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# George and Dragon



Room to left of entrance. Wall removed.

Date carved into outer wall



Room behind Snug

Bell



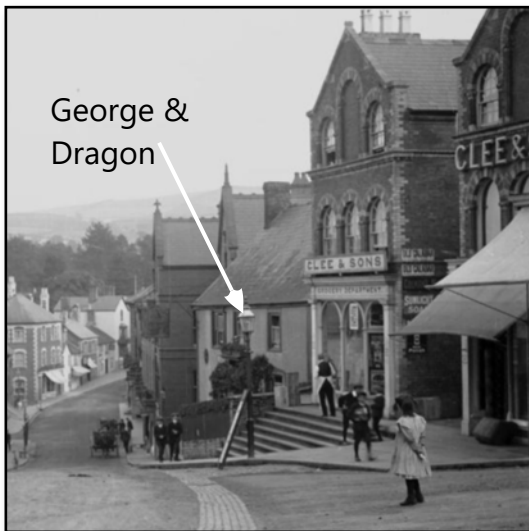
Snug ('Smoke Room') behind Bar

## Knighton's George and Dragon

1637 is engraved on the outer wall, making the **George and Dragon** one of Knighton's oldest buildings. It started life as a small inn, the current bar occupies the original. It was named only the **George**; by 1876 **Dragon** was added to its name.

It's been added to ever since, contributing to its considerable charm: little rooms all higgledy-piggledy. The protruding bay is a

commodious bedrooms for eight beds and on third floor a large bedroom and landing. Underneath there is a capital beer and wine cellar. The outside premises comprise brew-house, coal-house, trap-house, 2 loose boxes, stabling for about 20 loose horses with loft over, a hackney stable to hold about 12 loose horses; together with excellent kitchen garden and other appurtenances." (Hobbs, p 30)



C 1905 without a front room. Shop front awnings extended up the Narrows (High St).



1930s - 40s with front extension

1920's addition. The room on the left as you enter, which bears the date, was perhaps a separate cottage. The cosy snug (or 'smoke room') behind the bar was accommodation. The restaurant room behind this is a later addition. The **George and Dragon** is three floors with cellar; the top floors are the landlord's accommodation.

In 1870 it is listed as having "outbuildings, yard, stables and garden ... cottage or tenement with garden and Brewhouse adjoining and a stable and yard." (Hobbs pp 29-30) In 1908 the sale catalogue lists it as having "a well-fitted bar, sitting room, tap room, large kitchen fitted with cooking range, and two pantries. On the second floor are five

In the '90s they received a Heritage Fund to re-do the stables; it now has two twin rooms and three doubles.

The current landlord, Frank Thompson, proudly displays a plaque for the Victoria Cross for bravery in 1837 in India, awarded to his great grandfather', James Thompson. He went on to serve with

one arm. The family has always served as 'Squaddies'

and the pub bell is half of a 120 howitzer actually fired in 1982 in the Falklands.

*Laura W-J*



Victoria Cross



James Thompson

*Ref: Tony Hobbs "The Pubs of Radnorshire,"  
Frank Thompson, landlord*



## Knighton Pubs That Are No Longer

### The Bear Inn

The current 'Headmaster' (barber shop) facing the clock tower was once the **Bear Inn**, which perhaps came from the bear on duke of Worcester's coat of arms. In the mid 1800's the Prices, who were nick-named the 'bears', owned it. When it closed in the 1890s the front portion became a butcher shop. In 1988 Carl Evans also ran it as a butcher shop. Happily it is now 'The Headmaster' where you can get a haircut and local information. There are displays of local items where once there were meats.

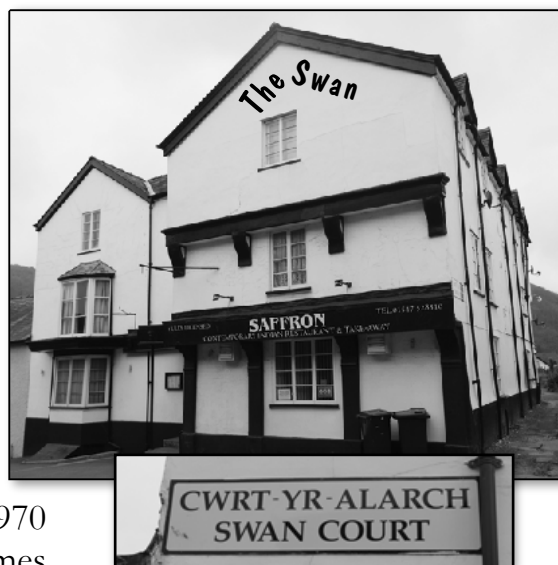


### The Swan Inn

The **Swan Inn**, a notable black and white, dates back to Elizabethan times, with some half timbering. It was an important coaching house in the late 1700s to early 1800s when in 1794 a coach ran to London once a week.

Its cock pit attracted bets by the local gentry until cockfighting was outlawed in 1849.

By the 1900s it was one of the principal Knighton hotels, with its omnibus meeting trains for guests. In the mid 1900s it was a business meeting place, and by 1970 its stables were demolished and replaced with homes which still have access through Swan Court. By the millennium it ceased trading and became an Indian Restaurant (now 'Saffron').



### The Talbot

The **Talbot** (now 'Taliesin') is next to the **Swan Inn**. It is described as having "small and low" rooms and was the last Knighton pub to brew its own beer. It closed in 1920 and was a confectioner's shop during WWII. Tony Hobbs records that the "last shop-keeper was Mrs Turner who had a little pet dog which ... used to smoke a pipe."



### The Bridge Inn

The **Bridge Inn** (next to the red and yellow brick building which houses Elaine's Beauty Spot) was named for the old bridge over Cwm Brook. John Jones, the landlord in the 1860s, had been the last toll-gate-keeper where the railway station now is. The inn was not used much and became a shop and private home.





Dear friends,

Yes it is me again. At the time of writing this Rev Rachael Storer is unfortunately off sick, so please keep her and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

May was a busy month with the start of my visits to different churches on Wednesday mornings. It is a great opportunity for me to meet up with people, so please let me or your church warden know if you would like me to pop by or join me in church.

We are heading into June with so much to celebrate. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth is to celebrate 70 years on the throne. There are to be celebratory events all over the place giving us a chance to spend time together. Whatever people's views of the Monarchy, nobody can deny that this Godly woman has given her life to the countries that she serves. Who wants to still be in the public eye and working at her age?

We will also be celebrating Pentecost, the 50th day after Easter. This is when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples. It is also considered to be the birthday for the Christian church. Watch out for services celebrating this wonderful day in churches throughout the Ministry Area.

While we celebrate let us be glad that we are able to and think of those who cannot or are celebrating in a much more frugal way.

This is a broken world that we live in but if we strive to work together in our towns and villages we can make some steps towards a peaceful and environmentally friendly future.

Love and Blessings

Petra

## Cover - Christ the King

Shards of colour radiate from Christ the King like a sun – browns for this world, pinks for spiritual awakening, reds for martyrdom, and blues for the heavenly realm. Jesus himself wears white for his purity and innocence but he carries a red shawl. The crowned Jesus stands with outstretched arms to embrace the world, his hands and feet still bearing nail scars,

Four circular panels in the top rays represent the four Evangelists – the four gospels:

- (1) Winged man or angel for Matthew
- (2) Lion for Mark
- (3) Ox for Luke
- (4) Eagle for John.

At the very top is a dove, the Holy Spirit. The other panels also have symbols: wheat and grapes for Holy Communion, 3 circles for the Trinity, Fish as an ancient Christian Symbol, Lamb for Jesus as the 'lamb of God,'

✠ Chi Rho, an ancient Greek Christian symbol.

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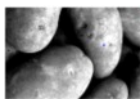
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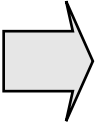
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## Platinum Jubilee



This month the Queen makes history by celebrating her Platinum Jubilee. 70 years in the job!

We join with millions across Britain and the Commonwealth who thank God for Queen Elizabeth's dedication, wisdom, and steadfastness over the past seven decades.

The world has changed so much since 1952. But through it all, our Queen has kept her long-ago promise to the British people, to serve them with all her heart and might. And, because the Queen is a Christian, we know that God has honoured her and helped her in her role. Truly, God has blessed Queen Elizabeth II, and we thank Him for her.

### Recipe: The Original Coronation Chicken

Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Anniversary by going back in time 70 years and enjoying the original Coronation Chicken created by Rosemary Hume for Queen Elizabeth II's Coronation lunch on 2 June 1952. Serves 6-8 people.

#### Preparing the meat

Poach two young roasting chickens with carrot, bouquet garni, salt and peppercorns in water and a little wine, to barely to cover, for about 40 minutes or until tender. Allow to cool in the liquid. Joint the birds, remove bones with care.

