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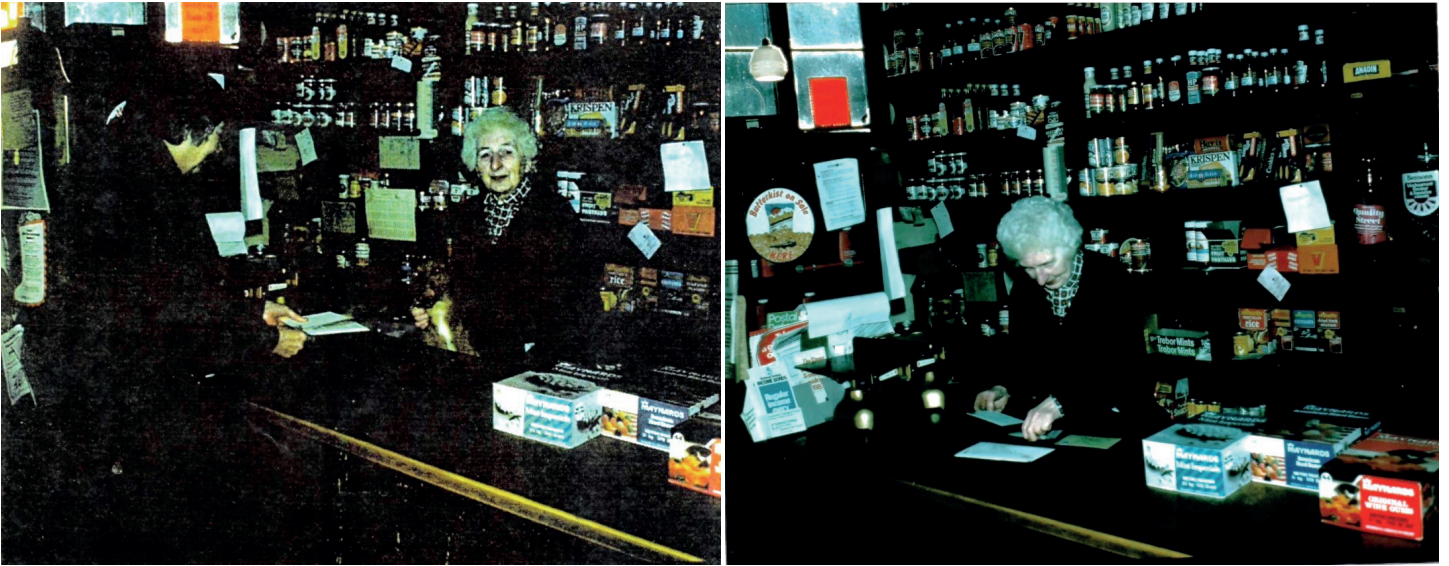
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Memories of Evenjobb Post Office and Shop



Mrs Bennett serving in Evenjobb Stores during the 1980s

Presentation of a stole from the East Radnor Ministry Area to Rev'd Petra Goodband



TOP LEFT:
Rev'd Petra Goodband with Mrs Rene Morris

BOTTOM LEFT:
Rev'd Petra with Ven. Alan Jevons and Rev'd Rachael Storer

TOP RIGHT:
The stole designed and executed by Mrs Rene Morris

BOTTOM RIGHT:
Mr and Mrs Goodband



Memories of Evenjobb Post Office and Shop

Before I can remember, the Post Office was situated in the last house in Evenjobb on the main road facing Walton, which is still known as The Old Post Office. The Postmistress then was Mrs Davies, who retired. Then Mrs Casewell took over as Postmistress at Forge Cottage and I remember collecting the daily paper and buying National Savings Certificates from there in the early 1950s. We children from Beggars Bush, Hoddell and Evancoyd would always take the short cut down the footpath, across the stile, through Arbour Field, down to Evancoyd School.

