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#### Radnorshire Arms - Beguildy



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#### The Radnorshire Arms

Beguildy's pub, the Radnorshire Arms, reflects the livelihood of many in our Ministry Area: sheep rearing. The name Beguildy means 'shepherd's dwelling' still proclaimed in the pub sign. Built around 1650, it was a drover's pub, marked originally by four pine trees. The last of the four shown in the photo has recently come down. You can still see the four tall trunks in the pleasant garden, which has been underwater when the Bugail stream flooded.

Drovers brought their sheep along the Teme Valley or down from The Beacon and put them in the enclosure at the opposite end from the garden. After going inside for refreshment they continued on to Pound Farm where they watered their sheep in the Teme and stayed the night. They probably continued to the wool centre in Leominister. Alternatively they might have used the stables and/or slaughter house next to the **Radnorshire Arms**.

Once the pub was thatched. The present owners, Martyn and Sue Williams, uncovered bits of thatch where additions had covered an older area of roof. The photograph from 1870 shows the thatched pub with St Michael's

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Thatched Radnorshire Arms - about 1870

above, but it was completely re-built in 1895. The building next to it, probably a vicarage, is now gone.

One of the **Radnorshire Arms'** delights is the entrance, a narrow double door, which requires a sideways movement. If you turn left you are in a small restaurant, once a parlour. Over the years the pub has changed, doorways and stairs have been moved, but the photos showing the bar and the inglenook fireplace are the original building. You will always find a welcoming fire on a cold night in that cosy room with its low ceiling and sagging beams.

Guests often speculate about this old chalk sign above the bar (key below).



Next to the bar is an addition (perhaps 70 years old) which did have a pool table, but is now a comfortable seating area with sofas. Beyond that is another more recent addition, perhaps 50 years old, which is now restaurant seating and another entrance.

The pub feels old and unchanged, a pleasant place for locals and visitors. Besides a fine drink with friends inside or in the garden, visitors enjoy Martyn's wonderful cookery. Specials night is Tuesday.

Article and photos by Laura W-J Sources: "The Pubs of Radnorshire" by Tony Hobbs. Martyn and Sue. Old photos are hanging in The Radnorshire Arms

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Dear friends,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter, it was wonderful to see so many of you. Not everything went according to plan but all outcomes were positive.

We are now moving forward towards Ascension Day and I hope that many of you will be joining Rachael or I at the services.

When Jesus walked the earth, He took His church with Him in the form of the disciples, those who are named and those who were not. "Many hands make light work" it is said. Jesus has plenty of people with Him as He continued in ministry and they helped. Jesus would send them out to baptise and heal, making disciples of others.

We now do this but are based around a church building. Many of these buildings are struggling as they do not have the people to help run them. It is very difficult for a worship leader to be able to focus and get in the right head space if they are setting up the altar and meeting and greeting. If any of you feel called to help in any way please contact me. These churches cannot carry on without the people to run them.

Jesus ascended into heaven, effectively going home. Let us start to look at our churches as places that we can go to and use our imagination to use them for more than services. I would love to hear from people who would like to use these wonderful spaces.

I wish you every joy for the coming month and hope that the weather is kind and we can enjoy this beautiful area that we live in.

Love and blessings

Petra

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In the ceremony of baptism, when St Vladimir is given his Christian name of Wasyl, he receives the blessing of the bishop. His head is covered by the bishop's vestment showing Vladimir's temporal and spiritual powers over his subjects.

In the background is the Church of the Blessed Virgin constructed in 996 by St. Vladimir who donated 1/10 of his wealth for the building of this Church. His baptism was either in Kyiv itself, or Korsun, or Wasyliw.

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#### Oxford Arms and The Anchor

pposite St Michael's Beguildy was another Inn, the **Oxford Arms**. It probably closed by the end of the 1800's, and is a private home, 'Church House' or 'Church Cottage'.

A large chair in the church, probably a huntsman's chair, is said to have come from the **Oxford Arms**. But the inscription attributes it to another popular Inn, the **Anchor**. The inscription above the coat-of-arms says, "The Anchor Inn," but rather confusingly also says, "Craven Arms, Salop" beneath. One assumes that Craven Arms refers to the district.

The **Anchor** is worth a mention even though, being in Shropshire, it is out of our Ministry Area. But it is still popular in the Teme Valley. Stories about evenings at the **Anchor** abound.

Its name is probably a corruption of the Dutch word, 'anker' which was a 10 gallon barrel measure for wine and brandy. Although the building is nineteenth century, it stands on the site of an older inn on a Drover's Way – an important watering site for a long time.

The huntsman's chair at Beguildy Church probably arrived at the **Anchor** during the ownership of the huntsman, Charles de Courcy-Parry. He bought the **Anchor** in the early 1930's when, thirsty after hunting, he found the door was locked. The landlord told him he would only open up if he bought the inn. The thirsty, wealthy man wrote him a cheque on the spot. Being a keen hunter he kennelled his hounds there during the summer. The coat-of-arms on the chair shows a frothing tankard, hounds and an anchor.

Another notable licencee was Joanna Preece who set up a country and western club in the 1970's. Coaches came from all around for cabarets featuring stars like Jasper Carrot, Slim Pickins and Max Boyce.

After those glory days the pub went into decline and it closed for four years, and almost became derelict. But happily it was bought and restored, and remains a charming place with fine ales and good home-made food to order. "Whatpub" describes it as "undoubtedly 'unspoilt'." *Photos and article by Laura W-J* 

#### More About the Red Lion and the Duke's Arms

As a follow on to last month's article about two pubs, Diane Rudge has told us that the current **Red Lion** was probably a butcher's shop and the older **Red Lion** is next to it down Church Street.

Also the **Duke's Arms** which I assumed was demolished to make way for Barclay's Bank was again actually the building next to the bank. The buildings for the old **Red Lion** and the **Duke's Arms** (or **Old Duke**) are opposite each other. Many thanks for the eagle eye and Knighton knowledge.

\*\*Laura W-J\*\*







The former Duke's Arms

Church House, once the Oxford Arms



The Anchor Inn above the River Teme *Photo* © *Jeremy Bolwell 'Geograph'* 



Inside The Anchor Inn from whatpub.com

# Oxford Arms and The Anchor





Hunstman's Chair at Beguildy Church





Altar Cloth: Cenydd, Church, Sheep, Car, Tractor, Wheatsheaf, Birds, Tree

















Cenydd in a basket, fed by seagulls

Cenydd, deformed leg

Burry Holme, ruined chapel

#### Gower Pilgrimage with Swansea and Brecon Diocese

Swansea and Brecon made a pilgrimage on 26 March to its southernmost place on the tip of Gower. A free coach transported us across the Brecon Beacons to Llangennith where we met another coach from Swansea. Pilgrims from our diocese, including our new Bishop John, set off on a 4.5 mile pilgrimage in glorious sunshine to explore the life of St Cenydd, a 6th century saint.

Just like Moses, legend has it that he was washed up in a basket on the 'island' of Burry Holmes, an island at high tide, but joined by an isthmus at low tide. It shares the beach with Rossili with its 'island' of Worms Head, also only accessible at low tide.