#### To serve

Mix a small amount of the sauce (enough to coat the chicken) with a little extra cream and seasoning. Mix the chicken and the sauce together, arrange at one end of a dish, coat with the extra sauce. At the Queen's Coronation an oblong dish was used with a rice salad at the other end of the dish. The salad was made of rice, peas, diced raw cucumber and finely chopped mixed herbs, all mixed in a well-seasoned French dressing.

#### Ingredients for the Cream of Curry Sauce

- 1 tbsp oil
- 50g/2oz onion, finely chopped
- 1 dessert spoon curry powder
- 1 good tsp tomato purée
- 1 wineglass red wine
- ¾ wineglass water
- A bay leaf
- Salt, sugar, a touch of pepper
- A slice or two of lemon & a squeeze of lemon juice
- 1-2 tbsp apricot purée
- 450ml/¾ pint mayonnaise
- 2-3 tbsp lightly whipped cream



#### To make the Cream of Curry Sauce

Heat oil, add onion, cook gently for 3-4 minutes, add curry powder. Cook again for 1-2 min.. Add purée, wine, water, and bay leaf. Bring to boil, add salt, sugar to taste, pepper, and the lemon and lemon juice. Simmer with the pan uncovered for 5-10 minutes. Strain and cool. Add by degrees to the mayonnaise with the apricot purée to taste. Adjust seasoning, adding a little more lemon juice if necessary. Finish with the whipped cream.

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The Queen

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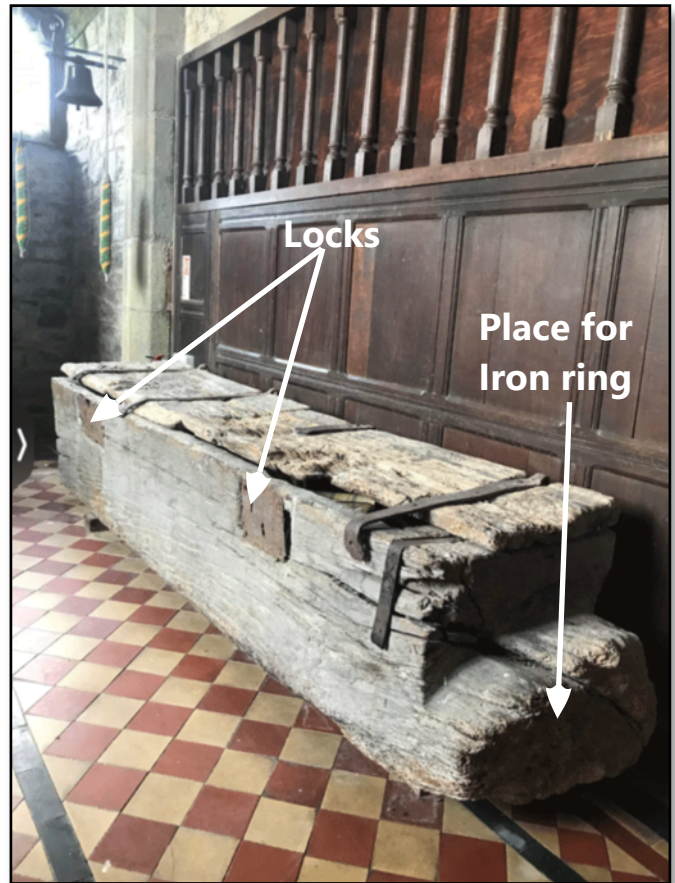


Jennifer Oldridge, who will celebrate her 90th birthday in June knitted this W.I. corgi called Winnie. NFWI members have been making Winnies as part of the Jubilee celebrations.  
New Radnor W.I.



## Beguildy's Churchwardens' Chest

## Llangunllo W.I. Community Lunch



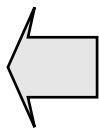
Top: Take your seats please;  
lunch is served.

Middle: The kitchen team take  
a bow

Bottom: We filled Llangunllo  
Hall

*Photos by Anne Newton*





## My Favourite Thing – Beguildy Churchwardens' Chest

There are quite a number of wonderful features in Beguildy Church dating through the centuries. Some are quite basic and some are fine examples of fifteenth century workmanship.

When I was asked to choose my favourite, I found it very difficult because I love them all for different reasons, but because of its age, basic hand work and what it represented, I decided on the ancient Churchwarden's dug out parish chest.

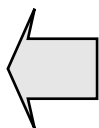
This was reputedly hewn out of a solid oak tree trunk, which probably dates back to the thirteenth century. At the end of the chest there was an iron ring for use when it was

drawn by a horse to be buried or hidden in times of trouble. There would probably have been a kind of skid underneath for the chest to have been moved more quickly and easily.

One part of the chest would have held the Church's valuables, and the other the Churchwardens' treasures. Each compartment was locked separately, but sadly the locks have partly rusted away.

When I consider its age, I am so impressed and think how lucky we are to still have it in our Church. I wish it could talk so we could have a record of what it has seen over the past thousand years, truly remarkable.

*Margaret Harris*



## Llangunllo W.I. Restarted Community Lunches

**It's good to be back**

April 26th saw Llangunllo W.I. welcoming the community back for lunch after quite a break due to Covid and refurbishment work on our village hall.

It was so nice to see the hall full of the community enjoying a meal together, and catching up on all the local news. Whilst we all

worked really hard to ensure everyone had plenty to eat and drink and enjoy themselves, we were all pretty tired at the end. It's hard work feeding nearly 50 people!!

But, when we sat down to eat after our visitors left, all agreed it had been fun and we had enjoyed starting the lunches up again. Look out for the next one.

*Anne Newton*

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### Welsh Words

Agor y Llyfr    *Open the Book*

Dewch i ymuno â ni    *Come and join us*

Ysgol Gynradd Tref-y-Clawdd  
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*see pages 54-55*

And forget not that the earth delights to  
feel your bare feet and the winds long to  
play with your hair.

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**5 June Sunday.** Bring and Share Picnic Lunch at 1pm at Community Centre. Bouncy Castle hopefully.

### COLVA

#### **Sunday, 5 June**

Service at St. David's at 2.30 pm.  
Followed by (bring your own)  
community picnic.

### NORTON

#### **Sunday 5th June**

Jubilee Walking Treasure Hunt.  
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Entry £5 per family. All welcome.  
Map and questions available at Wills View  
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### LLANGUNLLO

#### **Sunday 5th June**

from 2pm at the Village Hall.  
Further details available via the Community  
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### KNUCKLAS

#### **Saturday 4th June**

Children's Disco in the Knucklas Comm  
With adults in the Field  
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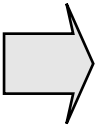
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The Hub open for Jubilee Breakfast  
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#### **Saturday 4 June** 6pm

**Jubilee Songs of Praise**  
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#### **Sunday 5 June** 11am

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**Thursday 2 June** Victoria Rd street party  
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**Thursday evening 2 June** - Beacon lit





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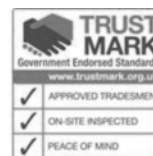
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## The Editor's Message

The next edition for July and August will be my last edition as editor. We are looking for people to fill the role. It can be a team: for instance,

1. You might share the editor's role. When The Radnor started, there were two editors: one for one month and one for the next.
2. You might have one person working with photographs: cropping, sizing, layouts.

3. One person might work on features like rivers in the Ministry Area.
4. Proofreading (we already have an offer to fill this role.)

Training in all areas provided.

Articles come flooding in every month, without the editor needing to chase up contributions. Please contact Laura, Petra or Rachael, (page 7) for more information.

*Laura Woodside-Jones*

## Church warden needed for St Edward's

We need someone to handle the day to day running of the church and organise a lovely team of people, so that they are not overstretched but continue to help. The lucky person will liaise with the Vicar and report to and from the church.

This is a voluntary position and would suit someone who would like to get more involved and help to grow the church. Please contact Rev Petra 01547 529254

## Gladestry 49 Club

Just catching up with the weekly winners in March and April. The winning number is in brackets.

Sue Robinson (48), Heather Carrington (16), Adrian Dawn (7), Dave Bowen (40), Andrea Croose (20), Margaret Maddy (17), Janet Crewe (44), Mary Hughes (15). Mary is deceased and the winnings re-invested.

*Michael Johnson*



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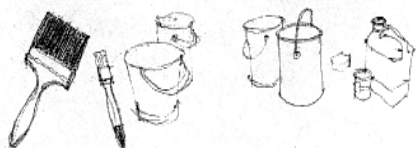
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## Knucklas Notes for June 2022

As spring melds into summer, with the longest day being June 21st, it is the time of maximum growth for most crops and for the shearing of sheep.

So much has been happening in and around Knucklas recently. The elections for the Knighton with Beguildy (and Knucklas!) ward of Powys County Council have yielded Corrina Kenyon Wade (Lib.Dem), of Cuckoos' Nest, Knucklas, a convincing majority vote. Angelique Williams, of White Anthony, an Independent, was in clear second place. Congratulations to both! It was a keenly-fought contest.

