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Knighton Inns in the Centre

Watson's Ale House

Watson's Ale House, just up the Narrows in Knighton, doesn't quite fit into a study of Pubs. It opened in Dec 2017 but you may never have noticed it, as it looks like a shop. In the past it has been a series of shops: Sweets, Marriot the Butcher, Polly's Tea Shop.



When Watson's was a Sweet Shop

Being an Ale House, it specialises in a good selection of real ales and ciders, rotated frequently. But it also provides the modern range of shots and gins. It is the only pub in Knighton to be in the CAMRA (Campaign for Real Ale) guide this year.

It's a relaxed and friendly place where customers, young and old, sit together and have a natter, without loud music. It does have special nights with Karaoke or sports on screen, but customers can escape to a quieter corner.

Watson's doesn't do food, except for weekend specialities made by Hattie, wife of John Watson, the owner from Abbey-cwm-hir. They grow their own veg for specials offered to the lucky ones arriving while stocks last. But you can always eat your fish and chips from next door.

With the difficulties of the hospitality trade during Covid, they are trying new ventures. Carter, the manager, has added a gigantic widescreen TV for sports and movies, but they'll be trying it out for Virtual Reality as well.

They are fortunate to be the only pub in Knighton with a large garden space. Walkers frequent the ale house, as do dogs and their owners, appreciative of the doggie basket.

See pages 10-11 for what they have done for the Ukraine crisis.

The Red Lion

At the crossroads by the Clock Tower stands **The Red Lion**, (*photos on page 9*) which started life as a coaching inn around 1850. It soon changed its clientele when the railway arrived in 1868.

In the late 1890's into the 20th century it was the place where farmers particularly, struck a trade deal. In the 1930's it began an association with sport as its accommodation was geared towards cyclists. In more recent times it was best known by Sports Clubs: Rugby, Football, Cricket. They all ended practice or a match at **The Red Lion**.

It served the community as a pub continuously until 2008 when it closed. For some time later it was a warehouse for herbal remedies sold over the Internet.

The present owner, Neil, bought it in 2015 when he made a few changes: moving the bar from its position where the two sofas are, installing a doorway and staircase where once was a server and snug. The stairs lead to four B & B rooms, with Hypnos beds for a best night's sleep. For three years its restaurant was much appreciated, but now it is only accommodation.

(Knighton pubs continues on pp 10-11)

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Dear friends,

With so much bad news in the world today, it is re-assuring that we have something to celebrate on the horizon. This month, we celebrate Easter, not not Easter eggs, not a long weekend off work, for some that is, not the Easter bunny, but the rising of Jesus from the dead! He died on the cross but he defeated death on the third day. At Easter we remember all that Jesus did for us. John 20 verse 1 says "Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance." It was rolled away so that others were able to get in and see that Jesus had gone. Neither the tomb, nor death could keep Jesus in that place.

Jesus' death and resurrection gives us all hope that when we put our faith, and trust in him we will receive eternal life. The Easter story is one that should always bring joy into our lives.

Like Mary and the disciples, we may pass through several stages of belief, at first, we may think that the resurrection is just a story, impossible to believe, we may be puzzled about what really happened, and only when we encounter Jesus in our lives are we fully able to accept the facts of the resurrection, after which we are able to commit ourselves and able to devote our lives to him.

For some, belief is a long process, for others it can be very quick, God understands our doubts, frustrations, and rocky journeys, and is always willing to help us through them.

Let us continue to look forward to better times ahead, but in the meantime let us not miss the joy, the hope, the light, and the incredible love shown in the resurrection. Alleluia! Christ is risen. Happy Easter. Keep well; keep safe; keep praying; and may God bless you.

Rachael

Cover - Angels Tend Jesus in the Garden

The cover image shows the angels tending a prayerful Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane on the night before he was crucified. The two figures in the foreground are two disciples who slept through Jesus's agony. In his loneliness he woke them and said, *"Couldn't you watch with me one hour?"* But they dropped off to sleep again, impervious to his suffering. Angels arrived to strengthen him. One held a chalice, a reference to Jesus' prayers: *"Let this cup pass from me. But not my will but thine be done."* That cup of suffering wrung sweat from Jesus like drops of blood.

The image is from the church of Chester-le-Street, a historic church which housed the bones of St Cuthbert from 883 when the Lindisfarne monks brought them and the Lindisfarne gospels for safekeeping from Viking Raids. They were moved in 995 and eventually housed in Durham Cathedral.

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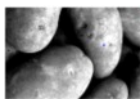
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The Happiest Memories at Evancoyd

Easter 2022 at Evancoyd marks two important anniversaries in our family: 100 years since my Mum, Gwynfil, was born



April 5, 1947

on Good Friday at Maes-Traylow (between Evenjobb and Whitton) and 75 years since she married at St Peter's on Easter Saturday.

My staunchly Baptist grandfather Charlie Williams coached Mum and

her sister Gladys to sing together at afternoon services at the chapel in Evenjobb but her happiest memories were of Evancoyd's morning services where she took her regular place in the choir stalls. During her final years, whenever visiting, she would always look out her old pew.

At fourteen, like many girls leaving school in rural communities, Mum's future lay in domestic service. Always home-sick, her positions were never far away from the Williams' family home, Valley Farm at the end of Rhos Lane, Evancoyd. Firstly to Newcastle Court, a field's-length from her home, and also to Evancoyd's vicarage where she served as a housemaid. Many years later, Anthea and I enjoyed several stays at the vicarage, now a comfortable B&B, and it was wonderful to imagine Mum walking through those same rooms as a young woman.

The outbreak of hostilities saw Mum serving in the NAAFI near Hereford where her future husband's RAF posting saw him training radio operators. My Dad, Jack, was a Londoner, growing up in Kensington, just a short walk from Hyde Park where he played as a child.

Dad was a keen cyclist and the route which he cycled, from Hereford to Evenjobb to meet

his future in-laws, is one I always keep in mind when we travel along those same roads. Mum and Dad enjoyed their tandem and once pedalled to Evenjobb from London, an event entering

Williams family folklore. Sadly I have no idea of their route, nor how many days the adventure took, but I rather think that the machine made its return journey via goods van to Paddington station!



Sometime between 1948-50

The vast collection of local maps he left when he died demonstrated the love he had for the area, and explains the shouts of excitement whenever a vehicle sporting a Radnorshire FO registration was spotted.

All of this, with my own happy childhood memories of holidays at my grandparents' smallholding, snowed-in for weeks on end, or bottle-feeding young lambs, and now with the wonderful sense of community and fellowship



Grandma supervising David

whenever we drive from Cheshire to join Sunday services at Evancoyd, account for this corner of the Radnor Valley being my own happiest place.

Throughout her life, until she died in 2011, Mum always called this place "Home" and it's fitting that she is at rest, with Dad, just a few short yards from where they stood for their wedding photograph on that happy day.

David Barker

Duke's Arms

On the opposite corner to **The Red Lion** stands the old Barclay's Bank, now flats. But before the bank was built it was another coaching inn, the **Duke's Arms** or **Old Duke**, an important post and coaching inn in the late 1700's to early 1800's. It was probably named for the Duke of Chandos. It closed in 1831.

The drawing shown opposite from 1883 shows the building as a Draper's shop; then it became the Birmingham and Counties Bank. The building was finally demolished in 1892 to become Barclays Bank.

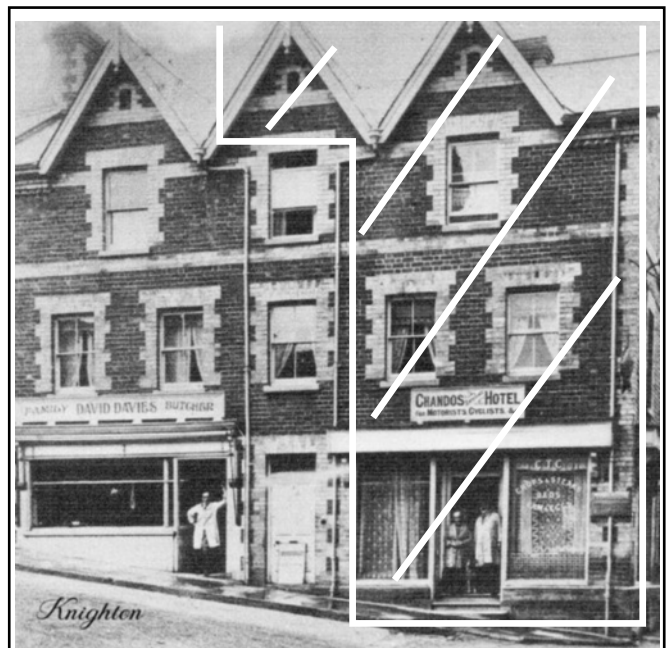
Chandos Arms Hotel

Opposite the present clock tower was the **Chandos Arms Hotel**. The Duke of Chandos was Lord Lieutenannt of Radnorshire in 1721. Handel composed the "*Chandos Anthems*."

The hotel was a private home owned first by the Brydges family, but the head of the family later became the Duke of Chandos. Then it was owned by Richard Price until it became a hotel in 1824. At that time the **Duke's Arms** closed, so it took over as the main coaching inn as well as Post Office. Later it added the Internal Revenue Service.

The Hereford Journal [Facebook - 'Knighton Memories'] on a Royal Christening in 1842.

"...the Ball at the Chandos Arms was brilliantly and numerously attended, the company numbering 140 persons,...Mrs Rogers and R. Price, Esq. M.P. opened the Ball with the old English country dance, followed in rapid succession by the more graceful quadrille and lively waltz. At 12 the supper-room was thrown open, and a rich display of various delicacies was arranged. The ... celebration of the christening of our Prince, will be remembered as one of the brightest and gayest days of our existence."