A princess didn't rescue Cenydd. Instead the story tells of seagulls (and angels) feeding him bread, and deer offering milk. Whatever his upbringing, he was educated with other Welsh saints at St Illtyd's in Llantwit Major. He returned to his native Gower, and built his centre where the present church stands.

Sweet water flowed from a holy well on Llangennith green where Cenydd struck the ground with his staff (another echo of Moses). The little settlement grew into a monastic village and hermitage on Burry Holmes. Although it was later destroyed by Vikings, it has always retained its monastic ethos.

Article and photos by Laura W-J



From our Ministry Area: Sue Barron, Nicola Payne, Rebe Brick, Iris Greaves, Laura behind camera

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#### **Coronation at Felindre Village Hall**

Felindre Village Hall, which only opened in 1949, hosted a Coronation Event for the Teme Valley. Peter Hood kindly passed on a series of photos from Margaret Wood which will be displayed at the Hall. Identification is problematic 70 years on.



Man behind box is probably Edward Harris with wife, Joyce Harris in matching coat

> and hat is in front of box. Woman on her left is holding a coronation mug from the box. Two of the girls at left top edge

of box are Margaret Davies and Jean Brick (blonde) behind her right elbow.



Brunette woman in black is Rosa Thomas, woman behind is Mrs Rogers, Rene Lewis is behind Rosa in a fancy hat.

Ruth Barnett



Of the two girls looking our way the one on the right is Dorothy Barnett.



on Saturday 4 June at Felindre Village Hall, there will be a display of old photos including these coronation celebrations at the Hall. If you have any photos of previous celebrations or events or old school/family photos we would love to see them; please contact felindrevh@gmail.com



Boy on left looking straight at us is Tony Stephens



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

#### **COLVA**

#### Sunday, 5th June.

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

#### NORTON

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#### **LLANGUNLLO**

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

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#### Knucklas

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

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**Thursday 2 June** Victoria Rd street party with live music, times to be confirmed.

#### **EVENJOBB**

Saturday June 4th from 5.00pm on, Barbecue, and live music at 8.00pm. Bring your own meat to be barbecued; salads are supplied and a bar is available. Tony and Turquoise, our popular resident performers, will provide music to dance to.

#### **FELINDRE**

Saturday 4 June from 3pm.

Street party/afternoon tea event at Felindre Village Hall
Details are still being finalised of what is happening with entertainment on the actual day.

Thursday evening 2 June - Beacon lit

I think the worst thing you can do about a situation is nothing.

- Ice Cube



#### More on Rent Holes

#### **Ancient Radnorshire Ceremony**

Thank you, Peter Hood and Margaret Wood for the interesting article in last month's edition.

The Royal Commission of the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales says this ceremony was also performed at a place called the "Holey Piece" (aptly named!) in Llangunllo Parish.

On the Tithe Map of 1840 a field named the "Holy Piece" is located at Upper Bayes (now part of Malygoed Farm). Could this be the "Holey Piece" referred to?

Nearby, coins from the reigns of Elizabeth 1, James 1 and Charles 1 were found in 1814.

Isabel Morris, with grateful thanks to Trevor Jones for his research

#### Mums, kids, love and laughter---

---were all there at St Cynllo's along with Dads and Grandads and a rather unusual snail called Bob. Our Mothering Sunday service began with the lighting of a candle to remember all those mothers that are no longer with us.

Then, from two light hearted readings of quotes from 7 and 8 year olds, we learnt that grandmothers can take their teeth and gums off and wear funny underwear but everyone should have one, and that mothers are the ones who know you're afraid of the dark and can be perfect inside but outside maybe a bit of plastic surgery would help.

'Mother' and 'love' two words that fit together perfectly for good reason and the reading of the beautiful 1 Corinthians chapter 13 reminded us just how important love is to us all.

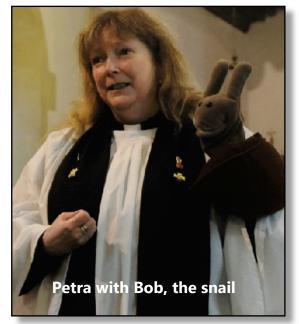
Petra introduced us to Bob, who is one of her furry children, and he amused us all as well as helping to make the youngsters relax and feel at home. They were soon holding up boards to remind us of those we need to hold in our prayers.

Next they helped with giving out the 'thank you' hearts and token packages of sweeties which replaced posies this year, and asked for people's mothers' names and relayed them to the scribe at the front who wrote them on to the large heart. No-one was forgotten. Of course the names of the children's own Mums were also included – especially the one whose name was 'Mummy'.

Also poignantly in mind were the many mothers in Ukraine presently reduced to having **nothing except love** to offer their children, and half of the collection as well as the money that would usually be spent on the posies was dedicated to help.

Pam Livingstone-Lawn

#### **Llangunllo Mothering Sunday**









Petra & children pass out hearts and sweets



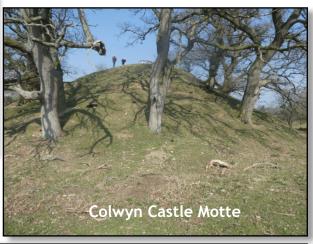


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# Mothering Sunday

Flowers







#### Radnorshire Society Visits the Giant's Grave

The knowledgeable Mo Lloyd led the Radnoshire Society's visit from Hundred House to the Giant's Grave, a skyline grave visible from many places along the hills and valley of the River Edw.

We first explored a little known but massive motte and bailey Colwyn Castle, also called "The Mount." It sits in the Edw valley just a stone's throw from Hundred House. Indeed the river stones were piled up to build it. The Normans built in valleys, and this one from 1090 lasted about 100 years before it was replaced by a Welsh one on the hill. The \*sessions were eventually moved to Builth.

We made our way up the hill to a 17th century Quaker Meeting House, now a farm. It was linked to The Pales Meeting House, which sadly has recently closed.

We continued up to the Giant's Grave which is the burial site of Red Wolf Gethin. He was 'Red' because he wore the fur of a red fox, and 'Wolf' because he was reputed to have killed the last wolf in Yardro. He was also a tall man, hence 'Giant'. It is a big barrow, perhaps 3 metres (several feet) across and about 1 metre (nearly 4 feet) tall. There is no marker.

Laura W-J
\*A 'session' was the sitting of a court or council to
conduct business.

The motte would have had a tower or castle on it. The bailey was the enclosure around the motte; its edge was marked by a ditch and mound or palisade.

#### Llangunllo Hall 200 Club April 2022

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Bishop John's theme was "I don't believe it!" The disciples didn't believe the women when they told them the tomb was empty. Thomas couldn't believe until he saw the risen Jesus. We too have doubts, but like the disciples the truth of the resurrection shines through the darkness.

The Llanfair Singers with Seam O'Farrell on the organ and Graham Trew conducting lifted our Easter hymns. But even more wonderful was their singing of the "Hallelujah" chorus from Handel's Messiah. Oh, it was a joy!

\*\*Laura W-J\*\*

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\*\*The Llanfair Singers with Seam O'Farrell on the organ and t

#### The Editor's Message

Due to health issues the editor must resign after the July/August edition of **The Radnor**. We are looking for person(s) who might fill this role. You could form a team, for instance:

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It is a great reward to see your work professionally printed, and it is so interesting to gain local knowledge. We have a style sheet for the present magazine, but you can make it whatever you like. Individuals and organisations send lots of material; you don't need 'filler'. Please contact the editor, Petra or Rachael, (page 7) for more information.