Some upgrading of local houses has been visible. Also a quite major set of improvements to the allotments area and the lower parts of Castle Hill have been taking place recently, with the assistance of a local contractor,

leaving the area even more attractive and user-friendly.

A record number of visitors seems to be passing through our area, or staying for a while. It is good to see the Castle Inn being quite in demand again.

The Knighton and District Refugee Support network, with Knucklas involvement, has been in action with a show etc, using local talent, at Knighton Community Centre. There is also a Garden Party at Melin y Grogue in Llanfair, in support of the Ukranian refugees.

I regret having to record the passing of Jean Rosemary Huckfield, after a long-lasting illness. From 1992 she was resident at Barossa, Heyope Road. She was, in her quiet way, an asset to the local community. With every sympathy to Brian and her family.

*Robert Forbath*



### Beguildy Nurse & Queen Mary

A Beguildy nurse at Whitechapel Hospital had a special role to play during World War II. As she was Senior Sister Tutor she offered certificates for nurses who had passed their exams to Queen Mary to distribute to the nurses. During her time at the London hospital she nursed the Warter in the Tower of London. Sir John Mann is in the background and the woman on the right who is wearing a mortarboard was probably the instructor.



The Harris family arrived for this special event. The two little boys are Edward and Tom Harris and the other boy is Tom Watkins from Heartsease. The women are Louie Watkins, Monica Hall [Jones] who was Canon Evan Jones's daughter, Annie Harris and Joyce Harris (Edward's mother).

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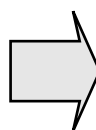
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## KCCLP Ceilidh



Yet again, the Knucklas Castle Community Land Project (KCCLP) team held a delightful Ceilidh. They spent all day cooking a flavoursome Chilli Con Carne and Chilli Con Veggie with rice and veg. We had a choice of fruit salad or a vast array of homemade trifles for pudding.

And then Bandamania entertained us in their wonderful way. Sue Harris led the music on her hammered dulcimer. But she was also the caller who trained people in the variety of dances. It was great to see children, young people and adults of all ages having fun with country dancing.



Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.

*Margaret Mead.*

## Flora

**Container planting:** For small gardens, patios and terraces, pots in different shapes, sizes and colours can make an exciting display. A good rule when choosing plants is to remember thrillers, fillers and spillers. Thrillers are tall, statement plants, arching grass and bushy evergreens. Fillers are colourful flowers and foliage that add texture and bulk out the pot. Spillers are plants that cascade over the side to soften the edges like ivy, Helichrysum or Bacopa.

Containers must have drainage holes to prevent waterlogging. Broken crocks, slate, pebbles in the bottom prevent compost washing away. Before placing pots consider which plants prefer sun to shade, while others dislike the wind.

**Clematis:** Blooms can be huge, glamorous blooms to wild pixie-like blossoms, with colours from deepest purple through reds and pinks to yellows, whites and green tints. That's before you mention the stripes, freckles and spots. Clematis will grow in large pots with a support to scramble up; otherwise they crawl amongst other plants, which can be pretty. You can also plant three varieties of clematis in a hanging basket to form a large ball: 'Filigree' (pale pink) 'Picardy' (almost red), and 'Bijou' (deep pink). They are fully hardy perennials so will come back next year even stronger. Other plants like begonias, lobelia, petunias, verbena, fuchsia, pelargoniums need to be kept in until the frosts are over.

*Jean Price*



# Knucklas Ceilidh



Bandmania



The Arch



Patta-cake



Kate cooking chilli

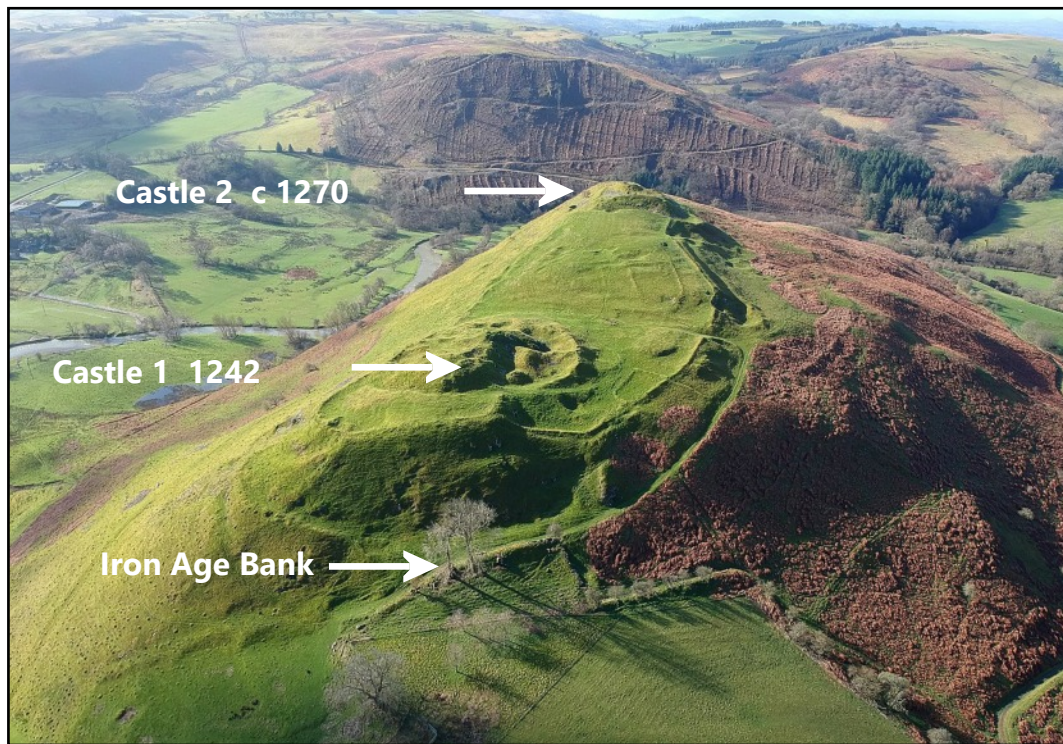


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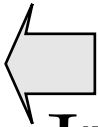
## Cefnlllys Castles

*Photo  
from Wikipedia*



## Tref y clawdd W.I. at Hergest Croft





## A Trip to Cefnlllys Castles

Julian Ravest led the Radnorshire Society (historical) on a glorious sunny day to the Cefnlllys Castles just above Cefnlllys Church, three miles east of Llandod. This hill was probably first a wooden Iron Age fort; an iron age bank surrounds the whole upper site.

We entered at the old bastions and passed outer and inner curtain walls to the bailey and then to the high point where the stone keep with its corner towers once stood. It was built in 1242 by the 11-year old Ralph Mortimer. In the usual way it went back and forth between the English (Mortimers) and Welsh (Llewellyn ap Griffith) over 20 years.

Around 1267 Roger Mortimer eventually got fed up and built another castle at the other end

of the ridge. We crossed the ridge, pausing to view field boundaries on the banks, and house platforms on the top to Castle 2. The top gives a commanding view of the hills and River Ithon below, which surrounds the hill on three sides.

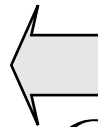
These wonderful landmarks were only in use over 60 years.

To explore these castles, view an excellent ten minute video using drone photography and photogrammetry. Google 'Cefnlllys Castle Julian Ravest You Tube'.

Or walk up to these Mortimer Castles. Park at Shakey Bridge.

*Laura W-J*

*Aerial photo from Wikipedia*



## Tref-y-clawdd W.I.

Once again we've had two lovely meetings this month. The first was a delightful walk around Hergest Croft gardens, culminating in afternoon tea with very light, very large, scones with cream and jam.

Next time we'll go for lunch to have longer to explore and buy the healthy plants that were on offer. We particularly loved the mass of azaleas and a raised bed filled with three pink shades of tulips and forget-me-nots. Look at the lovely photographs, taken by one of our newest members.

The other meeting was a special one in memory of our dear friend and longest serving member, Pauline Parker, who had been battling illness for several months. For many years, Pauline had run the obligatory W.I. Raffle – so in her memory we held a special raffle with superior prizes. At the end of which we toasted Pauline's memory. We'll all remember her terrific sense of humour, her

capacity for enjoyment and enthusiasm for everything around her -not forgetting her delicious Victoria sandwich cakes, appearing at several meetings! We all have lots of fond individual memories and she will be sadly missed

We had to get down then to the serious business of planning the county show entries and finalising details. Every member has promised to contribute something so it should be a great display.

Next month we'll be making enamel jewellery and are inviting other local W.I. members to join us – any excuse for sharing cakes! It should be an inspiring evening for us all.