The Chandos Hotel (for motorists and cyclists) in the 1860's. The butcher, David Davies stands in the doorway of what is now the Kebab shop. All of the hatched area was demolished in 1931-2 to widen West Street.

The **Chandos Arms** closed in 1867, but re-opened four years later as a **Temperance Hotel**. It closed as a hotel when in 1931-2 half of the building on the West Street side was demolished to widen the road, which only had room for a horse and cart. The Hotel extended further back than now, and petrol was sold on the West Street side. ➡

The Chandos continued to run as a hotel and in the war years it housed refugees, factory workers, and armed forces from other nations. Finally in 1966 it closed as a hotel, traded as a butcher's and happily now it is a friendly kebab house where you can watch your food being cooked. It has retained its name, **Chandos**, and they say that original oak panelling is behind the formica walls.

Article and photos by Laura W-J

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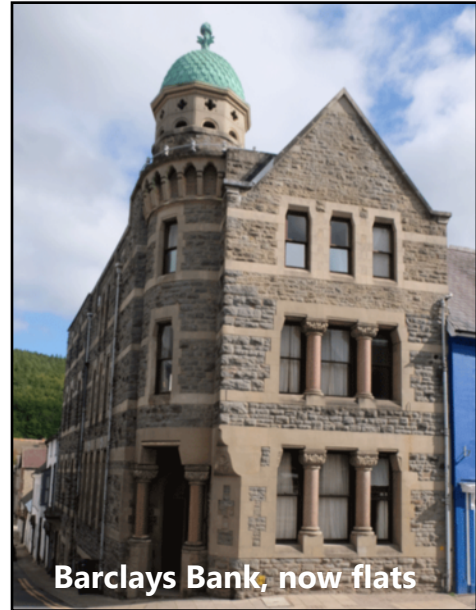
David Owen at Watson's. Neil at The Red Lion

Chandos

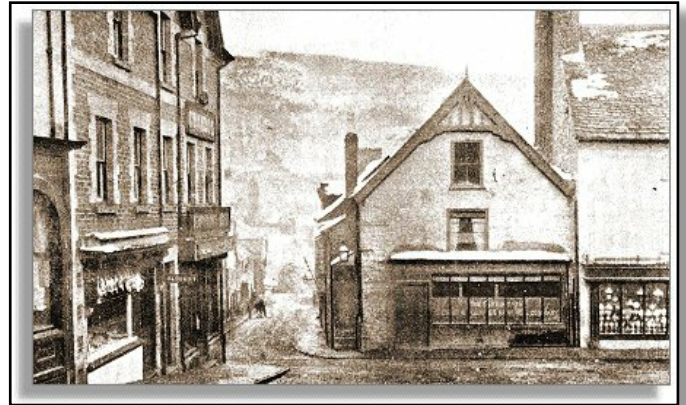


Once the most important hotels in Knighton

Site of Duke's Arms



Barclays Bank, now flats



1883 drawing of Draper's Shop & Chandos on the left (includes both shop fronts)

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The Red Lion



My Favourite Thing at St David's Heyope



Watson's Ukraine Appeal



The pool room at Watson's piled with boxed donations for delivery to Ukrainian refugees in Poland.



Sign appealing for urgent help – only a week for collecting.



Delivery van and wagon

Favourite Thing – Heyope Spire

My favourite thing at St David's Heyope is our spire. It is called a "broach spire" in the books, which simply means a bit of masonry helping to make a transition from a square tower to an octagonal spire.

Years ago I was impressed as I travelled by train through Austria. Tall spires rose in the forested hills, marking the importance of the church.

It's the same in the little Heyope Valley. From my conservatory, a quarter of a mile away, the top of St David's spire rises above the fields. Up and down our valley drivers will note the landmark of a Christian church, of faith still alive. The elegant spire speaks of something enduring.

The spire has some missing shingles and the jackdaws enjoy life inside. We hope the spire will survive for years to come.

Laura Woodside-Jones

Watson's Ukraine Support

Watson's Ale House along with RS Connect made the most amazing collection for Ukraine. Watson's manager, Carter, who also works for RS Connect, had use of his large work van and trailer, as well as a driver, for the following Sunday.

Thus began a continual stream of locals with bags and boxes of goods. Within less than a week the generous people of Knighton and surrounding area more than filled a van with nappies, baby wipes, sanitary products, toiletries and baby clothes for Ukrainian refugees at the Polish border. Carter said, "I can't thank you all enough for your support in this given my tight timescale. What community!"

RS Connect also doubled all monetary donations. Even children brought their pocket money. They raised over £2000.

Carter's Polish contact, Lea, is heading up the Ukrainian refugee camps alongside Poland's fire brigade. She and two engineers drove to Sieniawa in Poland very close to the Ukraine border, the immediate camps for refugees. They dropped off aid at their Community Centre close to the camps.

Local people here also gave clothing, blankets, medical supplies which Watson's has taken to their contact in Llandrindod Wells. These will be delivered by the army.

Watson's and RS Connect hope to organise another trip.

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Mon 2 May Oak Cottage see above.

Llysdimam Gardens, near Newbridge-on-Wye is now open by appointment to see the daffodils (£5) also some limited spaces for booked groups of between 4-10 people for guided walk, tea and cake (£12).

Many gardens are open in May. Further details: www.ngs.org.uk



*Gail Jones
Country Publicity Officer, South Ponys*

World Earth Day 22 April

It may surprise you that World Earth Day is not another knee jerk response to the environmental issues that have been in the headlines in recent months.

World Earth Day started 50 years ago in 1970 with the mission to invest in the future by taking action, not just because we care about

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**WEDNESDAY 27th
April 2022
THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
7.30 PM**

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EVERYONE WELCOME**

Gladestry 49 Club

Spring is coming and so do the winners keep coming! Here they are for January and February: Bob Terry, Dave Bowen, Kathy and Martin Gimmett, John Cook, rollover, Sue Mullin (double winner), Sue Robinson, Betty Johnson, rollover and finally, Andrea Croose (another double winner).

Take care everyone, and stay safe.

Michael Johnson

Think where man's glory most begins and
ends, and say my glory was I had such
friends.

- William Butler Yeats

March gets off to a flying start at Knighton Comm

Newtown Male Voice Choir

The Newtown Male Voice Choir performed their first concert together for 2 years – leading celebrations for St David's Day at Knighton Comm on Saturday 5 March – a fantastic concert by all accounts.



International Women's Day

Tuesday 8 March saw a wonderful **International Women's Day** at Knighton Comm. Dozens of people contributed to the first international women's day that the Comm had held and the Comm filled up as the day went on. Women young and old from all round the area took part and some men too, as the theme was women but the day was for everyone.

"We were all delighted with how well the day evolved," said Annie England, volunteer co-ordinator at the Comm, who co-ordinated the event along with the Comm staff and a big team of volunteers. *"We have had so much positive and encouraging feedback from all those who attended. The great turnout was absolutely amazing given it was the first time we have ever run such an event."*

Throughout the day people were treated to an exhibition of women's handicrafts, an art workshop, a creative writing workshop and readings on the theme of women, international women's day exhibition, women's bicycle ride, hand massage and a fitness class. Many of these are activities that go on in the Comm, but this time there was a women's theme and an opportunity for people to try out new things. *"I really enjoyed every minute of it,"* said Rev Petra Goodband who had taken part in a paint-pouring workshop – *"I didn't*

think I was an artist but I produced something beautiful."

Perhaps the highlight of the day was "Soundbites," an amazing collection of talks by local women that took place in the afternoon. What an inspiration! Fifteen women spoke for ten minutes each and each of them was greeted with rapt attention by an appreciative audience. *"Some of them were really brave,"* said Christine Brooks who *"thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. It must be so hard to say all of this to an audience."*

The speakers were such different women, some funny, some philosophical, some practical with their hands. All of them had made great steps in their lives, many of them overcoming health and social hurdles and low expectations by those around them to find their own way to work and create in so many fields, becoming clergy, professionals or businesswomen with different skills.

An astonishing afternoon as no one had expected quite such interesting talks and the enthusiasm of participants made it likely that the event will become an annual feature!

*Nandita Dowson
for Knighton Community Centre*

Failure at some point in your life is inevitable, but giving up is unforgivable.

- Joe Biden

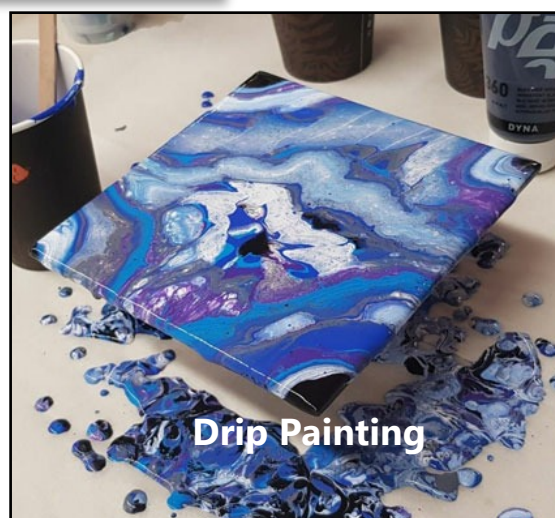


Soundbites

International Women's Day



Hand massage



Drip Painting



Cycle Run



Willow's stall



Keep fit

Tref-y-clawdd W.I.



Bluebell Wood



Marsh Marigolds



Lords and Ladies



Red Campion



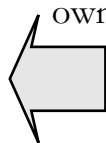
Primrose

Photos by Mags

Tref-y-clawdd W.I.