Laura Woodside-Jones

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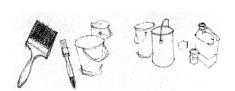
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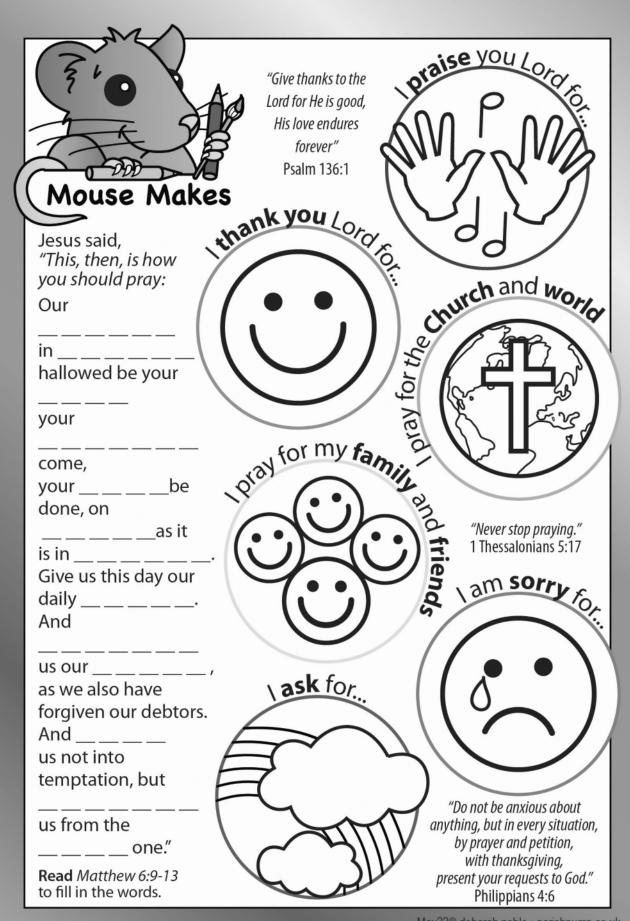




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#### Felindre W.I.

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Felindre W.I.'s April meeting was a macramé workshop at The Radnorshire Arms, where Maggie Flanders taught members how to make a key-ring tassel.

Following the workshop and a snack lunch, President Jayne Harris welcomed members to the business part of the meeting. Secretary Rhona Barnett thanked Jayne for organising the belated Christmas dinner held in March.

Members deplored HSBC Bank's recent decision to change all community accounts to a business account with a monthly fee and charges for every transaction, and agreed to move Felindre's account to a free on-line community account with the Co-operative Bank.

Various County activities planned for the coming months were discussed. Jayne will post a celebratory message from Felindre W.I. to Her Majesty the Queen on the W.I. Thankbox Card website. Members have been asked to provide cakes for the Jubilee Party to be held at Felindre Village Hall on Saturday 4th June.

It was suggested that members might donate goods to Ukraine, but this needs researching.

Felindre W.I.'s next meeting will be a visit to the Bracken Trust on Wed 25th May at 2pm.

New members are always welcome – contact Jayne on 01547 510644.

Photo and article by Maggie Flanders

#### Stowe & Stanage W.I.

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Our April meeting welcomed three new members as well as guests from Tref y Clawdd. Lynne Danby came to tell us about her wonderful collection of wedding dresses. She was only able to bring a fraction of all the dresses she owns, since many are full-skirted and not easy to transport.

It was fascinating to see how fashions changed from the early 1800s with wide sleeves and high waists, to the more fitted style of the 1990s. White dresses became more common during the reign of Queen Victoria, while those who could not afford a special dress wore a new outfit, often in blue. Lynne showed us an outfit from 1882 with a very fitted skirt which was tied behind the knees to maintain its smooth line. The 1930s brought silky material, cut on the cross, in the style of Mrs Simpson, while the 1940s' fashion was for lots of buttons and long trains. The 1960s reverted to the Regency style or sometimes a bouffant ('meringue-like') style! Nowadays — anything goes!

At our meeting on 3rd May Tricia Bridge will tell us about her Knighton business, Restorella. Do join us at 7pm in the Reynolds Room. Alison Thomas 01547 528678 or alithomas1@gmail.com

The ultimate tragedy is not the oppression and cruelty by the bad people but the silence over that by the good people.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

#### Felindre W.I.



Stowe & Stanage WI - Wedding Dresses







Easter Daffodils at Whitton



Easter Daffodils at New Radnor

#### New Radnor W.I. - Easter Bonnets



The Easter Bonnet competition was won by Christine Gould 2nd L), 2nd Jennifer Oldridge (1st L), Joint 3rd Jane Donald (3rd L) and Angela Powell (4th L)



Jean Price - Easter Flower Demo

#### Tref-y-clawdd W.I.







#### New Radnor W.I.



At the April meeting of New Radnor W.I. members and guests enjoyed an illustrated talk about the work of the Radnorshire Wildlife Trust from Janice Vincett. It was particularly interesting to learn how to identify the most common bees found in our gardens.

A varied programme is planned for Wednesday 4th May having a visit to the Bracken Trust Shop, Llandrindod Wells. The meetings are usually held the first Monday in each month except where they fall on a Bank Holiday when it is the following Wednesday.

Please contact the Secretary Carolyn Price on 01544 350317 for any enquiries.

Article and photo by Carolyn Price

#### Tref-y-clawdd W.I.



We've had a busy month. Our group was invited to a talk on "Wedding Dresses through the Ages" by Stowe and Stanage W.I. which we all enjoyed and had a warm welcome.

That evening some members then joined the W.I. craft group at Crossgates for a fun evening of making mini teddies as "bear hugs".

Then it was our regular April meeting... We welcomed Jean Price for our much anticipated "Easter Flower Display Demonstration" which was fascinating, as Jean always has lots of ideas, and did several different styles of arrangements to allow for different tastes. We all really enjoyed her expertise and warmth.

In normal business our Subs were due and we were very happy to welcome another new member. The Book Club and Bring and Buy were kept busy as it's a popular part of our meeting. Most members also remembered to bring a handmade Easter card as their competition entry, (obviously a popular choice).

We rounded off the meeting by taste testing cheese scones made by Lin, and reached a unanimous conclusion as to our favourite, but who doesn't like a good cheese scone! Then as an added bonus Tina brought little Easter cakes to share so we arrived home late and full of plumptiousness.

If you would like to join our friendly group we meet at 7pm on the first Wednesday of each month at St Edward's church hall, but not next month as we're off to HERGEST gardens for a tour and afternoon tea!

Please contact Dorothy for extra information 01547 528692

Dorothy Symonds

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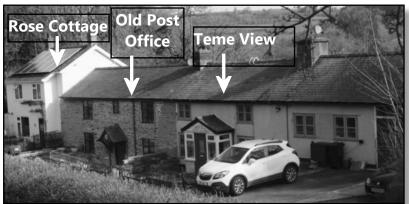


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#### Dutlas in the 1930s



The remaining dwellings in Idris's Reminiscence

This continues Idris Lloyd's memories. In May 2021 he described Dutlas dwellings; this follows on.