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*Dorothy Symonds*

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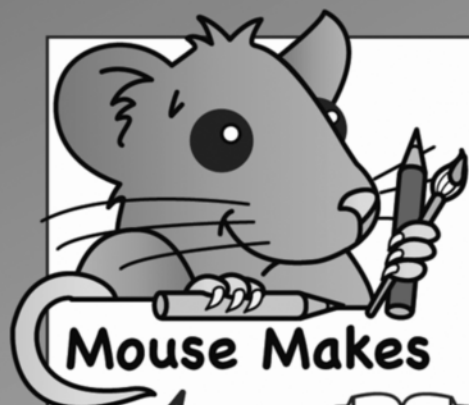
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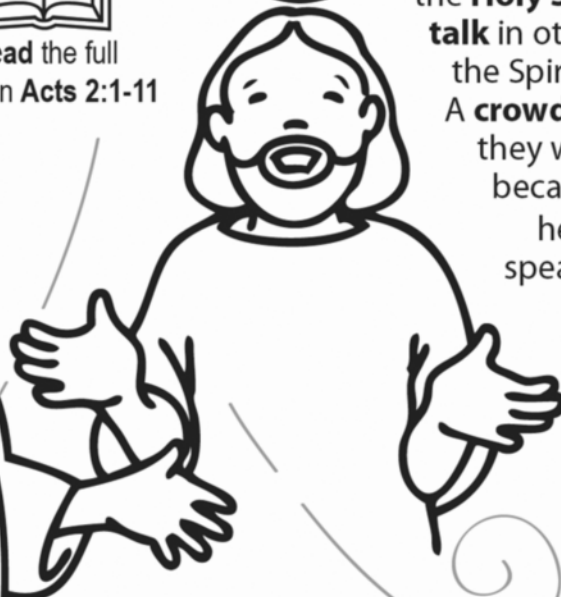
like a strong **wind** and **saw** what looked like **tongues** of **fire** which spread out and **touched each** person.

All of them were **filled** with the **Holy Spirit** and began to **talk** in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them.

A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their **own**



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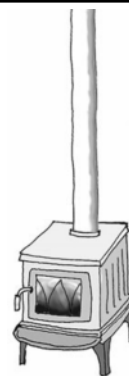
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## Saint Ishmael, 16 June

Do you know the name of the village which was the first area in the whole of the UK to switch from analogue to digital TV in 2005? Here's a hint: it is the same village that had cockle wars in 1993 with gangs from Glasgow, Liverpool and the Gower Peninsula. Have you guessed it yet? It was Dylan Thomas's favourite haunt of Ferryside, where for hundreds of years the ferry went across the River Tywi to Llansteffan and back. Also, there is a beautiful church situated above the river, dedicated to St Ishmael. In Welsh his name is spelled *Isfael*, which means 'under prince', and he really was a prince. He was a Breton from Cornouaille in Armorica where his father, Budig ap Cybydan, was king.

Anyway, Ishmael, or Isfael, Ismel, Ismael, came over to south-west Wales and settled in Pembrokeshire. He was one of St David's best known disciples and also studied under Dobricius and Teilo. His mother was probably Teilo's sister, Arianwedd. His brothers were quite saintly too: Tyfei became a martyr and Euddogwy became Bishop of Llandaff. Ishmael worked alongside Teilo when he became Bishop of St David's and then he went on to receive his own bishopric

at Rhos, a cantref between Haverfordwest and the sea. I tried to find photos of the churches dedicated to St Ishmael, but it all became rather confusing. There are two in St Ishmael's itself, one at Monk Haven and one at the well-known Ferryside. There are others nearer Haverfordwest, notably Uzmaston, Camrose and possibly Haroldston St Issell's, and further south is Rosemarket. One of them, I think the one at Ferryside, is on the old pilgrimage route to St David's. It would make an interesting expedition to explore these ancient churches.

*Rosemary Hanna*



St Ishmaels, Ferryside  
*From National Churches Trust*



### Walks in May

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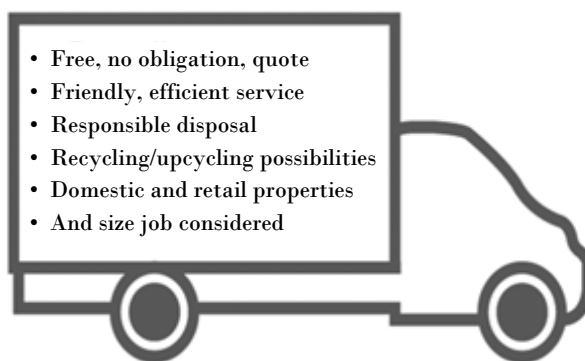


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## Dutlas – The Runnis

*This description of the Runnis in the 1930s continues Idris Lloyd's memories. Corrections for last month.*

*1) We recorded Mr Wood as the postmaster of Dulas but it was Mr William Ward. 2) The photograph attributed to The Harp is actually Halfway House, closer to Knighton, an area called The Whitterley's.*

Thomas Jones lived and farmed at The Runnis. He was the son of Morgan Jones of Rose Cottage Dutlas. My mother was his step-sister. Another sister, Aunt Polly, lived in Bucknell. She was married to George Smith who, with his brother (Frank I think), ran the village shop and bakery in Bucknell. Later the shop was kept by Daryl and Phillis Smith.

Tom Jones rented The Runnis for many years. Giles Swancott, Tregodfa used to help him at busy times. During the war Tom had a live-in assistant known by a possible nickname of 'Smoker'. He smoked a pipe. I never knew his proper name. I think it may have been George. Runnis Chapel held anniversaries which were held at The Runnis before the war (1939-45). They were always quite busy with many children and parents attending.

Tom occupied half of the house, the other half being sublet. Mr Bathurst, or Bathous and his housekeeper, Miss Gather, lived in one half during the early 1930s. Mr Bathurst was a retired Blacksmith. His blacksmith's shop was in Dutlas and he had the reputation of being a very good craftsman. Some of his work is at the old Post Office in Dutlas, he made the fence at the front. Mr and Mrs Deakin lived at The Runnis for awhile. I believe he worked for Mr Elvet Bevan of Vedwllwyd Farm.

During the war a family evacuated from the East coast area to the Runnis: a Mr and Mrs Dalglish and their son and daughter, Alan and Patricia, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lucas(?). Mr. Dalglish was in the army, the rank of Major I think. Alan attended Beguildy and Presteigne County School. Patricia went to school in Knighton. After the war they

went farming near Aberystwyth. I believe this was not successful. I think Alan later joined the army and trained to be an officer. Half of The Runnis house I believe was let as a weekend retreat. These tenants took Tom on a trip to the seaside: this was the first time he had seen the sea, his age then was probably seventy plus.

Tom was well known in the area. He had a mare to do the ploughing and carting on the farm. He usually went to Knighton on Thursday, market day, travelling to and from by Owen's bus service. Returning on the 7pm bus he would be a little intoxicated and when walking from Dutlas he would cross a bridge which belonged to the farm. When he was through the gate at the bridge he was met by the mare. He would catch hold of her tail and she would lead him to the farmyard gate to get him home. Tom was generally known by his nickname Tom The Dut. Tom lived into his nineties and is buried in Beguildy Churchyard near his father's grave. *[Grave on p 37]*

The roadway in front of The Runnis house used to have gates at the chapel and at Runnis. I would earn a few pennies on Bank Holidays opening and closing gates for motorists. Sometimes motorists would get their cars stuck in the ford at Runnis. Tom would earn a little cash by pulling them out with his horse.

The garden at The Runnis was elaborate before the war. It had a network of paths lined with box hedges approximately 3 feet high and 1 foot wide. These were kept neatly trimmed by my grandfather. Inside the roadside fence was a yew tree and several damson trees. The damson trees usually bore a lot of fruit; these were picked and made into jam by my mother, around 100-120 jars. As children we would chase around the paths having great fun and eating apples, raspberries, gooseberries and black and red currants from the garden.

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## St Edward's Church News

Please continue to pray for peace in our world, an end to all wars causing so much suffering to innocent people and children.

We remember all who are unwell at this time in our community and those receiving treatment for cancer in hospital and at home. We send our best wishes to Richard Lewis in Hereford Hospital. We pray that he will soon be well enough to come home. Good news that Gwen Morgan is home after a long spell in hospital. Congratulations and best wishes to Wilfrid Morris who recently celebrated a big birthday!

### Funerals

The funeral service for Lynn Allen who passed away on April 13th aged 61 years took place at St Edward's church on April 29 attended by a large number of family and friends. The hymns chosen were "Abide with me" and "The old rugged cross". Many tributes were paid to a popular lady. The service was conducted by Rev Petra Goodband. Lynn was laid to rest in the new cemetery.

We were all saddened with the passing of Pauline Parker on April 21 in Llandrindod Wells, aged 85 years. The funeral service for Pauline took place at Hereford Crematorium on May 6, conducted by Rev Christobel Hargraves who preached a short sermon. It was Pauline's wish that no tributes were paid to her in the service. Psalm 121 was read by her only sister and the hymns "O Lord my God" and "Be still for the presence of the Lord" were sung. The recessional music was "Somewhere over the rainbow" played by the Salvation Army band. Pauline had been a member of St Edward's and a choir member for many years. She also helped organise the making of the beautiful kneelers in church and worked tirelessly raising funds. We will miss her.