Our February meeting had a very good speaker -- Mags, who spoke to us about her lockdown walks and how they extended as the rules changed throughout. She is passionate about wild flowers and took hundreds of beautiful photographs of the changing scenery and wild flowers she encountered each day. She knows the Latin and common names of most of them and showed some fascinating slides to us all of the various species -- some more prevalent in our own beautiful area. We will all look with more interest at the abundance of colours now that we've been a little more educated by such an expert.



We also welcomed a new potential member to the meeting, so gradually we are feeling that

we're regaining our normal lives again. A couple of our members go to a W.I. craft group in Powys and on St David's Day we all appropriately made lovely daffodils, which was fun.

Next month, Jean Price is going to show us all how to do a simple Easter table display with the flowers in our gardens. As we know how expert she is I'm sure they'll be wonderful and we'll look forward to learning a few tips and guidance to improve our paltry efforts.

As always we welcome visitors and new members. Please contact Dorothy for details 01547 528692 There is always tea and biscuits and fun to be had at our friendly meetings.

Dorothy Symonds

Stowe & Stanage W.I.

Four members enjoyed the federation's St David's Day event held at Crossgates. The programme included wonderful singing in Welsh and some interesting stories about famous Welsh women, including Betty Campbell who was the first black headteacher in the country and whose statue stands in Cardiff.

We agreed to send a message to Her Majesty on her Platinum Jubilee from our W.I. via the Thankbox online service organised by our national federation.

Sadly, the speaker on wedding dresses was unwell and unable to come to our meeting, so our visit to Knighton Museum was brought forward. We were welcomed by Julia and

Laura, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed a trip down memory lane with many artefacts familiar from their childhood! George, the KINDA baby, was a great hit. Being very lifelike he was cuddled by several of us.

Afterwards we enjoyed a splendid tea in Tower House Gallery where we sampled delicious cakes. Jenny thanked Julia for a wonderful afternoon and made a donation from the W.I. which Julia will put towards a crib for baby George.

We hope that on 5th April Lynne Danby will tell us about 200 years of wedding dresses. Do join us at 2.30pm in the Reynolds Room.

Alison Thomas

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The human spirit will endure sickness;
but a broken spirit – who can bear?

Proverbs 18.14

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St Edward's Church News

We pray for peace and remember all who are suffering caused by war.

We remember all who are unwell, especially June Ruff, Pauline Parker & Gwen Morgan. Our thoughts are with all recently bereaved.

The funeral of David Bennett took place on 11 Feb at Hereford Crematorium. He passed away in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, aged 64. The service included a favourite poem and "*Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer*", followed by the Welsh national anthem. A member of the Royal British Legion, he was a long time Parade Marshall at our armistice service. We remember his family & friends in this sad time.

Following a private cremation at Hereford, a service of celebration took place in St. Edward's on 15 Feb for the life of Brenda Aspley, who passed away on 23 January aged 86. Rev Petra Goodband spoke of Brenda as church member and sports person who played golf and bowls. The bible reading was spoken by Rebe Brick, sister of Brenda. Hymns: "*Lord of all Hopefulness*" and "*O Lord my God*". Our thoughts are with Wayne and the family as they mourn the loss of Brenda.

Knighton and Norton were shocked at the sudden death of Anne Preston on 9 Feb, aged 64. The funeral took place in St Edward's on 24 Feb, conducted by Rev Petra. Hymns were "*Morning has Broken*" and "*Away in a Manger*". Elizabeth (daughter) recited a favourite poem. The eulogy reminded us of Anne's early days on the family farm in Norton, her love of animals, showing Kerry Hill sheep at shows with her father. She helped with the Sunday School. Anne was laid to rest in St. Andrew's churchyard at Norton. Our thoughts are with David, Jack and Elizabeth, and friends and family.

Well Done

Congratulations to the Flower Box for their wreath depicting the head of a Kerry Hill sheep in flowers. It was admired by so many at the funeral of Anne Preston.

Bingo

Come along and join the fun playing bingo on 2 April at 7pm in the church hall. All welcome! Funds for hall maintenance.

Coffee Morning

April 16, 10am in the Hall is our first social spring event. Join us for coffee, chat, and the chance to buy produce, cakes, books, and bric-a-brac. Grand draw and competitions; profits to St. Edward's church funds.

Competition Winners

The winners of our February coffee morning were: Derrick Price, Jenny Bevan, David Minton, Iris Greaves, Joyce Wells, June Jones. Thank you to all who supported the event, which raised £180, especially as the weather was rather nasty and cold. If you would like to donate items or provide a draw prize please bring them along or contact 528260 to arrange for us to collect.

Easter Lilies

Easter Sunday is 17 April when we hope to have the usual display of beautiful white lilies. Would you like to donate the price of a lily in memory of a loved one? A list of those remembered will be arranged in church. Please contact Jean Price.

Church Hall

The roof fund still has more tiles to sell – £10 each. Your name will be etched on each tile you purchase. Contact Derrick Price.

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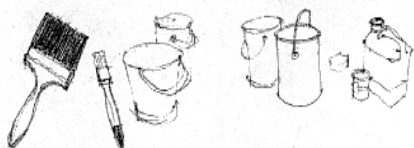
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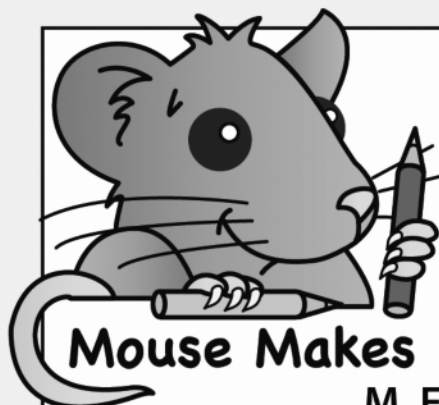
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Who denied Jesus?

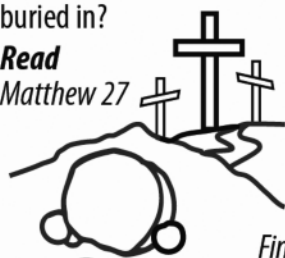
Read Matthew 26:17-75



What did the soldiers put on Jesus at his crucifixion?
What time did Jesus die?
Whose tomb was Jesus buried in?

Read

Matthew 27



Find these words from the Easter story in the word search:

DONKEY • ROAD • BRANCHES • PALMS • KING • HOSANNA
PASSOVER • ROOM • BREAD • WINE • CUP • MEAL • BODY • BLOOD
KISS • MESSIAH • CHRIST • JESUS • CRUCIFY • CROWN • THORNS
ROBE • TREE • NAILS • CROSS • DARKNESS • QUAKE • DEATH • LOTS
TOMB • LINEN • STONE • BODY • BURY • THREE DAYS • MORNING
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What did Jesus send the disciples to find?

What did the crowd do?

Read Matthew 21:1-11



What did Jesus do at Passover?

Read Matthew 26:17-30



On the third day who rolled away the stone covering the tomb?

What had happened to Jesus?

Read

Matthew 28



St David's Day Celebration

The Ministry Area celebration of St David's Day was a joy. Almost 60 people came to Whitton Community Hall anticipating words from our former Archbishop, Bishop John. Judy North played familiar Welsh tunes like: *'All Through the Night'* and *'Ashgrove'* on the piano as we entered. The Llanfair Singers led great Welsh hymn singing of *'Jesu lover of my soul'* and others, but they also treated us to the much loved *'Calon Lan'* (a plea for a pure heart) and *'Myvanny'* sung beautifully in Welsh, the language of the angels.

Petra led our Celtic Service with the prayer to *"Enter our darkness with your light"*. Our readings, both Bible and poetry, rejoiced in that light from daffodils, doves, and the power of the word. We heard the story of an old, silent man in a care home spontaneously reciting the text of Wordsworth's *"Daffodils."* From the darkness of his life had arisen the poem from childhood.

Bishop John called upon us to *"blaze for God"* like David, the *'Waterman'*. He drew upon threads of St David's life and our traditions to challenge us to *"burn brightly"* as saints. Legends from David's life of drinking poison with no ill effect or standing up to his neck in cold water while reading the Bible might be improbable, but we also have stories of kindness and hard work pointing the way for us. Bishop John assured us that we are all saints who, like David, can do the *"little things."* We can blaze as a fire in our own worlds with a word of kindness or by our silence. A simple act of kindness might change someone's day. Despite confessing our *"flickering flames, our faltering steps and fickle friendships"*, we could still be illumined and guided by Christ's light.

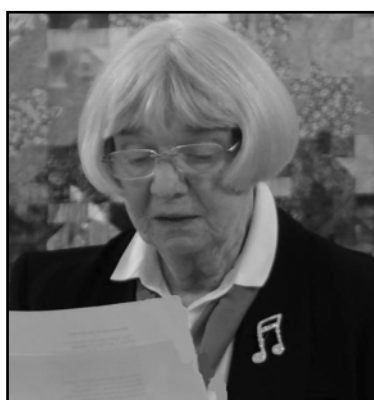
We sang the rousing National Anthem and offered £212.30 to the Day Centre and Home Support for East Radnorshire Care Ltd.

Laura W-J

Three wardens representing three St David's Churches



Colin Pugh – Whitton



Judy North – Heyope



Rosalind Tarrant – Colva

Annual Vestry Meetings (AVMs)

Beacon Hill Benefice

Monday April 4th

Knuckles Comm, 7pm

East Radnor Benefice

Wednesday, April 6th

St Edward's Church, 7pm

I am not young but I feel young. The day I feel old, I will go to bed and stay there. I feel that to live is a wonderful thing.