The Carpenter Mr. J Davies and his sister's house, now Teme View, had adjoining workshops and stores with an open sided building where wagons and carts were made, with a saw pit alongside. The last wagon made here was for Mr. Price of Bryndraenog. I believe it was first used when Mr. Price moved away to Hindwell, Walton.

Next was the Post Office and Post Mistress Mrs Hope. Two postmen delivered the mail on two rounds known as the Shropshire side of the River Teme and the Radnorshire side. Mr Wood of Tynycoed delivered to the Shropshire side and Mr. Eddie Price of Brinedin, otherwise known as The Cobblers, did the Radnorshire side.

Mrs. Hope's husband served in the army in the 1914-18 war as a Sergeant. He was badly shell shocked and died in a Mental Hospital (Talgarth I think.) Mrs. Hope's two daughters and son Eddie lived in the Post Office. Gladys married Jim Price of Knighton in the 30's. May worked at Perkin's Chemist in Knighton and later at Bangor University. Eddie worked at Prince's Ironmonger's shop in Knighton. He volunteered and served in the RAF during the 1939-45 war with a rank of Corporal. After the war he worked in the building trade, as a

part-time postman and a self employed decorator. When Mrs. Hope died. May ran the Post Office until it closed.

Next was Rose Cottage adjoining the Post Office and lived in by Morgan Jones, his daughter Mrs. Amy Lloyd and her two sons Tommy and Idris. Tommy worked at Meredith Thomas, a gents' outfitters in Knighton until he

joined the Royal Marines in Plymouth in 1937. He served on the Aircraft Carrier HMS Hermes and was killed in action off Ceylon in 1942 by the invading Japanese.

The next cottage, which had been the village pub, was occupied by Mr and Mrs Jim Jones. Mr Jones was the village Blacksmith and worked at the blacksmith's shop, now The Glen, shoeing horses and repairing farm equipment.

The village shop was the other half of the old pub /The Harp/. The shopkeepers were Mr. and Mrs. Higgins. They provided a good locals service to the selling bread, confectionery, a complete range of groceries and paraffin. On certain evenings they sold potato chips cooked on Primus stoves. The chips were very popular. During the war Mr. Higgins went to work in the North of England for the war effort. (Continued on page 31)



The Harp Inn closed in 1911 From Pubs of Radnorshire by Tony Hobbs





#### Robin Vincent

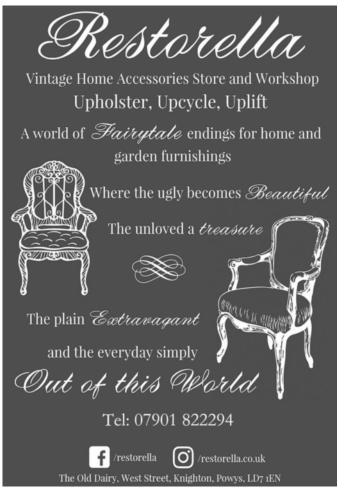
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#### Dutlas in the 1930's

Idris Lloyd's memories continued from page 29.

Another cottage was at the end of the little bridge. Mrs. Gravenor lived there with her two sons and part of a large family. When she died the family moved away and the cottage was demolished.

The village shop and next door was also demolished as part of the council's slum clearance. The Blacksmith's shop was kept going for some time by Mr. Brick and his son Pryce from Felindre and Mrs Hustlebee and her family from Wolverhampton lived in the old shop. They were moved higher up the Teme valley.

Two evacuees lived at Rose Cottage, their names were Len and Bob Buchanan. They arrived at Amy's house from Liverpool late one night by a bus belonging to Tommy Owen. They attended the school at Beguildy.

> Idris Lloyd Photo by Laura W-I



#### Recipe: Chick Peas Italienne for Ascension Day, Thursday 26 May

Ascension Day traditions in some parts of the world include eating organic, healthy, and nutritious food, and avoiding processed foods, white sugar, and white flour. It often means eating vegetarian and simple fruit dishes, although poultry is preferred in some places. This recipe can be served hot or cold.

#### *Ingredients*

- 1 can of chick peas
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 3 tablespoons of olive oil
- ½ tablespoon tomato paste Method:
- 1 can of chopped tomatoes
- 1 teaspoon of brown sugar
- a good pinch of cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon of dried oregano or basil

Drain and rinse the chick peas. Sauté the onion and garlic in the oil until soft and translucent. Stir in the tomato paste and chopped tomato, sugar, spices, and herbs. Bring to the boil and cook until the sauce reduces and thickens. Season to taste and mix with the chick peas. Sprinkle with parsley to serve.

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#### St Edward's Church News

#### **Knighton Show & Carnival**

Plans are now in place for a day of fun for all. Please take a note of the date: August 27. More details later.

#### **Family News**

In our prayers we continue to pray for peace in our world. We too remember all who are suffering with the Covid virus which seems reluctant to go away. We pray for all who are poorly in our community; especially Pauline Parker and Gwen Morgan, both in hospital.

We are pleased that June Ruff is back home following another spell in Hereford Hospital.

Our thoughts are with all mourning the loss of loved ones, especially the friends and family of Tony Sharp. The funeral took place at Hereford Crematorium, followed by a memorial service in St. Edward's on April 12. Both services were conducted by the Rev Petra Goodband.

#### Bingo

Do come along and join in the fun playing bingo on May 7 at 7pm in the church hall, and help raise money for the hall roof fund.

#### **Coffee Morning**

May 21 at 10am to midday in the hall. You will be most welcome to join us for coffee with good company and lots of chat. There will be a chance to browse the stalls – books, cakes, produce, bric-a-brac, and take part in the competition and grand draw. All proceeds to the parish church fund.

The coffee morning raised the sum of £270 for church funds. We are so pleased that so many came along and supported events, a huge thank you to all who provided items to sell and donated draw prizes.

#### **Competition Winners**

The winners at our March get-together were: June Jones, Brenda Steadman, Lin Heakin, David Minton, Dennis Richards and Rebe Brick.

Jean Price

#### Llanfair Waterdine W.I.

As a WI we have members from a wide area and so members are planning with their own communities for events for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee but we are still supporting Llanfair Waterdine Village and the Everest Hall with their plans. There are lots of interesting things happening. On Friday 6 May Anne Cummins will be talking about "The Famous and the Infamous". Because of the Bank Holiday we have altered our next meeting to Wednesday 1st June when our own member Sue Lovell is going to talk about "A Journey with Dementia", a humorous and understanding personal account of a family experience.

Last month Helen Anderson told INSPIRING WOMEN us about the work of the Knighton and Presteigne Food Bank which has been supporting local families for a number of years. She is very committed and gave as a better understanding of their work.

We meet in the Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine at 7pm and love to welcome people. If you would like further information please contact either Margaret Clugston (President) on 01547 529155 or Ann Harroway (Secretary) on 01547 528477. We would be pleased to hear from you.

Ann Harroway

#### Llangunllo W.I. Celebrate Their Centenary in Style





Sunday 10 April 2022 was a special date for Llangunllo W.I. as members came together to celebrate with the W.I. Federation County Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer and representatives from all the groups of the village. We gathered outside the village hall to plant a tree and bury a time capsule to be opened in 2050 by future W.I. members.