We remember all who are mourning the loss of loved ones. Our thoughts are with Dean and family on the loss of wife Lynne, and Jonathan and family parting with his much loved mother, Pauline.

### Easter Lilies

Thank you to those who gave donations towards the cost of the beautiful white lilies displayed in church for the Easter festival. Lilies were given in memory of Phylis Richards, George and Edith Bathurst, Stephne Price, and Richie and Michael Heakin. Much missed by their families.

### Knighton Show

Handicraft, floral section: The schedules for this section of the show have been printed and will be available very soon. The theme for the W.I. section is "The Victorian era". Show date is August 27.

### Bingo

Come and join in the fun with good company playing bingo in the church hall on June 4 (Jubilee weekend) at 7pm. Good prizes! All welcome!

### Coffee Morning

Our next social get-together will be on June 18 from 10am to mid-day. Usual stalls: books, cakes, produce, bric-a-brac, competitions, and draw. If you have items you would like to donate please bring them along or we will arrange to collect them; just phone 528260. We appreciate your help for our parish church maintenance fund.

### Competition Winners For April

Winners at the April coffee morning were: Ann Higgins, R Reeves, D Price, J Price, B Steadman, L Conway, Ian. The event raised £185 for St. Edward's church fund.

*Jean Price*

## Pubs in Knighton in 1941

*Jim Morris has sent us this article from Radnorshire Society Transactions Vol. 11 1941 listing 31 pubs in Knighton. He has added in italics and square brackets the rough location to where most of them are/were.*

Mr. R. Tench, has kindly provided this list of Inns in Knighton, and says, 60 or 70 years ago, there were in the town four Maltheuses. [The list of Maltheuses on page 31]

NORTON ARMS HOTEL, in Bridge Street was built by the first Sir Richard Green-Price, Bart.

SWAN HOTEL, in Bridge Street, the premises are old, part obviously half-timber work of Elizabethan period, though now covered with plaster. *[Now Saffron]*

GEORGE & DRAGON INN, in Broad Street, dated 1673.

HORSE & JOCKEY INN, Wylcwm place, the old sign taken down in recent years.

RED LION INN, at the corner of West Street and Church Street, a building erected apparently within the last 100 years, formerly a Blacksmith shop stood on the site, and the old Red Lion Inn was lower down Church St. *[Empty shop 14 Church St used to be the Tattoo Shop next to laundrette]*

GOLDEN LION INN, top of the Narrows.

FLEECE INN, in Market Square.

CENTRAL WALES INN, stands opposite the entrance to Station, erected about 1865, after the making of the Railway.

TALBOT INN, Bridge Street, now a shop and dwelling house. *[Next to Saffron]*

BRIDGE INN, Bridge Street, now a shop and dwelling house. *[No 2 Bridge Street]*

CHANDOS HOTEL, at corner of West St and High St, now a Temperance Hotel.

CROWN INN, Broad Street, until lately the Conservative Club. *[Ladies' hairdresser's opposite George & Dragon.]*

JOINERS ARMS, Church Street, now a dwelling house. *[Opposite Thomas Clough's]*

DUKES ARMS, Church Street, now a dwelling house. *[No 2 Church Street]*

GLOBE INN, Broad Street, stood on site now occupied by Mr. Phillips, Chemist Shop and Messrs. Eadie's Boot Shop. *[Barclays Bank Bldg]*

STARS INN or SEVEN STARS INN, Broad Street, where the Town Hall stands. *[Flower Box]*

PLOUGH INN, Market Square, now a dwelling house. *[Back to being an Inn now]*

WINE VAULTS, The Narrows, now a shop and dwelling house. *[17 High Street]*

\*WINE VAULTS Russell Street and corner of Back Lane, now a dwelling house. [LAMB INN, The Narrows, now a dwelling house. *[18 High Street]*

BARLEY MOW INN, Market Street, now a shop and dwelling house. *[Hengoed House behind RAFA Club]*

KING'S HEAD INN, Market Street, now a shop and dwelling house. *[Opposite Fleece]*

ROYAL OAK INN, top of Market St, now a lodging house. *[Set back below 43 Market St]*

BEAR INN, High Street, now a Butcher's Shop. Mr. Wm. Rogers says there was in Knighton, 75 years ago a family named Price who were known as the Bears and were reported to have lived at the Bear Inn. *[The Headmaster]*

THE CONJURORS INN, on Conjurors Barn Bank. *[Top of Knucklas Road]*

THE WINE SHOP, Broad Street, now occupied by Mr. Cartwright.

HALF-WAY HOUSE, situated about half-way to Knucklas, now a dwelling house. It was a fully licensed Inn.

SALUTATION INN 19-22 High Street *[Something to Love]*

DUKES ARMS Bridge Street

\*Also named the THREE HORSESHOES *[at the corner of Russell Street and Piggy Lane]*

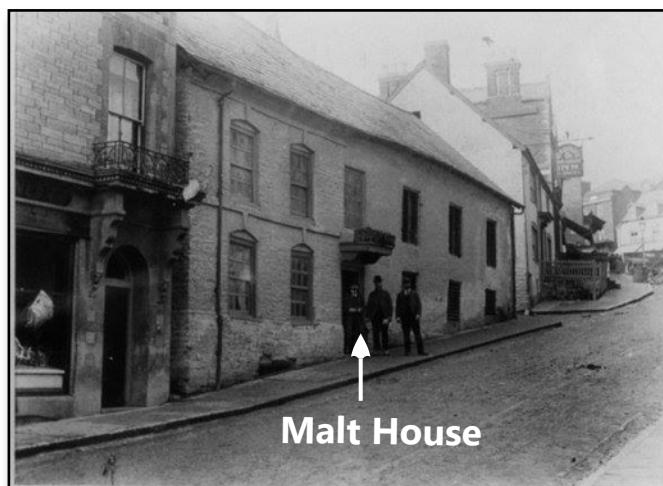
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*From Jim Morris*

## Malthouses in Knighton

(Continued from page 30) In 1941 Mr. R. Tench listed the four Malthouses in Knighton.

- 1) One in Broad Street, belonging to Mr. John P. Davies, sold about 1896 to North and South Wales Bank, then Midland Bank Ltd.
- 2) One was in Station Road where now stands Mr Oscar Medlicott's house 'The Chestnuts'.
- 3) The third stood in Bridge Street nearly opposite the Swan Hotel.
- 4) The fourth was situated in Church Street, now occupied by Messrs. Abley & Sons as a warehouse.



Malt House on Broad Street (George and Dragon beyond) This is the current site of The Banc (formerly HSBC). Photo from Knighton Memories by Malcolm Evans

## Llanfair Waterdine W.I.

This month we had an interesting talk from Anne Cummins "the Famous and the Infamous." She is a graphologist and used examples of the handwriting of some famous or notorious people to analyse their personalities and motivations. It was quite an eye opener.

Members are busy at the moment preparing exhibits for the Powys Radnor Federation County Show which will take place on 18th June. It is open to anybody to visit and there are always wonderful craft and cooking exhibits. It takes place in Knighton Community Centre which means it is very

accessible to everyone who receives this magazine.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Our June meeting is a humorous and understanding talk "A journey with Dementia" and is by our own member Sue Lovell.

We are always glad to welcome visitors but please be aware that because of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday the meeting will be on Wednesday 1st June in the Everest Hall Llanfair Waterdine. For further information please contact either Margaret Clugston (President) on 01547 529155 or Ann Harroway (Secretary) on 01547 528477

## 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.

My father always used to say that when you die, if you've got five real friends, then you've had a great life.

*Lee Iacocca*



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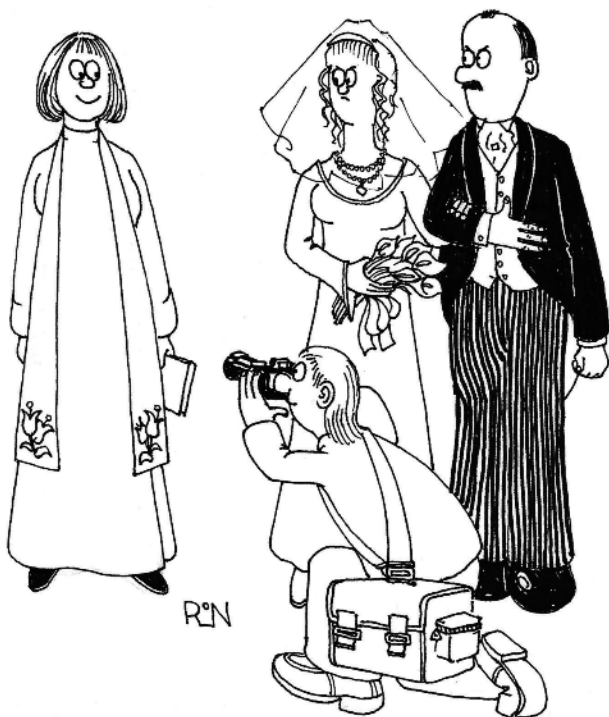
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### **Evenjobb Events**

June 4 see page 17  
June 19 Open Gardens 11:00 on ...  
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– William Shakespeare 'All's Well That Ends Well'

## Rotary Young Photographer Pictures - Knighton Library Display

The Rotary Club of Knighton and District recently held its second Young Photographer Competition with the theme 'The Colours of Nature'. We had 32 entrants aged between 6 and 18 years old and there was a high standard set throughout the age groups.