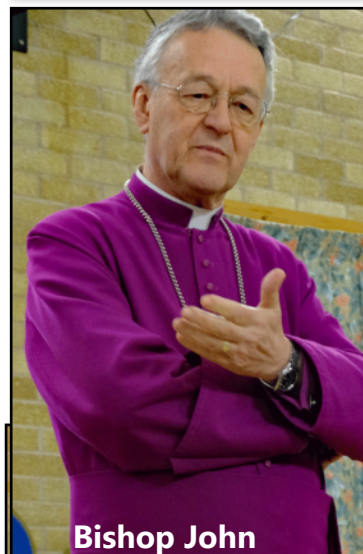
- Coco Chanel



Graham Trew



Llanfair Singers



Bishop John



Maureen and Isabel



Pam Livingstone-Lawn

St David's Day



Revds Rachael & Petra having a giggle



**Gill Burfitt, Judy North, Anna Pearson,
(back to us) Rosalind Tarrant**

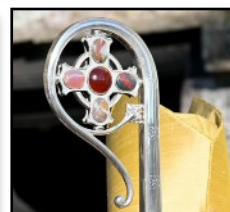


Bruce, Sue, Alison



Rebe and Dot

Consecration



Bishop John receiving Bible from Archbishop Andrew Pectoral Cross, Episcopal Ring, Crozier

Enthronement at Brecon Cathedral



Verger leads the Bishop



Bishop John Blesses Congregation



Consecration and Enthronement of Bishop John

Consecration: Feb 26

Our new Bishop of Swansea and Brecon, John Lomas, and the Assistant Bishop in Bangor, Mary Stallard, were consecrated in a service at St Deiniol's Cathedral in Bangor on Feb 26. It and the Enthronement were live streamed, and you may still watch it.

The service was led by the Archbishop of Wales, Andrew John, who is also the Bishop of Bangor. Our new Bishop John was anointed with holy oil and presented with the symbols of office: the episcopal ring, a pectoral cross and mitre, a Bible and a pastoral staff.

New music, composed for the occasion, was performed for the first time at the service. The choir of Saint Deiniol's Cathedral sang a setting of the Communion texts by Joe Cooper, based on the melodies of well-known Welsh hymns. A special anthem, composed by Simon Ogdon, was sung at a high point in the service, immediately before the two new bishops were ordained.

Church in Wales Website



Enthronement: March 5

Our new Bishop was “enthroned” at Brecon Cathedral on the following Saturday. The service was full of ancient traditions like the Bishop knocking on the cathedral door to be allowed in.

He preached about the great Old Testament prophet Elijah, who was prophesying during a troubled time when Jezebel, the wicked queen, had sent her henchmen to kill Elijah. He runs for his life. God visits him in a special way by feeding him and giving him rest.

Elijah moans to God that he is the only believer left, but God reassures him that there are 7,000 left. He is not alone.

God appears before Elijah who expects to see him in an earthquake, in a fire, in a rushing wind. But he appears in the quiet, in the “*still small voice*”.

Bishop John's message for all of us was **“Look and listen for the unexpected God.”**

Diocese of Swansea and Brecon Website

Petra said this about Bishop John:

“A lovely time was had by all at Bishop John Lomas' enthronement. He is a very pleasant man and it was a joy to listen to his sermon. I look forward to meeting him soon and arranging a time for him to get to know the East Radnor Ministry Area and its people. Keep Bishop John in your prayers as he settles into this new role.”

Who has a harder fight than he who is striving to overcome himself.

- Thomas a Kempis

Glyn Lewis Remembered

It is with sadness that we remember Glyn Lewis, friend and former Churchwarden of Bleddfa, who died on 22 February.

Glyn was a Churchwarden with me and with the support of his wife, Rachael, they were fundamental in saving Bleddfa Church from financial crisis in the 1980's. They organised a number of eye-catching events such as the Sinclair C5 electric car sponsored drive from Bleddfa to Llandrindod Lake. The Summerthing Special event at *Dol-Llugan raised thousands and attracted many hundreds of people.

This enabled the church to undertake a restoration programme that re-roofed the porch and tower and enabled the bells to be fitted to a new frame with new ringing hardware. More recently Glyn organised rally marshalling in Radnor Forest that raised money to restore the Parish Chest and Bier and pay for the photo frames that adorn the church with pictures of parish interest.

Please remember Glyn, Rachael and their children: Terry, Mark and Julie in your prayers.

Graham George

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- Celia Jones

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too for a few more volunteers, once a month.

Idris Lloyd: Memories, Possibly 1935 - 36

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

First memory of Price Jones was when he lived in a field beyond the Runnis Chapel. The field was part of Clee's Tregodfa. His tent was shaped like a tunnel and was greyish white. He had a light weight flat bed two wheeled pony drawn cart. By day he travelled around the locality calling at cottages and farms collecting or buying scrap iron, sheep's wool, rags, rabbit skins, bones and other items that people were glad to get rid of. These items I think he sold to a shop in the square in Knighton. I believe the people who had the shop had a connection with Evans, The Waterhouse, who collected dead animals.

Price Jones, in about 1939, moved out of his tent to a cottage in the Dutlas. The cottage was down a track by the bridge at Dutlas. The track went down between a cottage and Dutlas shop to the edge of the River Teme. The cottage had the Teme close to one end and a stream to the rear. Price Jones carried on his business from there and kept his cart adjacent to the cottage.

His pony was then taken to a field farmed by Mr. Jack Price Tyn-y-cefn. One of my jobs was helping to catch the pony. It was released in the field with a halter which made it easier to catch. Sometimes the halter would break

and he would pay me three pence or six pence to find the chain in the long grass or thistles.

Unfortunately Mr. Jones died of exposure one Thursday night during the war. It was believed he came home from Knighton on Owen's 7pm. bus. It was a dark night during the winter months. He possibly had a few drinks in Knighton, lost his way in the darkness and slipped over the edge of the bank and fell down by the stream. He was found next day by Mr. Higgins of the shop and was sadly missed by the villagers of Dutlas. The cottage by the Teme was then occupied by a lady who I think was named Betsy Brick. It was rumoured that she always had a hen in her clothing which she carried round with her. Another occupant of the cottage was a Mr Tunna, originally from Wallasey. He lived there from 1942 -1945. He spent the war years rabbit catching on local farms.

He borrowed my bicycle to go to Beguildy and arrived back with the bike broken into two parts, handlebars and front wheels in one hand and rear wheel and frame in the other.

Those are my childhood memories and may not be accurate. They are as I remember the time. If anyone thinks they are wrong I apologise for my mistakes.

26 May 2017 (Idris' story continues next month.)

Litter Picks in Knighton

April 24 meet Knighton Community Centre
Start time 10 am. Bring your own gloves. All other equipment provided. Maximum one hour. Refreshments afterwards. Organised by Teme Valley Environment Group (TVEG)
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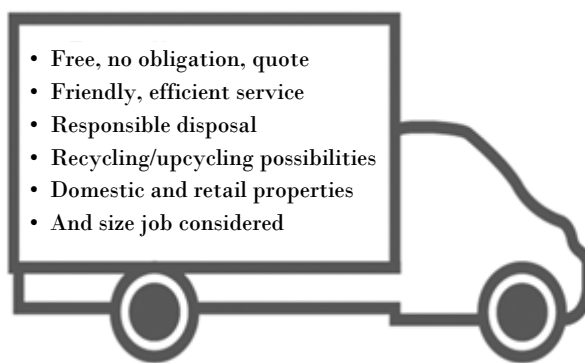


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Flora

Spring is here, a highlight in the gardening year. It is the season of Easter, the name derived from Eastre, the goddess of spring, in whose month of April the festival always falls. The earth comes to life to give us its bounty of flowers, emblems of resurrection.

Rockeries look like a pretty carpet with grape hyacinths, bluebells, erythroniums, primula, mini daffodils, brightening up the duller days. Trees and shrubs provide delicate blossom of pink and white and the joy of bird song, especially the blackbird with his haunting song, a real Pavarotti.

Vibrant jewel tulip colours are popular and the more unusual varieties such as the double angeliques and parrot tulips are particularly loved by flower arrangers looking for something different.

Daffodils, a springtime favourite, are now available in dreamy colours – white, soft cream, pale pink – but a vase of the common bright yellow variety brightens any room. The bulbs are ideal in pots, perfect for a balcony, terrace or window sill.

If you are dividing large clumps of perennials which have outgrown their space, do consider giving them to the local church, plant stall or sharing them with a friend or neighbour.

Garden tip: Seen recently in a gardening magazine – save toilet roll tubes. Stand them up in a tray, push some newspaper into one end and fill with compost. Sow seeds or plant cuttings in the tubes so that when you plant out the results, the cardboard will just rot away without disturbing the new plants.

Jean Price

Recipe: A Superb Easter Trifle

This recipe will serve 8 people.

Ingredients for the four layers

Layer 1: 6 trifle sponges, 100ml sherry or liqueur of your choice.

Layer 2: About 10 oz mixture of exotic fruits (lychees, kiwis, mangoes (or fruits of your choice)

Layer 3: 1 pint of custard

Layer 4: pared rind and juice of one large lemon, 100 ml of sherry or white wine, 2 tablespoons of brandy. 75 g castor sugar, ½ pint of double cream.

Method

Line a dish with trifle sponges and soak them in sherry. Cover these with the fruit.

Make custard (your own favourite recipe) and stir until it thickens. Pour over the fruit and leave to cool.

For the next layer, place the lemon rind and juice in a bowl with the sherry or wine and brandy. Cover tightly and leave to stand while the custard is cooling.