Dawn Gill our Vice President, who stood in for Karen Edgar our President who was unfortunately not able to join us as she was ill, gave a brief speech about our W.I. over its 100 years, before all present took turns to add soil to plant the flowering cherry tree.

W.I.County Officers enjoying a chat with Kath before we toasted our W.I. and enjoyed canapes, closing the procedings with us all singing 'Jerusalem'.



#### Llangunllo Boundary Walk 2022

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 Each day's walk will be between 6 and 7 miles.

Options to leave the walk at about the half-way mark if you don't want to walk the whole length.

Wonderful views, and discover new aspects of familiar landmarks. Dogs permitted, but on leads please.

All agreed it had been a lovely way to mark our centenary, and we look forward to further events including a 1920s afternoon tea in May. Look out for the photos of Llangunllo W.I. committee ladies in 1920's outfits, followed by a celebration with our community in July.

For information about our W.I. look out for us on Facebook or contact our secretary Isabel Morris on 01547550689

Anne Newton

Either I will find a way, or I will make one.

- Philip Sidney

Members taking part in the planting.



Kath Poole. longest serving member, made a start with Donna Morgan, one of our newest members, adding time capsule.



# Llangunllo W.I. Centenary



Dawn Gill with time capsule.



Ryan and Chris lending a hand

#### Whitton Altar Cloth





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#### Whitton Altar Cloth

This beautiful altar cloth was made by the women of St David's Whitton in 1999. On the inside, they have embroidered their names and details.

It is used only during Lent with its simple but powerful message. Amazingly it has perspective; the stones are in three dimensions. The cross is early muted (not a blurred photo).

During Lent we don't decorate our churches with flowers but nature does a fine job outside.

Article and photos by Laura W-J



These names were stitched onto the back of the altar cloth

# Radnorshire Wildlife Trust (RWT)

#### Toads on the move:

Toad patrols at Landrindod Wales Lake have recently begun! Chloe Jackson, Project Officer for Radnorshire Wildlife Trust (RWT),reports that few toads were spotted (likely to be still hibernating) but a number of palmate and smooth newts were found as well as one great crested newt! The newts were safely moved out of the road and relocated to the lake.

#### **River Action:**

RWT also report that River Action's successful crowdfunding campaign raised £34,000 for citizen science groups across the Wye Valley. River Action is a campaign group endeavouring to raise the awareness on river pollution as well as seek solutions with industrial and agricultural producers.

**Walks in May** 

**Tues May 3**. SHORT WALK. <u>Weobley,</u> ramblers <u>Dilwyn, The Haven.</u> 5.25 miles moderate. Start at Weobley.

**Wed May 4.** <u>Bucknell Woods, Stow Hill</u> 8.6 miles moderate. Start SO 345740 Lane at bottom of Bucknell Wood.

Wed May 11. Hope Bowdler Hills. 8.7 miles moderate. Start Church Stretton town carpark. Sat May 14. Bryngwyn and Red Hills 8.5 miles, moderate. Exp.188. SO188503. Roadside between Bryngwyn Hill and Newchurch Hill Wed May 18. Kerry Ridgeway circular. 7.4 miles moderate. SO223880 Exp. 216. Lower Shortditch Turbary Nature Reserve

**Thurs May 19** SHORT WALK <u>Clee Panorama</u> 4.8 miles. Moderate. Start at Exp 203 SO 595754 Clee Hill village car park.

**Wed May 25**. <u>Knucklas Circular.</u> 8.5 miles moderate. Offas Dyke Centre, LD7 1EN

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#### Saint Padarn

More on Saint Padarn as he can also be celebrated on 15 May.

Saint Padarn was born about 480AD. The c.1200 'Life of Saint Padarn' written in



Llanbadarn Fawr

Norman French and based on a British/Welsh version tells his story. He and other saints from Brittany formed a base at Llanbadarn Fawr (today's Aberystwyth). They conducted a mission in north Ceredigion and up the west coast of Wales to above

Tywyn in Merioneth and inland, founding churches and monasteries in Ceredigion and Maelienydd.

Padarn is described as saintly, devout and holy, '...a light in doctrine and practice throughout Brittania'. Through him miracles occurred, healings were given, and peace was established. Secular rulers, such as Maelgwn

Gwynedd and Arthur, were brought to book by Padarn's superior spiritual power, partly contained in his holy staff, named Cyrwen, (holy staff with a crooked head), reminiscent of a Shepard's crook or a bishop's crozier, probably made of wood. This staff was not just the symbol of his ecclesiastical authority, it was also full of spiritual power and force. Padarn used it to enforce peace, deliver judgment, guarantee oaths and establish religion. A 10th century high cross at Llanbadarn Fawr shows St. Padarn holding Cyrwen.

The *Book of Llandaf*' tells us that Padarn was buried on the holy island of Enlli, or Bardsey Island.

Three churches are dedicated to him in Ceredigion and three in Radnorshire, all by rivers: Llanbadarn Fynydd and Llanbadarn Fawr ym Maelienydd [Crossgates] on the River Ithon, and Llanbadarn y Garreg on the River Edw. Both Llanbadarn Fawr and Llanbadarn y Garreg have ancient yew trees; one at Llanbadarn y Garreg may be 1,000 years old.

Jack Arnell

#### Woodlanders

Task Days continue to be well attended. Weather has only thwarted our activities on one day over the autumn and winter! Work has continued on thinning birch and coppicing hazel as well as preparing wood for charcoal making.

Volunteer Biodiversity Survey: Training is going ahead with the moth, botany and bird survey training courses all full over the next few months.

Following a successful bid, funds from Natural Resources Wales will develop the

interested of volunteers in the identification and recording of different plants, birds and moths. Survey results will be reported to the National Biodiversity Network. We hope to maintain a pool of volunteers who are either formally or informally trained to carry out surveys, from which we can draw Volunteer Leaders.

**First Aid:** An excellent first aid course was well attended in February by Woodlanders and delivered by Wayne Gladwin of GLC First Aid. *Gary Cowell and Woodlanders Team* 

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# **Evenjobb Events**

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We try to include village activities in conjunction with the Café. The following events are planned in the near future:

**Saturday 28 May.** A Plant sale from 11:00am on, which will benefit the church also. Tables are available.

**Saturday 4 June** from 5pm on, we are celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a barbecue, and live music at 8:00pm. Bring your own meat to be barbecued, salads are supplied and a bar is available. Tony and Turquoise, our popular resident performers will provide music to dance to.

More events are planned for June and July.... Look out for our Open Gardens and a Table Sale. For information on events: lindaellams44@gmail.com

Linda

# **Walton Hall** will be running the **Kington Community Shop**

1st to 7th June.

Donations of clean clothes, household items, books, plants etc that we can sell will be gratefully received.

Catherine Thoroughgood thorogood0156@yahoo.co.uk

# Churches Together Lunch Club

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

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

#### Walton Hall

Book and jigsaw swap and sale
Wednesday 11 May
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- Jesus Christ

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# **Maundy Thursday**



n Maundy Thursday we remembered Jesus sharing the Passover Supper before his arrest and crucifixion. Knighton worshipped with Llanfair Waterdine where the Llanfair Singers started fittingly with "Lamentations" by Sir Edward Bairstowe, who was the organist at York Minster from 1913-46.