On 19 April at the opening in Knighton Library of an exhibition of all the 32 entrants in the competition, representatives of Knighton Rotary Club presented several of the winners with certificates. As incoming President Kim Smith said "We are very pleased to see the photographic entries from so many talented Young Photographers. In our eyes everyone is a winner!" Knighton Librarian Hannah Isaacson added "We are proud to be able to display these amazing photographs both in the main library and in the hallway. We also thank the Knighton Rotary Club for all their efforts in creating

such a beautiful display from such a wonderful collection of photographs on the Colours of Nature theme"

The young people are shown with their certificates. Their photos are overleaf.. The display will continue for four weeks during the opening times of the Knighton Library which are Tuesday 10.30am -1pm & 2-5pm Thursday 10.30am-1pm & 2-6pm and Friday 8am - 12.30pm.



Overall winner and First place in 12-15 age group



2nd in 12-15 group



1st in 6-11 group



2nd in 6-11 group



3rd in 6-11 group

I found I could say things with colour and shapes that I couldn't say any other way - things I had no words for.

- Georgia O'Keeffe



# Rotary Club Young Photographers



First in 6-11 group



Second in 12-15 group



Overall winner and First place in 12-15 age group



Third in 6-11 group



Second in 6-11 group





# Pilleth Restoration 2000-2010

Images from local newspapers.



NSPCC Fashion Show: Top row: Peter Hood; Ian Barr, hotel owner; Jackie Morris; Pamela Ansell; Angie Murphy; and Heather Hood. Front row: Joanna Griffiths, Pauline Moodie, and Sheila Ward.



Peter Hood (churchwarden) & Albert Ward (chair of Friends) discuss 600th commemoration of the Battle of Brynglas

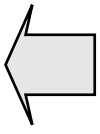


Re-enactment June 22-23 2002. Last of Edmund Mortimer's soldiers running with the English flag.



Friends of Pilleth: Bob McLaughlin, Susan Williams, Albert and Sheila. Wellingtonia's behind.  
*Photo: Esmy Griffiths*





## Restoration of St Mary's Pilleth

*Thanks to Peter and Heather Hood's collection of news items, we can re-tell how Pilleth Church was restored.*

St Mary's Pilleth has a fiery history. It was torched and gutted by Glyndwr after his victory over Edmund Mortimer's army in 1402, one of the biggest military victories for the Welsh. Many who died in the fighting lie buried in the churchyard, marked by Wellingtonia trees. In 1894 a fire left only the shell of the 16th century walls and earlier tower still standing. It was re-built, and in 1911 Mr Tapper installed a temporary roof of asphalt and plywood. He put all his efforts into the magnificent steps, funded by the owner of Nant-y-Groes. However, by the 1990s the church was in a sorry state; the roof was in dire need of replacing.

When Peter Hood (churchwarden) and Heather along with Albert and Sheila Ward of Rock near Bewdley as well as the church community started working towards a restoration project they faced strong opposition. The Lottery commission made an unprecedented visit during 'Foot and Mouth' and saw for themselves the damp and damaged church. They fully supported the group who also won their case at a Consistory Court.

Then began the 10-year process of raising funds and restoring St Mary's. Here are some snippets of that 10- year process.

Hugo Mason of Hereford architects Hook Mason, outlined the work that was going to be done. This included repairing all walls, windows, lime washing the interior, restoring the weather vane, making the unstable bell tower secure and improving access to the church. But the main job would be a new roof (the roof then dated to 1911), using natural

slate to return the church to its former glory. Mike Gammon was the builder

The Friends of Pilleth inspired the raising of £80,000 (25% of the cost) within the local community. The total was more than £300,000. It took 10 years.

Albert and Sheila Ward, (Albert was chair of the Friends) visited the church as amateur historians and fell in love with it. They ran a Pilleth church stall at the Eistedfodd. They devised a fund raising project, 'Buy a Slate'.

At the launch Father Tim Williams said: "This is a memorable occasion for this church up on the hill that has over the years been plagued by fire, vandalism and theft [a sword, breastplate and set of spurs reportedly belonging to Sir John Price were stolen in the 1990s]. We are here to launch a new phase and what better time to do this than the Millennium." He also described Pilleth Church as "a powerhouse of prayers". Earl Lloyd George of Dwyfor, grandson of Lloyd George was the special guest at the launch of the restoration appeal.

In May 2000 there was an art exhibition of small paintings, drawings and prints – some by artists of international reknown -- at Pilleth Court. Peter and Heather cleared out everything in the downstairs rooms of their home to make the exhibition possible. It was held over Easter weekend and £10,000 worth of pictures was sold, raising £4,000 for the restoration.

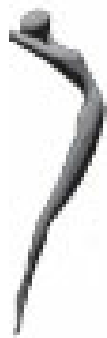
The book "Owain Glyndwr, The War of Independence in the Welsh Borders" by Geoffrey Hodges was sold during the Art Show.

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## Pilleth Restoration *Continued*

### *(Continuing the Restoration)*

The Battle of Pilleth 600<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was a two-day event, Sat & Sun, 22 - 23 June 2002

Battle re-enactment included:

- Medieval camp and cooking
- Medieval dancing
- Pig roast
- Battle Beer & teas
- Vintage car rides (see photo)
- Pony rides
- Dog show
- Falconry
- Stall
- Ferret racing
- Archery displays
- Rubber slide or Bouncy Castle.

Paul Watkins in costume represented the man, Owain Glyndwr, and his times. Another re-enactment was staged in 2007.

Over the ten years these are some of the other fund raising events:

- Frog racing
- Car boot sales
- Barn dances
- Fashion show and luncheon held at Norton Manor Country Hotel with (see photo) over 100 people attending and over 50 staying for lunch.

Juliet Boobyer (living at Little Rodd) displayed her works at the Rodd. A ceramic Dutch artist Anny Kragt displayed her pots at The Rodd in aid of the church.

Michael Marriott gave a talk with slides on English Roses, Old Roses and Shrub Roses at Lingen Community Centre in aid of St Mary's restoration fund.

The church was closed for two years while the work commenced. At the re-dedication service on June 20, 2004 at 3pm there were recitals by the St Michael Singers and Marion Rowlatt.



Re-dedication: Father Andrew Pearce, The Rt Rev Anthony Pierce, Canon Andrew Loat

*Laura W-J from newspaper clippings and Peter and Heather Hoodo*

*St Mary's annual*

### **Battle of Pilleth Service**

26 June, 3pm

*Con Anima*, a choir conducted by George Baker, will take part.

*Con Anima* is a local group, based in Bishop's Castle, and specializing in 'early' music (i.e. music by composers active before 1700).

They will contribute an anthem, a psalm and settings of the canticles and responses.

*Inscription on Thomas Jones grave in Beguildy Churchyard:*



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*Story on page 27.*

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## Stowe & Stanage W.I.



Our May meeting, on the very day of our one hundredth anniversary, welcomed Trish Bridges from Restorella as speaker. The business has been in Knighton for five years, and is run by Trish and her partner Ian. They left stressful jobs in London to move to Knighton, where they fell in love with Wesley House, and the outbuildings were ideal for their venture.

Recycling and restoring all sorts of items are their passion, particularly upholstering. With the aid of Powerpoint Trish gave us a potted history of furniture through the ages, and the stages of upholstery bringing new life and purpose to old items. Nothing is wasted: offcuts are used to create beautiful rag dolls,

teddy bears and cushions, which can be found in their shop.

In the business part of our meeting, seven members expressed interest in learning digital skills through the digital inclusion project being organised by our federation. Four members accepted Tref y Clawdd's invitation to their forthcoming jewellery-making workshop.

Meanwhile we look forward to the celebration of our centenary at a special tea at the Metropole Hotel. At our meeting on 7th June Mari Fforde will talk to us about Hay Castle. Do join us at 7pm in the Reynolds Room.

Alison Thomas 01547 528678 or  
alithomas1@gmail.com

## Gladestry W.I.

Gladestry members are pleased to announce their W.I. is up and running! Unfortunately our next meeting will be after the Magazine has gone to press but look out for photos in the July issue.