Strain the mixture, discard the lemon rind and mix the liquid with the sugar, stirring until it is dissolved.

Gradually stir in the cream, then whisk the mixture until it stands in soft peaks.

Spoon the syllabub over the trifle. Decorate with sliced kiwi fruit and almonds.

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Knucklas Notes for April 2022

In the late winter Knucklas has, along with much of the U.K., been battered by a succession of named storms blowing in from the Atlantic after weeks of persistent rain. Some local roads were made impassable with damaged trees and floodwater.

However, we are now into spring, with the clocks about to go forward. We have increasingly strong sunshine with people getting out into their gardens and allotments. Flowers and crops are showing visible growth.

But the minds of local people, as I write, are very much on the mass- brutality involved in the invasion of the Ukraine and what can be done by us, locally, to help. It all seems so much closer, somehow, than the horrendous violence perpetrated in Bosnia in the early

1990s or what is happening in Syria, huge swathes of Africa, or Myanmar etc. even now.

Still, the farming calendar has to proceed and the R.W.A.S. showground in Builth Wells is very much open for business again, with the Winter Fair having proved a great success and a number of events to look forward to including the Smallholding and Countryside Festival in May.

Meanwhile, Flicks in the Sticks are offering a variety of films along with refreshments etc. in several local community centres, all managed by volunteers.

David Hawkins, from Glyndwr, has been taken into care; a loss to the locality.

Robert Forbath

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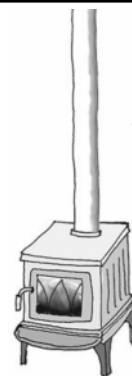
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Remembering our loved ones - What can and cannot be placed on graves

The Church in Wales has regulations to ensure that churchyards are kept in such a way as they do not cause any offence to others. I have received a number of inquiries about what is and isn't allowed and why?

Real flowers, silk flowers, poppy wreaths at Remembrance and Christmas wreaths are all allowed. Plastic flowers are not and there are reasons for this. Plastic flowers fade in colour over time which makes a grave look uncared for. They also scatter across the graveyard in the wind and land on other graves. There are many other reasons but the most important is the need to cut down on the use of plastic, which will help to save God's creation.

Some people like to place toys, little objects of remembrance such as angels, rocks with verses on etc. These are not strictly allowed

but if you are tending the grave of a loved one and know that you have these, please contact me or Rachael for us to discuss this and try to find a way that makes as many people happy as possible.

This is an emotive subject but we do have to take care that it does not become more emotive, for example one churchyard sadly had a family place the ashes of their loved one around the memorial stone to his late wife. This resulted in the remains of this person being scattered onto other graves, which was extremely upsetting to many people.

I would like us to work together to ensure that all churchyards are kept in a way that is respectful to all.

Love and blessings, Petra

Gladestry Community Council

Application form for Grant 2022 - 23 Grants are available to organisations within the Gladestry Community Council area, i.e. Colva, Gladestry, Michaelchurch-on-Arrow & Newchurch.

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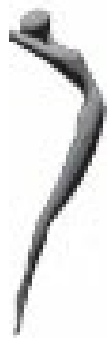
Presteigne Area Community Development Group (PACDG)

PACDG has several registers with information about local groups, local venues for hire, local traders, etc.

For the register of local venues: www.presteigne.org.uk and click on "Local organisations," and then click on "Premises in Presteigne and Norton."

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St Padarn of Llanbadarn Fawr 16 April

I expect you have been to Aberystwyth, but have you visited Llanbadarn Fawr, now a suburb, but originally a large monastic community which existed long before Aberystwyth itself?

St Padarn lived in the early 6th century, about the same time as St David and St Teilo. Between them they founded many churches throughout south and mid Wales, following the routes of the abandoned Roman roads. We don't know much about Padarn, mostly because it was quite a common name in those days and, when the *Life of St Padarn* came to be written, he was confused with other saints of the same name. So we don't know if he was born in Brittany or south-east Wales or if he went to Ireland with his father or even if he founded other St Padarn churches in north Wales.

But we do know a lot about Llanbadarn Fawr (Padarn's great church). Now it is the largest church building in west mid-Wales and is built on the site of the original monastery. Being so close to the sea, it had close links with Ireland and it became a great centre of learning. By the 11th century, under Abbot Sulien the Wise, its

library was bigger than those at Canterbury Cathedral and York Minster. Sulien was born at Llanbadarn Fawr and he was twice bishop at St David's. His four sons were also monks at Llanbadarn. One of them, Rhygyfarch, famously wrote the *Life of St David*.

Did you know there is another Llanbadarn Fawr? It is much closer to home, at Crossgates near Llandrindod. The carvings on the medieval doorway are well worth seeing. I wonder if St Padarn came this way?

Rosemary Hanna



12th C Stone Lion's Head and Star from Doorway at Llanbadarn Fawr, Crossgates (from *Archaeologia Cambrensis* (2007))



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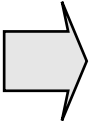
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Still round the corner there may wait, A
new road or a secret gate.

- J. R. R. Tolkien

Llangunllo Charity Shop Success



It was 'all hands on deck!' in Llangunllo, recently, when, at very short notice, an extra week was added to the fundraiser booked at the Llandrindod, Cefnlllys School Community Charity Shop. The joint venture between Llangunllo Community Hall and The Friends of St Cynllo's Church, swung into action, as volunteers pulled out all the stops to be able to open up the fully stocked shop in just a couple of days.

Within hours of notification, organisers had rallied enough help to start moving all the donations to Llandod on Monday 14th February. Not quite the St Valentine's Day a few may have anticipated, but ultimately, the village of Llangunllo came up smelling of roses!

Meeting on Monday evening, a human conveyor belt of helpers handled all the goods along the line, into a packed stock box and

various other vehicles, to transfer and set up the shop, ready to open on Tuesday. Trade was brisk during the two weeks, despite some wet and windy weather. The many volunteers sorted, displayed, tidied and sold some great quality goods, already held and further donations brought in by generous customers.

A huge thank you to all involved, for showing how a strong community can do wonders, working hard together as a team, whilst clearly having fun, to bring a project together. Most importantly, to everyone who bought and donated goods to raise the brilliant, final sum, by the close of business and clear out on Saturday 26th, benefiting two great causes within the village. Plans are already afoot for the next charity shop venture in Kington.

Article and photos by Debbie Jones



Llangunllo Boundary Walk 2022

Come and join us for a walk around the boundary of the parish of Llangunllo on
Saturday 30th April
Sunday 1st May
Monday 2nd May
Meet at the Greyhound, Llangunllo at 10.30 on each day for lifts to the start. Bring snacks and lunch

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Llangunllo Charity Shop



Into the stock box



Human conveyor belt in action



Lots to sort and display



Dot takes for another sale



Very glamorous, Dot!



Isabel tries out a lovely donated chair

St David's Day at Colva



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Rev Rachael



St David's Day at Colva

 Fifty-seven pilgrims from far and wide crowded into little St David's Colva to celebrate our patron saint. The Radnor Valley Band greeted us with good old Welsh tunes like *"David of the White Rock"* and *"Men of Harlech"*. The band has a delightful assortment of instruments: fiddle, guitar, accordion, flute, recorder, keyboard, drum, concertina. They led our singing of familiar hymns like *"King of Glory, King of Peace"* and *"Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer,"* but most particularly the *"Welsh National Anthem"*.

The star poem of the celebration was *"Cwtch"* which is *more than a hug; it's more than a cuddle. It's something you give to someone who's special.* Other poems spoke of St David's love for the natural world: mountains, water, fish, deer, daffodils, fulfilling St Paul's words to Timothy: *God's Word and our prayers make every item in creation holy. (1 Timothy 4.5)*

Leek Legend. Reverend Rachael preached about David's leadership in monastic life. He even helped the Welsh army defeat Saxon invaders by recommending that they place leeks on their helmets, so that the Welsh soldiers could distinguish their troops from the similarly clothed Saxons.

Dewi Sant encouraged us to live Christian lives in his last words: *Be joyful, brothers and sisters. Keep your faith, and do the little things that you have seen and heard with me.*

Homemade cakes, welsh cakes and bara brith, along with mugs or tea and coffee, made for a convivial time on a late afternoon in early spring. Colva would like to thank the people who prepared the church, provided the flowers and refreshments and also anyone who helped in any way. Also 'thank you' for the generous donations given for the emergency appeal fund for the Ukraine.

Laura W-J

Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

Holy and Gracious God,
We pray for the people of the Ukraine and the people of Russia;
for their countries and their leaders.
We pray for all those who are afraid;
that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.
We pray for all those who have the power over life and death;
that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.
We pray for those who choose war;
that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords
into ploughshares and seek for peace.
We pray for leaders on the world stage;
that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.
Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.
And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.
Lord have mercy. Amen

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Ancient Radnorshire Ceremony of Rent Holes

This account is printed in full from a newspaper clipping (uncertain paper or date, 2013-14?)



Why are these nine men standing in a hole at Tyn-yr-ynn near Beguildy?

On Saturday, a number of the older inhabitants of Llanbister, Llanbadarn-fynydd and Beguildy gathered at the site of the King's Rent Hole to re-enact the ancient ceremony of the appointment of a collector of the King's Rent for the Crown Manor of Swydd Ugre, so that a film record could be made to preserve the details of it for future generations.

The ceremony was described by the Royal Commission on Ancient Monuments in 1913 as – *probably the most archaic ceremony connected with the holding of land that has survived from time immemorial*, but the account they give of it is far from complete, although it seems to be the only eye-witness account that was ever published. In 1923 the ceremony, which may well have been held continuously for over a thousand years, was at last abandoned.