We remembered that Jesus washed his disciples' feet before the meal, and this became the theme for Petra's sermon. Jesus was a humble servant who served with love. The Llanfair Singers sang "Wash me Throughly" by Samuel Sebastian Wesley. It is sung every year at Windsor when Maundy money is given to the poor.

## **Evancoyd News**

#### **Charity Shop**

At the end of March we were in the Charity Shop in Kington and, thanks to everyone who helped, donated and purchased items, we made just over £1000 towards Church funds. It was great to meet up with all our friends in Kington again after the Covid restrictions of the past couple of years.

Special thanks are extended to Olwen Morris who organised the rota and Alison Rogers for the beautiful Easter Hamper raffle prize.



#### **Church Spire Update**

We are hoping that work can commence on repairing the Church spire which has thankfully not sustained any further damage in the gale force winds over recent weeks.

#### **Plant Sale**

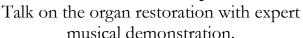
At the end of this month on 28 May we will be having a plant sale and raffle at Evenjobb Village Hall in aid of church funds.

#### **Demonstration of our Church Organ**

On the 21 May at 4pm we will be having a demonstration of our restored Church Organ by David Gallichan he will show us how it was cleaned, tuned and repaired and will give us a demonstration of its beautiful range and sound. Admission is free and everyone welcome, come and bring a picnic.

Joanna Winstone

# Evancoyd Organ Saturday May 21 at 4 pm St Peters Evancoyd



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!

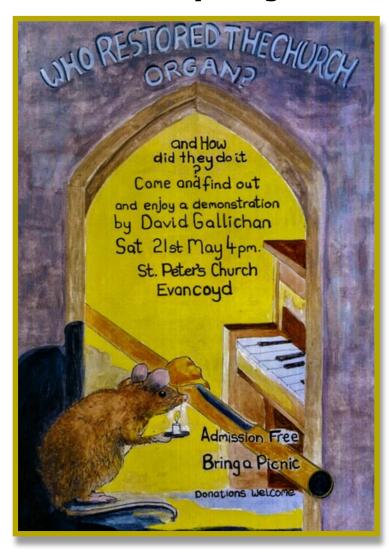
We hope you can come and see how organs work, how the restoration was done and enjoy listening to its beautiful sound.

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

Heather Evans



# **Evancoyd Organ**





Easter at Evancoyd





Knighton Silver Band

Gareth Davidson



Rob Fountain carrying the Cross

# Good Friday Walk of Witness



Tea and hot cross buns afterwards



# **Good Friday Walk of Witness**

n Good Friday Christians from around the area arrived at Brookside Square (the war memorial). Reverend Gareth Davidson led our simple service and the Knighton Silver Band lifted our singing of these Good Friday hymns:

There is a green hill far away
My song is love unknown
When I survey the wondrous cross
The old rugged cross

raffle walks music

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#### **Calling all budding authors**

Monthly creative writing group takes place at The Knighton Comm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month 11-1pm.

Next session will be 10 May.

Organised by Churches Together we read the crucifixion story and said prayers for our world. Rob Fountain carried the cross as Jesus did, to our Calvary, with John Goodband providing sober drumming. We processed sup the hill by the clock tower, where we continued our service. We finished at the Methodist Church with tea, coffee, hot cross buns, and a good chat with old friends.

Article and photos by Laura W-J

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# Knucklas Notes for May, 2022

We have, as I write, had a somewhat disappointing start to spring but, at least, plenty of rainfall. It is good to have the prospect of a lovely May to enhance all the nascent growth waiting to happen on the farms, gardens and allotments.

May promises to be an exciting month for other reasons too. On the 5th. we have the County Council and local Community Council elections, with voting taking place again at our Community Centre. Ever since I can remember, we have relied on volunteers to serve on the Beguildy with Knucklas Community Council, with Knucklas being rather under-represented. At present, we have only Ann Jones, of Glyndwr, to speak up on behalf of Knucklas and Heyope. There is room for five representatives!

On the County Council, however, it is a different story with a choice of only two seats to represent the interests of the Knighton with

Beguildy constituency. I cannot remember the time when we had a candidate actually from Knucklas, but this time we have Corinna Kenyon Wade, from Cuckoo's Nest, standing under the Lib-Dem auspices. There is, around here, a strong tradition of voting for Independent candidates, and of the five standing this time only two are sponsored by political parties. Angelique Williams of White Anthony, has been serving for some years as an Independent councillor. It should be an exciting contest.

Lots of events are planned locally by the Castle Hill Community Land Project and others and it is well worth keeping one's eye on posters as well as notices in this magazine.

Sorry to note the passing of Tony Sharp, of Glyndwr. With every sympathy to his family and friends.

Robert Forbath

# **Thursday Drop-in Eatery**

Acake 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.

The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members.

- Coretta Scott King



Mrs Logan went for her atmoiser and Mrs Pugh went for hers...

# NATIONAL GARCEN SCHEME

#### **National Garden Scheme**

Local gardens open in May:

**Sun 8 & 15 May** 2.30-6pm <u>Pontsioni House</u>, Aberedw LD2 3SQ Small walled vegetable and

fruit garden. Walks through wildflower meadow along a mile of old railway line with bluebell woods to Aberedw Rocks.

**Sat 21 & Sun 22 May** 2-5pm Rock Mill, Abermule, Montgomery, SY15 5BH 3 acre garden in a wooded valley. Beehives, thatched roundhouse, remnants of industrial past (corn mill and railway line). **Sun 29 May** 2-5pm <u>Glanwye</u>, Builth Wells LD2 3YP Large Victorian garden, lawns, long woodland walk with bluebells and other woodland flowers.

**Sun 29 May** <u>Llwyn Madoc</u>, Beulah, Llanwrtyd Wells LD5 4TT Terraced garden in attractive wooded valley overlooking lake; yew hedges; rose garden with pergola; kitchen garden and small orchard; azaleas and rhododendrons. **Or visit a garden** open by arrangement:

Church House, Llandefalle; Tyn y Cwm, Beulah; The Hymns, Presteigne. See www.ngs.org.uk *Gail Jones* 

# **Teme Valley Gardening Club**

Are you interested in gardening? If so please come along to see what we are all about; we desperately need some more members for the club to survive. Our meetings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of the month 7.30pm at Knucklas Community Centre.

The next meeting is on 16th May which will be our AGM where we will hopefully elect a new chairman and more committee members; a free evening – and ideal opportunity to find out all about us with no commitment. Please contact Margaret Clugston on 01547529155 for more information.

M. Clugston

#### **NEW RADNOR PLANT SALES**

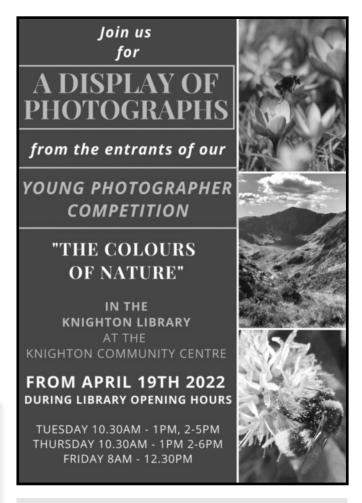
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Saturday May 21 (Gardening Club)
Saturday June 18 (St Mary's Church)
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**Psalm 16.7** 

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# Easter Eve - A Ceremony of Light



on Holy Saturday we met at St Edward's for a ceremony of light. The Llanfair Singers joined us outside where Petra lit the Paschal Candle (the Easter Candle) for the liturgical year. First she ceremonially pressed five incense tacks onto the candle (symbol of the 5 wounds of Christ).