Meetings are held in the village hall on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

We'd love to welcome new members and visitors. For more information please contact Marlene Evans (President) 01544370646. Viv Taylor (Sec) 01544370464 or Sian Derrick (Sec) 01544370700. Looking forward to hearing from you.

*Marlene Evans*

### Chatterbrook W.I.

Our next meeting is on **Thursday 9 June**

in Presteigne Memorial Hall at 7.30

This month we focus on

#### **LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

We have speakers from

#### **Dark Skies, Grow Local & Guerrilla Gardeners**

Visitors are welcome - just £4

And on **18 June** we are participating in the County Show in Knighton Comm -

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## Powys Gardens News and Openings for Charity

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### 1 Ystrad House + 2 Coach House

John and Margaret Davis are opening their garden at 1 Ystrad House, 1 Church Road Knighton, for the NGS during the weekend of 25 and 26 June from 2 p.m. until 5.30 p.m., on both days.

Afternoon teas and some plants will be available for sale. This garden is opening together with 2 The Coach House.

Entry is via Ystrad House side gate in Station Road. Entry is £5. which includes both gardens.

We look forward to seeing you.

### National Garden Scheme

#### GARDEN OPEN DAY

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th June

11 am to 5pm

at THE HYMNS, Walton LD8 2RA

Refreshments, plants, garden structures & tools, woodcraft & furniture etc for sale.

Proceeds from gate entries to NGS cancer and nursing related charities

Proceeds from refreshments to W.I., Village Hall & St Stephen's Old Radnor

More details from [www.ngs.org.uk](http://www.ngs.org.uk) and

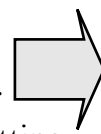
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ALL **VERY** WELCOME!

## National Garden Scheme Schedule for June

Thur 2	2-5pm	Llysdinam, Newbridge-on-Wye LD1 6NB	£5. Teas
Sat 4	1-5pm	Llanstephan House, Llanstephan, Llyswen LD3 0YR <i>{Picnics welcome}</i>	£5. Teas
Sun 12	1-4.30	Little House, Llandinam, SY17 5BH	£4.50
Fri 17	Pre-book	White Hopton Farm, Wern Lane, Sarn SY16 4EN	£7
Fri 17	Pre-book	Welsh Lavender, Maesmynis, Builth LD2 3HU	£5. Teas
Sat/Sun 18-19	2-5pm	Tranquility Haven, 7 Lords Land Whitton LD2 3HU	£4.50. Teas
Fri 24	Pre-book	Welsh Lavender, Maesmynis, Builth LD2 3HU	£5. Teas
Sat 25 & 26	2-5pm	Bron Hafren, Garthmyl, SY16 6RT	£5. Teas
Sat/Sun 25-26	1-5pm	1 Ystrad House & No 2 Old Coach House, Church Road, Knighton LD7 1EB	Joint for £5. Teas
Sat 25 & 26	10.30-5	The Hymns, Walton, LD8 2RA	£5. Teas
Sun 26	2-5pm	Cwm Weeg, Dolfor, SY16 4AT	£6. Teas
Sun 26	10.30- 4.30	New Radnor Gardens, New Radnor, LD8 2SP <i>The Hub in New Radnor is doing Teas for the Open Gardens on Sunday, 26 June.</i>	£6. Teas/Hub

## World Premiere at Heyope



The Pilgrimage of Song led by Revd Annie Ballard and Geoff Weaver chose a lovely May weekend for pilgrims. On Friday, 13 May, pilgrims from around the country, some on their twentieth pilgrimage, visited Huntington Church where they had a service of song. Then they followed the Gladestry brook to Gladestry, where they also had a service of song.

On Saturday they repeated the pattern, but Heyope was blessed with a world premiere. Geoff Weaver had set a poem, "Peace" by Terry Waite, to choral music.

*Peace is the fragile meeting*

*Of two souls in harmony.*

*Peace is an embrace*

*That protects and heals*

*Peace is a reconciling of opposites.*

The choir also sang a moving version of Isaiah 45.8 "Rain down Justice from above" by

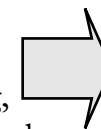
Ogden. After the service the choir picnicked in the churchyard before setting off for Llanfair Waterdine where they had a late afternoon service of song.

At each church Revd Annie explored the journey of Pilgrim in John Bunyan's "The Pilgrim's Progress". A ragged Pilgrim carrying a tremendous burden on his back sets out on a journey to a shining light at a wicket gate on the horizon. On his journey he meets characters with names like 'Pliable' and 'Hope' representing doubts, fears, temptations. Finally he arrives at the Celestial City, wearing fine clothing and without his burden.

On Sunday morning the choir sang at St Edward's Knighton. At each service during the weekend they sang different anthems and songs – a treat for them and certainly a treat for us!

*Photos and article by Laura W-J*

## A tree for John Bradford at Knighton Comm



The new Wildlife Garden at Knighton and District Community Centre is springing into life, and its links to the local community continue to grow. The garden has a new pergola and wedding arch, which will be planted in time for summer weddings at the Comm.

A crab apple tree has been planted in memory of John Bradford who passed away from Covid in early 2021. John was born in Kinnerton and became a well-known member of the Knighton community. From 1975, when he opened the hairdresser in West Street (which moved to Brookside in the early 80s), he was known as Mr Snips. Later John took over from his dad Bob in Bradfords shop, selling plants and garden equipment.

John and friends started the Knighton Christmas Extravaganza in 1995 which saw

the streets close, late-night shopping, street entertainment and a visit from Father Christmas every year for a number of years. He also put together and provided hanging baskets and flower troughs to display throughout the town.

John was a particularly well-liked and friendly person who always made time to talk and listen to people. Shops closed and the streets of Knighton were lined with people to give him a send off on the day of his burial. There is also a chestnut tree planted in his memory in the Cwm.

The pictures are of John and also of Jane Bradford and her sons together with the Comm trustees, staff and volunteers at the Knighton Community Centre planting on 9th March.

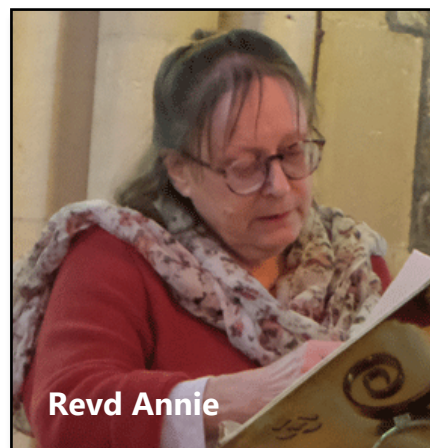
*Nandita Dowson*



## Pilgrimage of Song



Geoff Weaver conducting at St David's Heyope



Revd Annie



Geoff Weaver



Choir enjoying the view



John Wardle

## John Bradford Memorial Tree







Night out in Llangunllo

## An "Italian Job" at Llangunllo



An Italian Welcome



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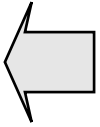


Italian Pizza



Neopolitan Ice Cream

*Photos by Isabel Morris*



## An Italian Night at Llangunllo

The Friends of St Cynllo's Church held an Italian Night in the Village Hall on Friday 13th May.

Fortunately, Llangunllo Community is not superstitious and the hall was full to enjoy the classic film "The Italian Job" starring Michael Caine, and of course, the red, white and blue Mini Coopers of the car chase.

Refreshments were also Italian style, with a selection of pizza served, followed by

Neapolitan ice cream, tea/coffee and everyone enjoyed their own drinks.

The raffle prizes were a super Italian Food Hamper, Italian Chocolates and a bottle of Prosecco. Lucky winners were Alan Morris, Milwyn Probert and Georgie Suddes-arry.

The Friends thank all for attending and look forward to hosting their next themed film night.

*Friends of St Cynllo's*

### New Radnor Fun Day

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### New Radnor

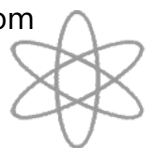
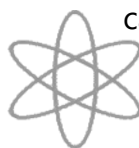
#### Get to know your community

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Researchers from the University of Massachusetts Amherst point out that: "Steps are very simple to track, and there is a rapid growth of fitness-tracking devices."