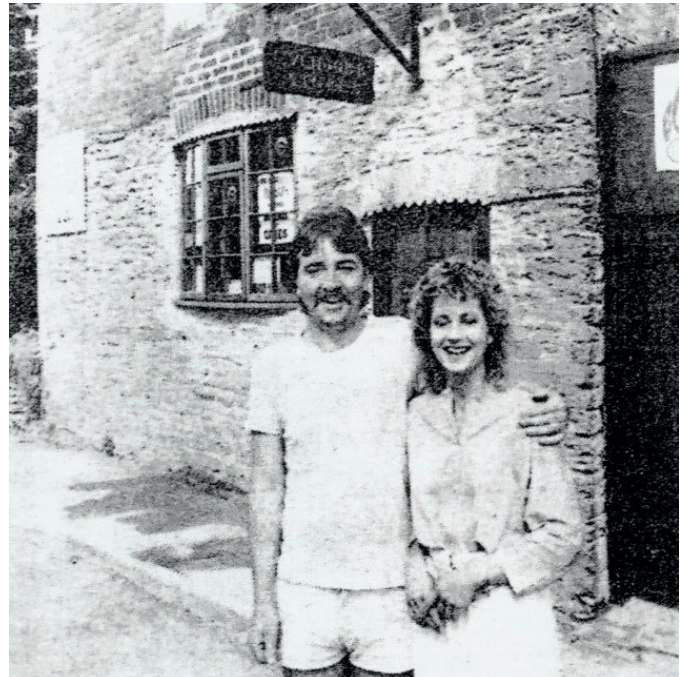
Later on, when Mrs Casewell retired, the Post Office moved down to the Village Shop, local mail would be left at the Post Office and delivered on foot or bicycle by Mr Phillips, I think Mr Griffiths and later Mrs Dot Williams, after which we had a Mail Van delivery. Mrs Bridgewater ran the shop until her death in 1951. Her husband was the local carpenter.

Later, the property was purchased by Mr and Mrs Bennett who, I think, moved from Birmingham during the Second World War to Bank Lane Cottage, having searched countrywide for a Village Shop and were pleased when the one in Evenjobb became available. Mrs Bennett was a very good businesswoman, her mental arithmetic was amazing, she had the price of everything at her fingertips and added up people's purchases in seconds! She was quite strict with regard to opening and closing times. Most groceries were available, and bread would be delivered from Rhodes Bakers from New Radnor. I remember that paraffin was dispensed from a large oil tank which was in the area between the shop and cottage, up a couple of steps. Sadly, not so long after taking over the shop, her husband died in 1958, however Mrs Bennett kept the shop and post office going until she had a stroke and died in 1985 aged 87, which was a remarkable feat. The shop was put up for sale, but Mrs Bennett's daughter kept the cottage part of the premises.

During this time Maurice Jones and Olwen Morris temporarily kept the post office and shop open to avoid its closure. It really was a great benefit to the Village and surrounding area. Fortunately, Mrs Christine Bufton applied to become Post Mistress and was appointed. Christine and her husband Elwyn renovated the property and, while the repairs were taking place, Christine temporarily kept the Post Office from the hallway in her bungalow. There was great excitement when the newly refurbished Post Office reopened and a large newspaper spread in June 1986 heralded the event. However eventually, after strong competition from the supermarkets, the shop closed. The Post Office made a decision to close smaller offices and the post office closed in 2008. The property is now a private residence.

Nigel Waters

*Pictured Right: Elwyn and Christine Bufton
outside their village stores at Evenjobb*



The Flower Arranger's Garden

We have recently enjoyed bright blue skies with warm sunshine and everyone pleased to appreciate what a difference this brings to the tasks of the day. Nothing is more exciting for the flower arranger and gardener than the beginning of spring; all the bulbs emerging, the joy they bring when they begin to flower. The birds are all singing and busy collecting material for their nests, especially the blackbird. The garden is really coming back to life. We look forward to the longer daylight hours and warmer days to enable us to get some real work done in the garden. However, we must take time to enjoy what delights we have in the garden in April, with bright colours, different shapes and heights, daffodils, hyacinths, miniature tulips, pansies, polyanthus, bluebells, primroses and so many more. The countryside provides its share of interesting and colourful plants too: violets, celandines, cowslips, bluebells, wild primroses, hazel catkins and pussy willow. Each season brings its own wonderful plant material for us to enjoy, but spring is the one that provides such hope and promises of lots more to come.

Jean Price

A Letter from the Vicar's Study

Dear Friends

Easter is fast approaching; the commercial bandwagon has been trundling forwards to it since just after Christmas in the supermarkets, with pyramids of Easter eggs of all shapes and sizes on sale, tempting us every time we go shopping. We started our journey towards Easter in church on Ash Wednesday on the 5th March and then journeying together through Lent and then into Holy Week, the pain and heartbreak of Good Friday and finally on the 20th of April we will embrace the joy, of Easter.

May we all find peace in the reflection and tradition of Easter, may we also see the power in the great sacrifice that Jesus made for us by laying down his life on that cross on a hill just outside of Jerusalem, so that we might walk with God each day, drawing on his love, wisdom and strength in all we say and do!