As we processed into church we lit our individual candles from the Paschal candle.

The church was magical in that dim light with choir and congregation holding candles while we sang our first hymn. Petra spoke about Easter Saturday being a time of preparation for Jesus. Lying in the tomb he was waiting for the big transformation to change the world.

The choir treated us to a Bach chorale from the St Matthew Passion. The organist was Sean O'Farrell and the choir was directed by Graham Trew.

# East Radnorshire Care Day Centre and Home Support

Colin Pugh received this thank you for members across our Ministry Area who attended the St David's Day Celebration at Whitton.

Thank you for the wonderful donation of £212.20 made to East Radnorshire Care from the St David's Day service.

As I am sure your members know, donations like yours are invaluable and go a long way in helping us continue to provide services in the area. The Day Centre is still closed due to Covid restrictions, but we are running other services such as Home Support that covers the area, a weekly Coffee morning and Lunch Club, and bathing in our assisted bath.

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Thursday **Flower arranging classes** at Whitton

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#### Mother's Union

Evancoyd & New Radnor
Mother's Union had a laughter
filled afternoon on the 1st Tuesday of April,
learning the skill of needle felting. Everyone
who participated made an Easter chick
sitting on a nest.

Thank you Christine for the yummy lemon drizzle cake.

# **Easter Eve**



Llanfair Singers



Paschal (Easter) Candle Incense Tacks



Mother's Union



Mothers' Union Felting

# **New Radnor**



Easter Flowers - St Mary's New Radnor



Easter at St Cynllo's



Dorothy lighting Easter Candle in dark church



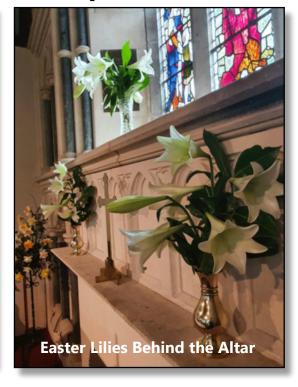
Marc, Becky, son, niece & nephew



Children's Treats

Easter at St David's, Whitton





#### **Easter**

# St Cynllo's, Llangunllo

The church bells rang out at St Cynllo's, Llangunllo to celebrate Easter, and this year we had a laity led service which took an informal approach and was based around "New Beginnings."

We also welcomed members of Gravel Baptist Chapel and Bleddfa Church to the service and the traditional elements of the Easter message were combined with poetry, a time of reflection and music.

At the heart of the service was the Gospel reading from St John of the empty tomb and Jesus appearing to Mary Magdalene.

We concluded by singing together the hymn Lord of all hopefulness' and to remember that nothing is going to happen today that we cannot handle together.

After the service we enjoyed refreshments and social time together The children especially liked the Easter treats provided!

Photos and article by Church Wardens

### St Peter's, Evancoyd

Sadly Rev. Rachael was unable to conduct our Easter Sunday Celebration this year due to Covid and our thoughts and prayers are with her and her family for a speedy recovery. Rev Mark Beaton from Builth kindly came to the rescue and took the service for us. The weather was sunny and warm, the Church was filled with flowers and Mark gave the sermon from the beautifully decorated pulpit which very much pleased Olwen. At the end of the service Heather Evans played Bach's Toccata for us which sounded magnificent.

Photos (p 47) and article by Joanna Winstone

#### **Knucklas, Baptist Chapel**

Gareth Davidson's theme for the joint Easter service for St David's Heyope and the Baptist Chapel was "Now it Begins". It's taken from an old film 'Jesus of Nazareth' and is spoken by the high priest, Caiphas, who wisely understood that the Resurrection marked the beginning of a whole new belief.

People didn't understand the empty tomb, but Jesus's many appearances to disciples convinced each one in a special way of the powerful truth.

\*\*Laura W-J\*\*

## St David's, Whitton

Our Easter Sunday service of Holy Eucharist was conducted by Reverend Petra and the organist on this special day was George Baker. It was a beautiful sunny spring morning and there was a good attendance from members of other churches in the area as well as visitors. The Church had been beautifully decorated with a wonderful array of flowers which mirrored the natural display outside in the Churchyard, with the addition of the Easter Lilies. It was such a fine morning that the Church door remained open for the service allowing the sounds of spring – the birds and the lambs to be enjoyed.

After listening to Petra's enthusiastic sermon, it was wonderful to be able to receive full Communion at the altar rail once again, after an absence of over two years. Various Easter goodies had been hidden around the Church for children to find but on this occasion, none were present, but as one of the congregation said, "We are all God's children!"

During the service we remembered one of our oldest Church members, Olwen Price, whose memorial service was to be held two days later. The beauty of the Church will be testament to the many hours she spent decorating and cleaning the Church brass.

Photos and article by Colin Pugh

## World Turtle Day® 23 May

The turtle is thought to be one of the most ancient of creatures and the word 'turtle' is mentioned in the Bible, which should not surprise us because today there are thousands of sea turtles in the waters around the Middle East. The turtle is mentioned in the Old Testament book of Leviticus 15:29 as an offering that a woman could make to be cleansed after giving birth, provided she could not afford a lamb:

"And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean".

Later translations of the Bible changed this to 'two turtle doves', a bird named after the 'tu tu'

sound that it makes, although another theory is that the name came from a distinctive black band on the bird's neck that makes it look like its head can be retracted into its body, just as a turtle does.

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Bob Peters in ACE (Association of Christian Editors)

### **Furniture Barn in Knighton**

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...if you have been affected by any of the issues raised in this sermon

#### **Litter Picks in Knighton**

May 29 meet Knighton Community Centre
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hour. Refreshments afterwards. Organised by
Teme Valley Environment Group (TVEG)
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Knighton Library also has litter picking
equipment to borrow.