Last surviving Collector

W.E.A. classes in Beguildy, Llanbister and Llanddewi have taken an interest in the old ceremony, – especially at Llanddewi, where

Mr. Richard Price, one of the last surviving Collectors of the King's. Rent, has been a regular member. It was felt that something should be done to make as full a record of it as possible, while there were still a number of people who had taken part in it who could give information and perhaps re-enact it. Help was obtained from Mr. Ffrancis Payne, Deputy Curator of the Welsh Folk Museum, and the recently-established recording unit of the Welsh Folk Museum travelled up to Llanddewi at Easter to make tape recordings of the Price's account of the ceremony and of his reminiscences of farming life in Llanbister parish over fifty year ago. Arrangements were also made with the co-operation of the Cardiff studios of the ITV. As many of the men who had taken part as could be located were invited to meet again on Saturday to take part in it.

With the permission and co-operation of Mr. Wilson, Tyn-yr-ynn, a small group of volunteers, Messrs. I. Lewis, A. Williams, and H. Bywater, Llanddewi, R. Price, Knucklas, and F. Noble, Knighton, dug out the hole.

(Account continues overleaf)



Billy Mills entering, Dave Davies (bearded)

The Collector of the King's Rent had the job of collecting the £19 18s. 7d. which the freeholders of the manor had to pay every year to the man who would bid to collect it at the lowest figure per head. All that the collector could get above that sum became his own, in recompense for the fortnight's full-time work, walking round to every holding in the manor. The ceremony took place every year on Hilary Monday -- the second Monday in January. It started at about half-past eleven and had to end exactly at twelve. The would-be collectors made their bids as they walked down a sunken track into the Hole, which was oval in shape, six feet wide and five feet deep. The hole was dug into the side of a small hill at a height of 1,400 feet above sea level, in the pass over the hills between Llanbister and Felindre.

About a hundred gathered to see the re-enactment, among them such people as Mrs. Jack Jones, widow of the last man to collect the King's Rent, Mr. Watkin Wilding, Mr. James, Rhydhir, and others who had been connected with the ceremony over forty years ago.

In the old days the occupier of Tyn-yr-ynn was exempt from paying the King's Rent on

condition that he cleaned out the hole. Mr. Wilson, who saw the last few ceremonies when he was a small boy gave the finishing touches to the hole, helped by his brother from Llanddewi, the Cnwch, who actually cleaned it out the last time it was used and filled it in after the ceremony had been finally abandoned.

Old rivalry recalled

Mr. Swancott, Upper Llether, a former collector, took the part of the previous year's collector, and began the ceremony by pretending to hand the official receipt for the previous year's Rent to be read by Mr. J.J. Price, to free his bondsmen. Then he walked slowly down the sunken track into the hole, repeating the ancient words. *I have come to take his Majesty's the King's Rent for one year, at two shillings on all married occupiers, half-price on single occupiers and widows, and on all bitacks, [which are] the occupier living inside the manor, and full price on occupier residing outside the manor.* A piece of old rivalry was then recalled when Mr. Richard Price walked down the sunken track to make a lower bid, in exactly the same way as he did over forty years ago. No one else was prepared to make a bid, so Mr. Price became the



Mr Wilson digging the hole



Margret Jones, widow of last collector

"Collector," and he had to be joined in the hole by four men who would be prepared to act as his bondsmen. These parts were taken by Alderman J. J. Price, Llanbister, Mr. David Davies, Tansomalia, Mr. W. Nichols, Felindre, and Mr. Brown, Gravel Arch. Mr. W. Mills, Crossway, came into the hole to act as King's Witness and made each of the bondsmen in turn affirm that they would see that the King's Rent would be paid if Richard Price should fail to do so.

In the old days everything was done by word of mouth, nothing was ever put in writing and no case of a collector ever defaulting was ever recorded. It dated back to the days before writing was much known in these hills and in those days the £19 18s. 7d. was the price of sixty oxen.

The hand ceremony (*not from this newspaper article*) The four men grasp each other by the wrist. Then they place their 8 hands on top of each other (4 left hands on the bottom, 4 right hands on the top). A fifth man, the King's Witness, would put his right hand on top of the right hands, and his left hand beneath them, thus making ten hands in the pile. It would now be high noon, end of ceremony.



Bondmen and King's Witness in the King's Rent Hole (left to right), Mr W Nichols, Mr W Mills, Alderman J J Price, Mr Richard Price, Mr David Davies, Mr Brown.

Many thanks to Peter Hood who supplied the newspaper clippings and to Margaret Wood who supplied the images.

Information about the hand ceremony from page 267 of "Royal Commission on the Ancient Monuments in Wales and Monmouthshire"

Felindre W.I.

Felindre W.I. held their March meeting at The Radnorshire Arms, Beguildy, celebrating St David's Day with a leek and potato soup lunch.

Business matters included discussions about W.I. activities to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June, possible participation in 'walking netball' and suggestions for future Felindre W.I. meetings.

After lunch, Vice-President Kath Harris got members to test their memory by looking at

twenty common household objects on a tray, then listing them up once the tray was removed. No member managed to recall every item, but Rebe Brick got the highest score.

Felindre's next meeting will be held at noon on Wednesday 6th April in the same venue and will be followed by a macramé workshop. New members are always welcome – contact Jayne on 01547 510644.

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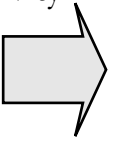
Llangunllo W.I. Enjoy an Evening of Felting



Our March meeting saw us welcome another prospective member to add to the 3 new members who have recently joined us, which is great news.

Our usual business meeting covered a range of items which the president updated us on. Good progress is being made with regards to our 100th birthday celebrations, the first being the planting of a tree with a time capsule, on April 10th; look out for photographs next month. Working groups were established for our County Show entries, our Easter Community Lunch and representatives met with other organisations in the village to discuss plans for celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. Hopefully with all the events being planned over the year, Covid restrictions will be forgotten, but still carefully managed.

Following the business part of the meeting, we were introduced to the art of Felting by Rachael Storer, who shared with us the amazing items she has made from animals to a range of nativity figures although we did laugh at the inclusion of a flamingo.



As you can see from the photographs we all got really engrossed in making a felted egg, just one example below.

It was a fun session despite several of us managing to stab our fingers with the felting needle! and was followed by our usual wonderful supper, which we all enjoyed.

For further information and details of meetings please contact our secretary Isabel Morris on 01547 550689 or mrmorris@btconnect.com

Anne Newton

Evancoyd Organ

Saturday May 21 at 4 pm

St Peters Evancoyd

Talk on the organ restoration with expert musical demonstration.

The Nicholson organ at St Peters was restored during 2020 by David Gallichan and his team of expert organ builders. It is now as it was at installation in the 1870s and should last for another 150 years. The sound quality is much improved and the volume !

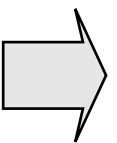
We hope you can come and see how organs work, how the restoration was done and enjoy listening to its beautiful sound.

We plan to have a bring your own food picnic afterwards in the church grounds.

Heather Evans

Leaning Yew at Bleddfa

One of the yew trees at Bleddfa is leaning, perhaps more than before. It was causing concern, because it appeared to be a danger, and was possibly disturbing the graves beneath.



An expert, Chris Knapman, was called in for an inspection. He assessed the tree, with a diameter at breast height of 1.5m to be 1,000 years old, possibly an ancient yew.

Its leaning habit is a product of old age, and the three yews, of varying ages in its group support each other.

Happily Mr Knapman did not think that any work was necessary except for removing the holly trees surrounding the yews.

Photo by John Goodband



Group felting

Llangunllo W.I.



Rachael explaining felting



Really engrossed



Felted egg

Leaning Yew at Bleddfa



Chris Knapman

Holy Week Services



Palm Sunday – April 10

Knighton 9:30am Morning Worship
Whitton 9:30am Holy Communion
New Radnor 10am Holy Communion in the Hall
Heyope 11:00am Holy Communion
Evancoyd 11:00am Holy Communion

Chrism Eucharist at Brecon Cathedral – Tue April, 12 12pm

The Dean is looking forward to welcoming representatives from across the Diocese. No need to book.

Wed April 13, 10am Communion at The Rectory, New Radnor

Maundy Thursday – April 14

6:30pm Gladestry
7:00pm Llanfair Waterdine
7:30pm Knighton Baptist Chapel Communion + all night Vigil following Jesus' last night in real time. Finish at 6am.



Good Friday – April 15

10:00am New Radnor Community Hall Hot Cross Bun Service
10:30am Knighton Walk of Witness from Cenotaph
2pm Evancoyd Stations of the Cross
3pm Bleddfa The Final Hour

Holy Saturday – April 16

7pm St Edward's Knighton Ministry Area Easter Vigil, Communion



Easter Day – April 17

Whitton 9:30am Holy Communion
Gladestry 9:30am Holy Communion
Beguidly 11:15 Holy Communion
New Radnor 10am Morning Prayer
Evancoyd 11:00 Holy Communion
Knucklas Chapel, 9.30 Celebration with St David's
Knighton Baptist Chapel 11.00 Communion



Note: The lay community of St Benedict will be on pilgrimage from Abergavenny to Cefyn Lea, Dolfor during Holy week and will be stopping over in New Radnor Community Hall on the Tuesday evening in Holy Week. Please keep the pilgrims in your prayers as they prepare for their pilgrimage during Holy week

Knucklas Castle Community Land Project



Sun 3 – Work Party Monthly Work Parties on the first Sunday of every month **10.30 to 12.30**. Bring gloves, shears, secateurs, loppers, forks, spades and wheelbarrows. Siggy has promised to provide tea and biscuits, possibly cake.

