigton Community Shop
Sun 27	Messy Church, Knucklas Comm 4pm
March	Lent Course begins at N.R. Rectory,
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Summer Time starts 27 March:

Clocks go forward



# Grid References and Church Postcodes

Beguildy	SO 194797	LD7 1YE
Bleddfa	SO 206683	LD7 1PA
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#### **REGISTERS:**

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#### **Funerals**

15 Feb St Edward's Knighton and Herefod Crem Brenda Aspley 86

Our Ministry Area hosts a Zoom Service every Sunday at 6pm. If you haven't joined zoom before contact Revds Petra or Rachael for the link.

**New Radnor Group Midweek Communion** on the second Wednesday of the month (9 March) at the Rectory New Radnor. Wear masks, please.

#### **Baptist Sunday Worship - March**

- 6 Norton Street, 11am, Communion Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 13 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
- 20 Norton Street, 11am, Morning Service, joint service with Methodists Knucklas Chapel, 6pm.
- Norton St, 11am, Morning WorshipKnucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm

#### **Knighton Roman Catholic Church**

Service every Sunday at 11am.

#### **Methodist Sunday Worship - March**

Service at Victoria Road, Knighton every Sunday at 11am.

- 6 Rev Neil Richardson Communion
- 13 Local Arrangement
- 20 Baptists join us for a united service
- 27 Mr Adrian Williams
- 3 Apr Rev Kim Stilwell

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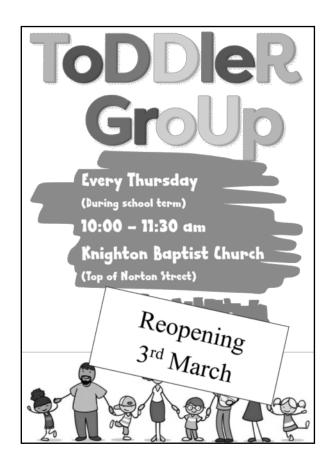
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Our garden flowers on Feb 14, Laura W-J →







Garden Flowers











New Radnor				East Radnor						Beacon Hill										
New Radnor St Mary	<b>Llan'l Nant Melan</b> St Michael	<b>Gladestry</b> St Mary	St Peter	Colva St David	St David	Whitton	Pilleth St Mary	Norton St Andrew	St Edward	Beguildy St Michael Bleddfa Mary Magdalene Heyope St David Llangunllo St Cynllo Cascob St Michael Knighton Ct Edward		Readings				March 2022				
				Holy	New Radnor	St Mary's	6:30pm				St Edward's Knighton	10:30am				2 Corinthians 5.20b -6.10; John 8.1-11	Psalm 51.1-17	Isaiah 58.1-12	Ash Wed Purple	2 March
No Service	No Service	11am Holy Communion	Morning Worship	2.30pm Even'g Prayer	Morning Worship	9.30am	No Service	No Service	Holy Communion	11am	3.00pm Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	7.30pm Compline	No Service	Romans 10. 8b-13 Luke 4. 1-13	Psalm 91. 1-11	Deuteronomy 26. 1-11	Purple	6 March Lent 1
10am Morning Prayer in Comm Hall	No Service	No Service	Holy Communion	No Service	Holy Communion	9.30am	No Service	No Service	Morning Worship	9.30am	No Service	No Service	11am Holy Communion	No Service	No Service	Philippians 3.17 – 4.1 Luke 13. 31-35	Psalm 27	Genesis 15.1-12,17,18	Purple	13 March Lent 2
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