# **Hear to Help "Drop Off" Clinic**

Knighton Hearing Aid Clinic, The Comm 3rd Tuesday of the month

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[Presteigne Clinic has not re-opened yet.]
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# COMMUNITY EVENTS May 2022

| 30 April<br>- 2 May | Llangunllo Boundary Walk. 10.30 at Greyhound.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Tue 3               | Stowe & Stanage, W.I., Reynolds<br>Room, 2.30pm.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 4               | Morning Prayer, Heyope, 10am. Organ Recital, Brecon Cathedral 7.30 New Radnor W.I. to Bracken Trust Tre-y-clawdd W.I. to Hergest garden |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 6               | Llanfair W.I. Everest Hall, 7pm   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sat 7               | Bingo. St Edward's Hall, 7pm.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sun 8               | Knighton Concert, St Ed's Hall, 3pm   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 9               | Arrow Freemasons Lodge, Kington<br>Masonic Hall, 6pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tue 10              | Whitton Coffee Morning, 1030-12<br>Writing, Knighton Comm 11-1pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 11              | Morning Prayer, Bleddfa, 10am Jigsaw swap and book sale, Walton Hall 10-1 Floral Arts, Presteigne Memorial Hall, 7.30pm                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thur 12             | Chatterbrook W.I. Presteigne<br>Memorial Hall 7.30  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 13              | Chester Male Voice Choir, Brecon<br>Cathedral, Free, 1pm<br>Pilgrimage of Song, Gladestry 5pm<br>'Italian Job' Llangunllo Hall, 7.30pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sat 14              | Pilgrimage of Song, Heyope Church, noon. Llanfair Waterdine 5.15pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon 16              | Teme Valley Gardening Club,<br>Knucklas Comm. 7.30pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tue 17              | Hearing Aid Clinic, Knighton, 10-1<br>Teme Freemasons Lodge., Whitton<br>Community Hall, 6pm  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 18              | Morning Prayer, Beguildy, 10am.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 20              | Free Organ Concert, Brecon<br>Cathedral 1pm<br>Builth Male Voice Choir, Presteigne<br>Church 7.30                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Knighton Coffee Morning, Church<br>Hall 10am. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| New Radnor Plant Sale, Old Town               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hall, 9.30                                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Garden Party, Melin y Grogue,                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Llanfair Waterdine, 2-4pm                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Morning Prayer, Llangunllo 10am               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Felindre W.I to Bracken Trust, 2pm.           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mezzo soprano & Piano Concert,                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brecon Cathedral, Free, 1pm                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evenjobb Vill Hall. Plant sale 11am           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evancoyd Organ Talk, Church, 4pm              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Litter Pick, 10am at Knighton Comm            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Llanfair W.I. Everest Hall, 7pm               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Walton Hall at Kington Charity                |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shop  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Queen's Jubilee Celebrations                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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# Grid References and Church Postcodes

| Beguildy   | SO 194797 | LD7 1YE |
|------------|-----------|---------|
| 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 |
| Gladestry  | SO 230551 | HR5 3NR |
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#### **Funerals**

- 9 April Lisa Deakins internment of ashes
- 11 April Ruth Hamer St Peter's, Evencoyd
- 12 April John Anthony Sharp (Tony) Hereford Crem and St Edward's 79
- 13 April Elizabeth (Liz) Taylor St Mary's New Radnor 103
- 30 April Professor Richard Shannon Interment of ashes St Michael's Cascob



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 - May**

- 1 Norton Street, 11am, Communion Knucklas Chapel, 6pm
- Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship
   Coxall Chapel Closing Service,
   2.30pm. All Welcome
- 15 Knighton Methodist Church St, 11am joint serviceKnucklas Chapel, 6pm
- 22 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship Knucklas Comm, Messy Church 4pm
- 29 Norton St, 11am, Morning Worship Knucklas Chapel, 6pm

June 5 Norton Street, 11am, Communion

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

Service every Sunday at 11am.

#### **Methodist Sunday Worship - May**

Victoria Rd, Knighton every Sunday at 11am.

- 1 Rev Dr Neil Richardson Communion
- 8 Rev Roger Hides
- 15 We join the Baptists at Norton Street
- 22 Mr Dalton
- 29 Local Arrangement

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#### **Special Days in May**

- May pole dancing, Morris dancing, and crowning the May Queen
- I 8 Time for Cuppa in aid of Dementia UK
- 2 International Dawn Chorus Day
- **2-6** Dying Matters Week
- **3-8** Deaf Awareness Week
  - **4** Firefighters Memorial Day
- 4-11 International Red Cross Week
  - 5 International Day of the Midwife
  - **8** World Fair Trade Day
- **10-22** Foster Care Fortnight
  - **16** National Children's Day
- **17-22** Dementia Awareness Week
- **17-22** Water Saving Week
- World Turtle Day (see page 50)

#### Colva AVM

St David's Colva will hold its Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM) following the 2.30 pm Service on 1st May. We welcome all parishioners to attend.

# Easter Scenes





Easter Garden at Knucklas



Knitted Chicks Hiding Children's Easter Eggs -Llanfair Waterdine



Floral Cross - Knighton Methodist Church



Easter Lilies - Methodist Church



Ukraine - Methodist Church

| New Radnor                            |  |                             |                                  | East Radnor                     |                            |                 |                  | Beacon Hill    |                |                   |                                |                           |                                 |                               |                |                     |                          |                           |                                       |
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| New Radnor<br>St Mary                 | <b>Llan'l Nant Melan</b><br>St Michael       | <b>Gladestry</b><br>St Mary | <b>Evancoyd</b><br>St Peter      | <b>Colva</b><br>St David        | <b>Whitton</b><br>St David | Pilleth St Mary | Norton St Andrew | St Edward      | Knighton       | Cascob St Michael | <b>Llangunllo</b><br>St Cynllo | <b>Heyope</b><br>St David | Bleddfa M Magdalene             | <b>Beguildy</b><br>St Michael |                | Keadings            |                          |                           | May 2022                              |
| No Service                            | 10am Morn Prayer<br>AVM & PCC                | No Service                  | 11am<br>Morning Prayer           | 2.30pm Even Prayer<br>AVM & PCC | No Service                 | No Service      | No Service       | Holy Communion | 9.30am         | 3pm H Communion   | No Service                     | 11am<br>Holy Communion    | 7.30pm Compline                 | No Service                    | John 21. 1-19  | Acts 9. 1-6, [7-20] | Psalm 30                 | Zephaniah 3. 14-20        | 1 May Easter 3<br>W <i>hite</i>       |
| 10am Morning Prayer<br>N.R. Comm Hall | No Service                                   | No Service                  | 10am Holy Communion<br>AVM & PCC | No Service                      | 9.30am<br>Holy Communion   | No Service      | No Service       | Holy Communion | 11am           | No Service        | No Service                     | No Service                | No Service                      | No Service                    | John 10. 22-30 | Acts 9. 36-43       | 6-18; 9. 8-13   Psalm 23 | Genesis 7. 1-5, 11-18; 8. | 8 May Easter 4<br>White               |
| No Service                            | No Service                                   | 9.30am<br>Holy Communion    | 11am<br>Morning Prayer           | No Service                      | 9.30am<br>Morning Worship  | No Service      | No Service       | Holy Communion | 11am           | No Service        | 5.30pm<br>Worship              | 6.30pm<br>Evensong        | No Service                      | No Service                    | John 13. 31-35 | Acts 11. 1-18       | Psalm 148                | Genesis 22. 1-18          | 15 May Easter 5<br>White              |
| 10am Holy<br>Communion                | No Service                                   | 4pm<br>Evening Prayer       | No Service                       | No Service                      | No Service                 | 3pm Service     | No Service       | Family Service | 11am           | No Service        | No Service                     | No Service                | No Service                      | No Service                    | John 5. 1-9    | Acts 16. 9-15       | Psalm 67                 | Ezekiel 37. 1-14          | 22 May Easter 6<br>White              |
| 10am N.R.<br>Rectory Garden           |  |                             |                                  |                                 |                            |                 |                  | Service        | 7pm Evening    |                   |                                |                           |                                 |                               | Luke 24.44-53  | Acts 1.1-11         | Psalm 47                 | Daniel 7.9-14             | THUR 27 May<br>Ascension <i>White</i> |
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