Fri 8 – Needlefelt Course One day beginners' course. 10.00 - 4.00 at a member's home. Pre-book only. Make a small animal. £20 including materials and light lunch. Contact 01547 520263.

Sat 23 – Knucklas Spring Ceilidh Sadly, we had to cancel the planned Burns Night supper in January, due to Covid restrictions. Now that we are finally able to socialise again, why not celebrate with a night of good food, music and dancing at the Spring Ceilidh on Saturday 23 April at 7pm in Knucklas Community Centre. It promises to be a great evening with music provided by local Ceilidh band Bandamania who will lead the dancing with a caller.

Tickets are £15 each to include supper, available in advance from Pughs Butcher, the Tower House Gallery in Knighton or phone 01547 528223 or 07427 640660. Parking available or come by train. All profits will go to the Knucklas Castle Community Land Project. This should be a popular event so book your tickets now!

Sat 30 – Composting Workshop Course by Julie Tyler – free for allotment holders; all others by donation. At Knucklas Allotments. For more information contact 01547 520263. Donations.

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The Hub New Radnor

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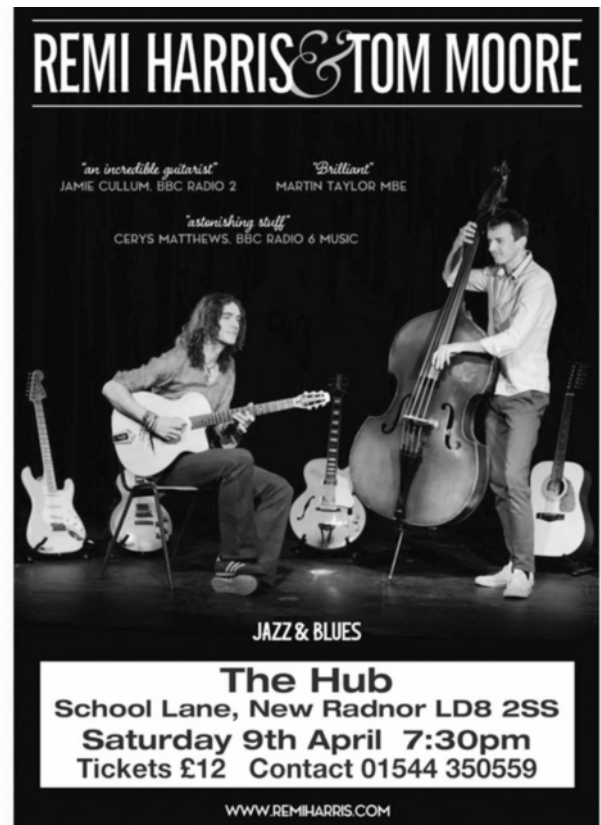
Wednesday April 20, 7.30pm our fabulous Bechstein piano will be put through its paces in a piano recital by **Andrew Morris**. The Hub is open every **Thursday morning 10-12** for coffee, home bakes and chat

Every **Friday 6.30-11.00** for **PHuB Night**: bar, food, company. All welcome. To pre-order food, use the text line 07762 255996 or request to be added to the food WhatsApp group, where the menu is announced and you can book.

There is usually enough for walk-ins too. The food is all cooked by our fabulous volunteers, who also do a million other jobs from running the bar, doing the accounts, tending the garden, decorating, organising events, odd jobs. If you want to get involved you will be most warmly welcomed.

Finally, please remember that we are running the **Community Shop in Kington**, from **April 6th for a week**. We need donations of household objects, clothes, books, raffle prizes preserves etc. Also volunteers to man the shop (two at a time) All proceeds will help keep the Hub going.

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"Llangunllo Cattle News from the Past"

In the 1800's livestock farming, as today, played an important role in the local economy and by the beginning of the century the Hereford breed of cattle was predominant.

William Tudge of The Great House, Llangunllo, James and Thomas Rea of Monaughty, John Rogers of Pilleth and Benjamin Rogers of Doluggan, Bleddfa, became prominent Hereford breeders and by the 1850s the quality of local livestock had improved. This breed remained popular with farmers in the area for many years to come.

As advertised in the Hereford Times, a farm sale of Hereford cattle, with horses, was held at Lea Hall, Llangunllo in 1859 on behalf of Mr Thomas Dyke.

At the time his brother, Mr Owen Dyke, also mentioned, farmed at The Great House.

However, in 1897, a rather different report of Mr John Dyke of Lea Hall appeared in the local newspaper!

"Llangunllo news from the past" is now part of the Community Website and is well worth a read.

Isabel Morris.

*Ref – Llangunllo Community Website
"A History of Presteigne" – Keith Parker.*

**Hereford Times Saturday 19th March 1859
LEA HALL, LLANGUNLLO, RADNORSHIRE.**

MR. EDWARD MASON will SELL AUCTION, on the Premises, Wednesday, March 30, 1859, seventy head of remarkably well bred HEREFORDSHIRE CATTLE, and twenty-three HORSES and COLTS, the property of Mr. Thomas Dyke, who is giving up the Green Street and Hen-Gefu Farms, and reduces his Cattle and Horse Stock.

The list: 16 cows with calves, 6 heifers with calves, 10 in-calf heifers, 14 yearling steers and bull, 3 cart geldings, 2 fillies and 3 yearlings, brown mare (pedigree from Black Eagle, Fir man, Forester), 3 nag mares, a yearling filly, 8 pony mares.

Luncheon will be ready at Eleven, and the Sale commence at One o'clock.

**Brecon and Radnor Express and
Carmarthen Gazette Thursday 08 April 1897
ANIMALS STRAYING**

Mr John Dyke, Lea Hall was summoned for allowing a horse to stray on the highway in the parish of Llangunllo.... P.C. Charles Rogers said about 3 p.m. on the 14th March he found one of Mr Dyke's horses straying on the highway. He had cautioned the defendant before, by order of the County Council, as to his animals straying. Fined 1s. and costs.

Calling all budding authors

Our monthly creative writing group takes place at The Knighton Community Centre on the 2nd Tuesday of the month 11-1pm.
Next session will be 12 April.

As the twig is bent the tree inclines.
Virgil

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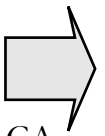
Christian Aid's Afghanistan Appeal

On Shrove Tuesday Churches Together held a simple lunch for Christian Aid's Afghanistan Appeal. We had a choice of vegetable, leek and potato, or Cawl soup with homemade breads, bara brith and welsh cakes. Donations totalled £280. To make a donation

use: www.christianaid.org.uk/give/ways-to-donate.

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Judith Dare



'Lifting' or 'Heaving': A Forgotten Easter Custom

Until about 150 years ago, the rumbustious custom of Easter Lifting, Heaving or [in Herefordshire] 'Hoving' was enthusiastically celebrated by *'young persons of the lower orders'* along both sides of the Welsh Border. On Easter Monday, parties of lads sought out young women and *'lifted'* or *'heaved'* them up in the air three times on a beribboned chair, amid loud cheers. To be released, the woman had to pay a kiss to each lifter, and often a small gift of food or money as well. Then, on Easter Tuesday, the women got their revenge by *'heaving up'* the men. On both days, the lifting had to stop at noon.

On the English side of the border, Easter lifting was popular from the West Midlands northwards through Herefordshire and Shropshire to Cheshire. In Wales, gangs of heavers operated in Radnorshire (particularly Rhayader), Montgomeryshire (especially in Newtown pubs and in Welshpool) and Denbighshire. In Herefordshire, lifters sang *'Jesus Christ is Risen Again'* as they entered a house, and many thought the custom commemorated Christ's Easter Resurrection; others, that it symbolised His lifting onto the cross. But a few earnest folklorists (predictably) insist that it was really *'a relic of an ancient pagan rite of spring'*

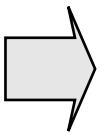
In villages where (then even more than now) everyone knew each other, lifting was a welcome bit of seasonal fun and flirtation as well as a handy source of pocket money for the lifters. Some farmers' wives actively

welcomed the heaving of their maids, believing that it would preserve them from breaking any crockery during the following year. At worst, it was something to be accepted with good humour. According to a Welsh writer of 1815, *'a little resistance, real or affected, creates no small merriment: but much resistance would excite contempt, and perhaps indignation.'*

With the advent of increasingly staid Victorian morality, however, disapproval of Easter lifting grew; particularly when, in the region's towns, it sometimes got out of hand. In Rhayader, according to a tetchy observer in 1839, determined male lifters pursued unmarried girls into their houses, climbing in through windows and even breaking down doors to get at them. Worse still, when their turn came on Easter Tuesday, *'certain damsels'* heaved not only bachelors but also young married men *'to the annoyance of both'*.

The activities of working class women lifters in industrial areas were thought even more shocking, especially when they caught unsuspecting gentlemen *'from off'* who knew nothing of the custom. In Warrington, a timidly protesting clergyman was lifted by a band of brawny mill-girls and carried round the town, and in Wednesbury a horrified visitor was heaved and *'kissed till he was black in the face by a party of leather-breeched coalpit women.'*

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Afghanistan Aid Appeal Lunch



Ali Thomas and Jill Turner



Gwen Davies, Val Ownes, Mary Bayliss, Judith Dare



Margaret Pinfield and Sue Bywater



Gwen Davies and Val Owens



John & Rev Petra Goodband,
Rev Kevin Dare

Whitton Coffee Mornings



'Lifting' continued from page 46

As early as 1784, therefore, the Manchester magistrates attempted (in vain) to ban Easter lifting by law. But it continued to be enjoyed in many places for another century or so, until the relentless pressure of Victorian respectability finally killed it off even in rural areas. By 1887 a sniffy Herefordshire parson could write with satisfaction that the custom '*degenerated into wickedness and is now discontinued*'. Which is rather a pity.