Easter blessings to you all, *Rev Rach*



About the Cover - The Angel Declares Resurrection

"He is not here. He is risen" declares the triumphant angel with upraised arm. Those words are on the banner, bottom right. This is the sunrise scene on the first Easter, as told by St Mark, when Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome arrive with spices to anoint Jesus' body (Mark 16.1). The woman in the right-hand panel carries their large jar of spices. Finding the dazzling white angel in front of an empty tomb frightened the women who promptly ran away. The hills behind might be Radnorshire's "purple headed mountains" with a golden hint of a rising sun. Angels floating on clouds above clasp their hands and watch the momentous event.

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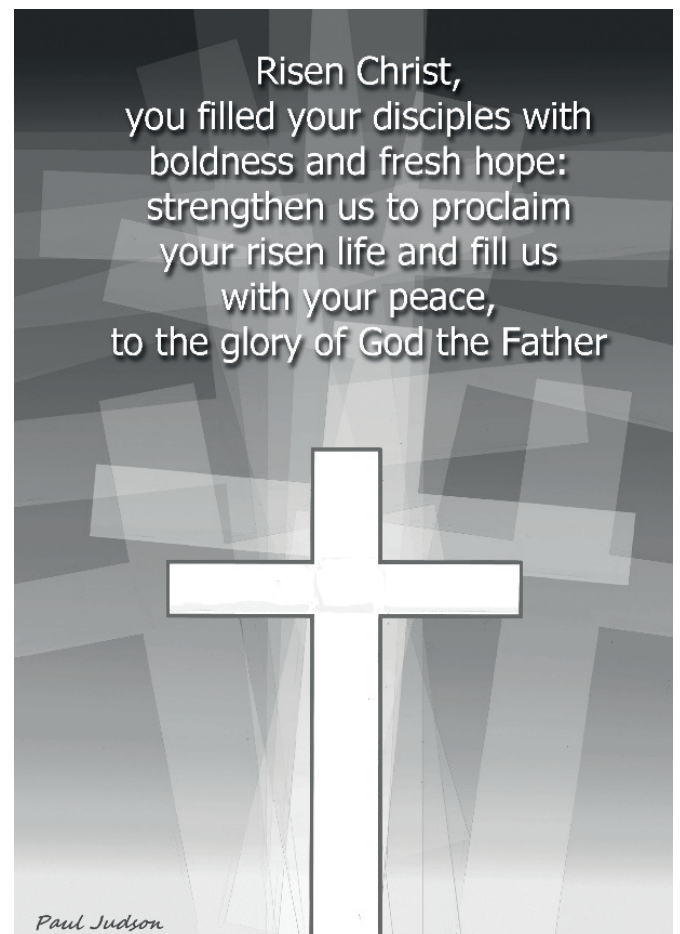
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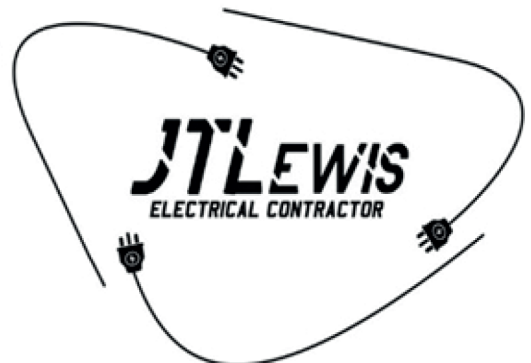
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8	Coffee Morning	Whitton Comm Hall	11
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11 Film: <i>Firebrand</i>	Knighton Comm	24
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14 Talk: <i>Delightful Dablias</i>	Knucklas Comm	24
15 Walton Village Hall AGM		25
15 Talk: <i>Blood Bikes Wales</i>	Gladestry V Hall	15
16	Concert: <i>The Crucifixion</i>	St Mary's, Kington	28
17	Whist Drive	Knighton Comm	35
19 Coffee Morning	Knighton Church Hall	12
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20	Informal Worship	New Radnor Comm	43
25 Film: <i>Small Things Like These</i>	Knighton Comm	24
26	Bingo Night	Knighton Comm	35
30	Spring Plant Fair	Garnons, Byford	11