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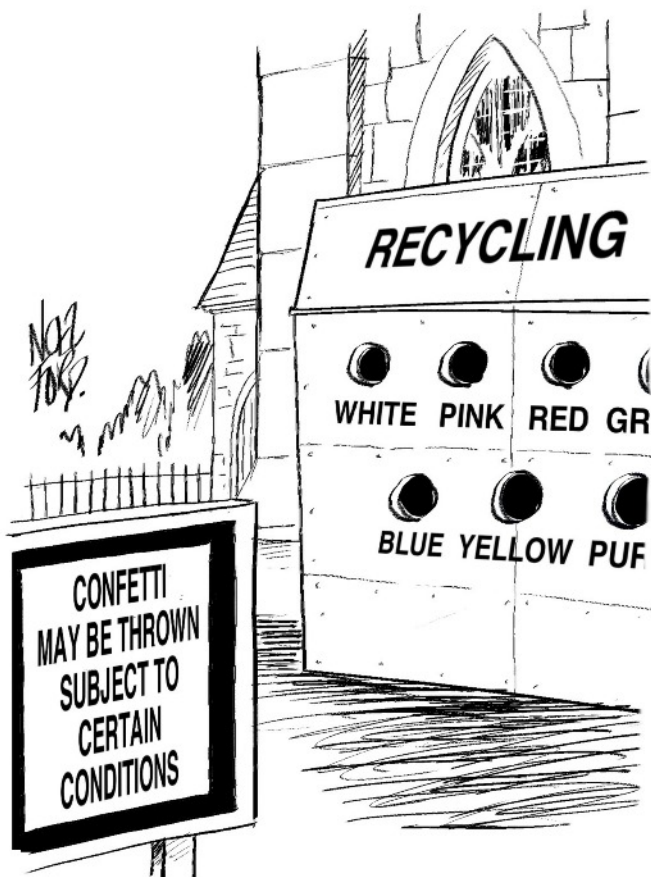
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The child had every toy his father wanted.

– Robert C. Whitten



### Special Awareness Days in June

**1-7** Volunteers Week

**1** World Milk Day

**5** Sausage Roll Day

**5** World Environment Day

**6-12** National Bike Week

**8** World Oceans Day

**19** Father's Day

**21** The Longest Day and World Giraffe Day

**23** National Writing Day. [Write a piece for The Radnor to honour this day.]



## COMMUNITY EVENTS June 2022

Wed 1	Tref-y-clawdd WI 7pm St Ed's Hall Llanfair W.I Everest Hall 7pm. Organ Recital, Brecon Cathedral 7.30
1-7	Walton Hall at Kington Charity Shop
2-4	Flower Festival, 10-4, St Andrews Presteigne
2 -5	Queen's Jubilee Celebrations (p 15)
Fri 3	Roman Holiday' Film, Llanfair Everest Hall 6pm. Free Concert, Brecon Cathedral 1pm
Sat 4	Bingo. St Edward's Hall, 7pm
Tue 7	Stowe & Stanage, W.I., Reynolds Room, 7pm
Wed 8	Floral Arts Lunch, 12.15 Kingsland Jigsaw swap and book sale, Walton Hall 10-1
Thur 9	Chatterbrook W.I. Presteigne Mem Hall, 7.30
Fri 10	Free Organ Concert, Brecon Cathedral 1pm
Tue 14	Writing Course, Knighton Comm 11-1 Whitton Coffee Morn, Vill Hall 10.30
Wed 15	Deadline for The Radnor (Jul - Aug)
Fri 17	Free Piano Concert, Brecon Cathedral 1pm
Sat 18	Knighton Coffee Morning, Church Hall 10am New Radnor Plant Sale, Old Town Hall, 9.30.... N.R. Organisations at Comm Centre, 9.30-12.30 W.I. Country Show, Knighton Comm
Sun 19	Songs of the Spirit, St Edwards, 4pm. Open Gardens at Evenjobb 11 on
Mon 20	Teme Valley Gardening Club, Knucklas Comm. 7.30pm
Tue 21	Gladestry W.I. Gladestry Village Hall Hearing Clinic, Knighton Comm 10-1

Fri 24	Free Guitar Concert, Brecon Cathedral 1pm
Sat/Sun 25-26	The Hymns, Walton, Open Garden, 11-5pm 1 Ystrad House, & 2 Coach House open for NGS. 2- 5.30 p.m.
Sun 26	Messy Church, Knucklas Comm. 4pm Battle of Pilleth Service, 3pm NGS Open Gardens at New Radnor 10.30-4.30
2 July	New Radnor Fun Day 12 noon

Churches Together  
Songs of Praise

### *Songs of the Spirit*

**Sunday 19 June 4pm**

St Edward's Church

### Grid References and Church Postcodes

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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
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Cascob	SO 239664	LD8 2NT
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## REGISTERS:

### Funerals

5 May John George Zion Chapel, Bleddfa

6 May Pauline Parker Hereford Crem

### Baptism

1 May Holy Baptism Mia Rose Davies St Mary's  
Bucknell with Rev Petra Goodnand and Rev  
Martin Quale



Ministry Area Zoom Service every  
Sunday at 6pm until 31 July. If you  
haven't joined zoom before contact  
Revds Petra or Rachael for the link.

### Baptist Sunday Worship - June

- 5 Norton Street, 11am, Communion  
Pentecost Picnic & Praise in the Park  
from 4.30 pm, Bryn-y-Castell (behind  
Knighton Community Centre)  
4.30 pm: Picnic together (bring your  
own food & drink) followed by...  
6.00 pm: Songs of Praise in the Park
- 12 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
- 19 Norton St, 11am Morning Worship  
Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 26 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship  
Knucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm
- Jul 3 Norton St, 11am, Communion  
Knucklas Chapel, 6pm

### Methodist Sunday Worship - June

Victoria Rd, Knighton every Sunday at 11am.

- 5 Deacon Sara Windsor-Hides
- 12 Local Arrangements
- 19 Deacon Sara Windsor-Hides
- 26 Rev Roger Hides - Communion
- 3 July Rev Dr Neil Richardson

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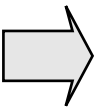
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### Open the Book

Would you like to be part of the fun taking Bible stories to Knighton Primary School? Because of Covid we have not been able to go into school and have been making videos for them, but now at last the team is finally able to go into school with the stories.



During term time each team member goes in twice a month on Thursday afternoon. We meet at 2pm for an assembly at 2.45. School is out at 3pm. Without Sunday Schools this is a good opportunity for children to hear the stories of Moses, Noah, Peter and Jesus.

We have a marvellous wardrobe of costumes and props, and all the stories are written out for us. To learn more, without obligation, contact either the editor or Rosemary Hanna. Details on page 7.

Be sticky

Consider the postage stamp. Its usefulness consists in its ability to stick to one thing until it gets there.



Disciples with a great catch of fish



Disciples at Pentecost with tongues of fire

## Open the Book



Disciples in Jerusalem



Disciples on the Sea of Galilee



St Peter healing the lame man



St Peter raising Tabitha from the dead

June 2022	5 June Pentecost Red	12 June Trinity White	19 June Trinity 1 Green	26 June Trinity 2 Green	3 July Thomas [Apostle] Red
Readings	Acts 2. 1-21 Psalm 104. 24-36 Romans 8. 14-17 John 14. 8-17, [25-27]	Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31 Psalm 8 Romans 5. 1-5 John 16. 12-15	1 Kings 19. 1-15a Psalm 42 and/or 43 Galatians 3. 23-29 Luke 8. 26-39	2 Kings 2.1,2,6-14 Psalm 77. 11-20 Galatians 5.1,13-25 Luke 9. 51-62	Habakkuk 2. 1-4 Psalm 31. 1-5 Ephesians 2.19-22 John 20. 24-31
	<b>Beguildy</b> <i>St Michael</i>	No Service	No Service	9.30am Morn Prayer	No Service
	<b>Bleddfa</b> <i>M Magdalene</i>	7.30pm Compline	No Service	No Service	7.30pm Compline
	<b>Heyope</b> <i>St David</i>	No Service	11am Holy Communion	No Service 6.30pm Evensong	No Service
Beacon Hill	<b>Llangunllo</b> <i>St Cynllo</i>	No Service	No Service	No Service	No Service
	<b>Cascob</b> <i>St Michael</i>	3pm H Communion	No Service	No Service	3pm H Communion
	<b>Knighton</b> <i>St Edward</i>	11am Holy Communion	11am Morning Worship	11am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion
	<b>Norton</b> <i>St Andrew</i>	No Service	No Service	No Service	No Service
East Radnor	<b>Pilleth</b> <i>St Mary</i>	No Service	No Service	3pm Battle of Pilleth Service	No Service
	<b>Whitton</b> <i>St David</i>	No Service	9.30am Holy Communion	No Service	No Service
	<b>Colva</b> <i>St David</i>	2.30pm Even Prayer	No Service	No Service	2.30pm Even Prayer
	<b>Evancoyd</b> <i>St Peter</i>	11am Morning Prayer	10am Holy Communion	11am Morning Prayer	11am Morning Prayer
New Radnor	<b>Gladestry</b> <i>St Mary</i>	No Service	No Service	9.30am Holy Communion	No Service
	<b>Llan'i Nant Melan</b> <i>St Michael</i>	10am Morning Prayer	No Service	No Service	10am Morning Prayer
	<b>New Radnor</b> <i>St Mary</i>	No Service	10am Morn Prayer N.R. Comm Hall	No Service	11.15am Holy Communion