- Charles Kightly

Hear to Help "Drop Off" Clinic

Knighton Hearing Aid Clinic, The Comm
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[Presteigne Clinic has not re-opened yet.]

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Walks in April

Wed April 6. Bucknell, Bedstone, Hopton Wood. 7.2 miles moderate.
Start SO351740 Bucknell Baron CP

Wed April 13. Titely Circular 8.5 miles. Start Titely Village Hall.

Wed April 20. Old Radnor, Harpton, The Smatcher. 8.3miles moderate. Start SO 250593 (Exp 201) The Harp Inn at Old Radnor.

Thur April 21. SHORT WALK Clee Panorama. 4.8 miles moderate. Start Exp. 203 SO 595754 Clee Hill village car park.

Wed April 27. Whitton – Pilleth circular. 7.7 miles moderate. Start SO 2727 6728 Whitton Community Car Park.

You are welcome on our walks.

The list is incomplete at this point. Please see website for more information.

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April 11 – Monday
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Isaiah 42. 1-9
Psalm 36. 5-11
Hebrews 9. 11-15
John 12. 1-11

April 12 – Tuesday
(red or purple)

Isaiah 49. 1-7
Psalm 71. 1-8, [9-14]
1 Corinthians 1. 18-31 J
John 12. 20-36

April 13 – Wednesday
(red or purple)

Isaiah 50. 4-9a
Psalm 70
Hebrews 12. 1-3
John 13. 21-32

April 14 – Maundy Thursday
(white or purple)

Exodus 12. 1-4, [5-10,] 11-14
Psalm 116. 12-19
1 Corinthians 11. 23-26
John 13. 1-17, 31b-35

April 15 – Good Friday
(purple or black)

Isaiah 52.13 – 53.12
Psalm 22. 1-11
Hebrews 10. 16-25
John 18.1 – 19.42

April 16 – Easter Eve
(red or purple)

Job 14. 1-14
Psalm 31. 1-5
1 Peter 4. 1-8
Matthew 27. 57-66

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.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee at WHITTON

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COMMUNITY EVENTS April 2022

FRI 1	Llanfair W.I. Everest Hall, 7.00pm	Sat 23	Ceilidh & supper, Knucklas Comm Knighton Community Market, Comm, 9.30-12.30.
Sat 2	Bingo, St Edward's Hall, 7pm. Children's Allotments available, Knucklas	Sun 24	Knighton Litter Pick, Comm 10am Messy Church, Knucklas Comm 4pm
Sun 3	KCCLP Work party at Knucklas Allotments, 10-30-12.30	Wed 27	N.R. Comm AGM 7.30pm.
Mon 4	New Radnor W.I. N.R. Comm, 7pm, Beacon Hill Benefice, AVM Meeting, Knucklas Comm 7pm.	Sat 30	Composting Workshop. Knucklas Allotments,
Tue 5	Stowe & Stanage, W.I., Reynolds Room, 2.30pm.	30 April - 2 May	Llangunllo Boundary Walk. 10.30 at Greyhound.
Wed 6	Felindre W.I. Beguildy pub, noon. East Radnor Benefice, AVM, St Edward's Church, 7pm		
6. -12	The Hub, N.R. Kington Charity Shop		
Fri 8	Needlefelting, Knucklas, 10-4		
Sat 9	Knighton Community Market, Comm, 9.30-12.30. Refugee Support, Table Sale. St Edward's Church Hall, 10-12. Remi Harris Music, N.R. Hub, 7.30.		
Mon 11	Arrow Freemasons Lodge, Kington Masonic Hall, 6pm		
Tue 12	Whitton Coffee Morning, 10-30-12 Creative Writing, Knighton Comm 11-1pm		
Wed 13	Communion, New Radnor Rectory, 10am Floral Arts, Presteigne Memorial Hall, 7.30pm		
Thur 14	Chatterbrook W.I. Presteigne Memorial Hall 7.30		
Sat 16	Coffee Morning, St Ed's Hall, 10am		
Tue 19	Hearing Aid Clinic, Knighton, 10-1 Teme Freemasons Lodge, Whitton Comm Hall, 6pm.		
Wed 20	The Hub N.R. A Morris, Piano, 7.30.		

Walk of Witness

Good Friday, April 15

10.30 - 12

Music and Readings

Starting at Brookside (Cenotaph)

Up to Clock Tower.

Ending at the Methodist Church for a hot drink and Hot Cross Bun.

Grid References and Church Postcodes

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Bleddfa	SO 206683	LD7 1PA
Heyope	SO 239745	LD7 1PY
Llangunllo	SO 211712	LD7 1SW
Knighton	SO 287724	LD7 1AG
Norton	SO 304672	LD8 2EY
Whitton	SO 270673	LD7 1AG
Pilleth	SO 256682	LD7 1NP
Cascob	SO 239664	LD8 2NT
N Radnor	SO 210609	LD8 2SS
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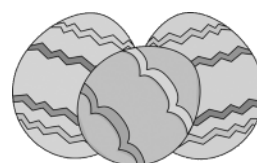
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Funeral

Eric Arthur Morris passed away on 16th February and his funeral was held at St Mary's Church, New Radnor on 8th March. He was buried in the churchyard reunited once more with his wife Wyneth.



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

Baptist Sunday Worship - April

- 3 Norton Street, 11am, Communion
Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 10 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
- 14 Maundy Thursday, 7pm, Norton St, Communion
- 15 Good Friday, Churches Together Walk of Witness
- 17 Knucklas Chapel 9.30am Easter Celebration with St David's Church
Norton St, 11am Easter Communion
- 24 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
Knucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm
- 1 May Norton Street, 11am, Communion
Knucklas Chapel, 6pm

Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Service every Sunday at 11am.

Methodist Sunday Worship - April

Victoria Rd, Knighton every Sunday at 11am.

- 3 Rev Kim Stilwell
- 10 Local Arrangement
- 17 Rev Dr Neil Richardson - Communion
- 24 Local Arrangement
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Special Days in April

- 1 All Fools Day
- 2 World Autism Awareness Day
- 9 Unicorn Day – the mythical creature and symbol of Scotland
- 18 World Heritage Day
- 22 World Earth Day
- 22 National Shakespeare Day
- 23 St George's Day
- 25 Penguin Day
- 30 International Jazz Day

Open the Book

Due to restrictions the Open the Book team still can't go into the school. In normal times we lead assemblies acting out Bible stories using ourselves and the children. Now we send the school our own home-grown videos – sometimes with us, sometimes using puppets.

We represent Churches Together – all the churches in Knighton and surrounding



The Good Samaritan



The Levite passes by



The Samaritan stops to help



He takes him to an Inn

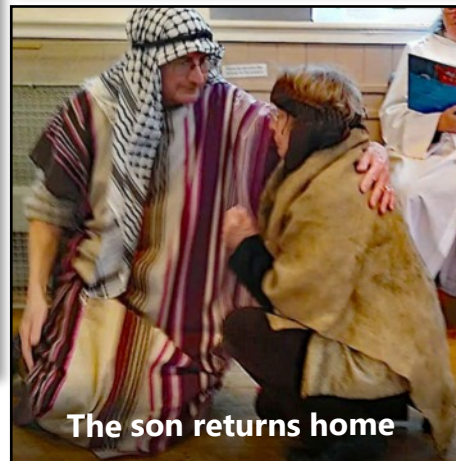
Prodigal Son



Son in riotous living



The son tends pigs



The son returns home

Open the Book



The Father forgives and unites the elder and younger sons

Palm Sunday Procession



Jesus rides a Donkey



Crowd Waving



Disapproving Pharisee

April 2022	3 April Passion Sunday <i>Purple or Red</i>	10 April Palm Sunday <i>Purple or Red</i>	HOLY WEEK	17 April EASTER <i>White</i>	24 April Easter 2 <i>White</i>
Readings	Isaiah 43. 16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3. 4b-14 John 12. 1-8	Isaiah 50. 4-9a Psalm 31. 9-18 Philippians 2. 5-11 Luke 23. 1-49	Services for Maudy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Saturday are on page 58 Readings are on page 48	Isaiah 65. 17-25 Psalm 118.[1,2,]14-24 Acts 10. 34-43 John 20. 1-18	Exodus 14.10-31;15.20- 21 Psalm 150 Acts 5. 27-32 John 20. 19-31
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Bleddfa M Magdalene	7.30pm Compline	No Service		No Service	No Service
Heyope St David	No Service	11am Holy Communion		9.30am Worship at Knuckles Chapel	No Service
Llangunllo St Cynllo	No Service	No Service		11.15am Worship	No Service
Cascob St Michael	3pm Communion	No Service		No Service	No Service
Knighton St Edward	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion		No Service	11am Holy Communion
Norton St Andrew	No Service	No Service		No Service	No Service
Pilleth St Mary	No Service	No Service		No Service	3pm Service
Whitton St David	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship		9.30am Holy Communion	No Service
Colva St David	2.30pm Evening Worship	No Service		No Service	No Service
Evancoyd St Peter	11am Morning Prayer	11am Morning Prayer		11am Holy Communion	No Service
Gladestry St Mary	No Service	No Service		9.30am Holy Communion	4pm Evening Prayer
Llan'! Nant Melan St Michael	10am Morning Worship	No Service		No Service	No Service
New Radnor St Mary	No Service	10am Holy Communion in Comm Hall		10am Morning Prayer	No Service