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3 Llangunllo Annual Walk	The Greyhound	19
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10 Evancoyd Spring Concert	St Peter's Church	28
13	Coffee Morning	Whitton Comm Hall	11
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18	Informal Worship	New Radnor Comm	43
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1st Tues	Old Radnor WI	Walton Village Hall	
1st Tues	Whitton WI	Whitton Comm Hall	
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3rd Tues	Gladestry WI	Village Hall	
3rd Tues	Hear to Help Clinic	The Comm	29
Last Tues	Cerdu Carers Group	The Comm	
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1st Fri	Llanfair Waterdine WI	Everest Hall	20
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Wednesday	Art Classes	The Hub	
Wednesday	Pilates	The Comm	
Wednesday	Youth Club (Termtime)	The Comm	
Wednesday	Zumba	The Comm	
Thursdays	Flowers for Fun	Whitton Comm Hall	25
Thursdays	Knighton Leg Club	Reynolds Room	25
Thursdays	Coffee, Cakes, Chat	The Hub	
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Thursdays	Drop-In Eatery	The Comm	29
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Fridays	Future Family Fitness	The Comm	
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The February coffee morning raised £225.00. Competition winners were D Phillips, J Dyke, J Jones, J Ruff and I Greaves. Thank you to all for your support and the generous gifts and prizes you bring along.

Easter Lilies

Easter is the greatest joyous festival of the Christian Church. A day when we decorate the church with delightful spring flowers, including exquisite Easter lilies. Members of the flower arrangers in St Edward's will enjoy creating arrangements for each window. The lilies are special for the altar. Would you like to contribute to the cost of them in memory of a loved one? Please speak to Jean Price (528260).

We are often asked why the date of Easter changes. I will do my best to explain. Easter is the first Sunday after the first full moon which happens on or next after the spring equinox on March 21st. Therefore it may fall on a date between 21st March and 25th April. This year we will celebrate Easter Sunday on **April 20th** with a service in St Edward's at 11.00am.

From the Registers

7th March - There was a large congregation of family, friends and many young people at the funeral of Kimberley White, who passed away suddenly on 2nd February, aged 24 years. The farewell service was conducted by Rev'd Rachael Storer; the organist was Geoff Weaver. Tributes were read by family members and friends. The hymn chosen was *"He's got the whole world in his hands"*. Psalm 121 and the poem *"Footprints in the Sand"* were included. Following the service Kimberley was laid to rest with her dad in Leominster Cemetery. RIP. Our thoughts are with all mourning the loss of loved ones. Especially the family of Kimberley White.

Church Kneelers

This item can be found on page 43 along with coloured photos.

Jean Price

Stowe & Stanage Women's Institute

Our most recent meeting this month allowed us the opportunity to hold our session as an 'open one' and welcome members from the Tref y Clawdd, Llangunllo and Llanfair Waterdine Women's Institutes (WI). It was a great opportunity to meet other WI members, and hear about their specific WI's.

Our guest speaker was Sylvia Richards, and Sylvia gave us an incredibly interesting and engaging talk on a project she undertook some years ago. She and her husband visited all 62 Churches in Powys, and had catalogued each visit and supplemented the information with photographs. The talk was well received by all, afterwards there was time for tea and biscuits, and a very pleasant time was spent discussing the presentation and future events taking place.

We then set to, and discussed all things WI, and once again there is a lot of interest from all our members in the forthcoming **'WI'nted Fashion Show**, on the **4th April 2025**, PRFW will be bringing their second Fashion Show to The Knighton & District Community Centre 7pm, £8.00 entrance fee, all welcome.

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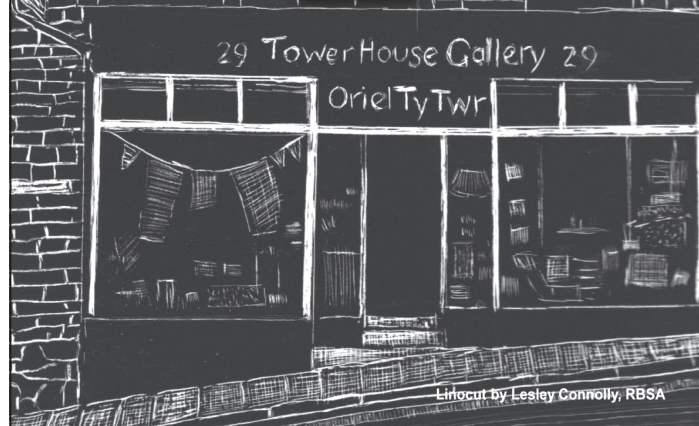
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Celtic Saint of the Month - St Beuno - 21st April

Have you ever found a curlew's nest? No? Well, you can blame St Beuno for that (according to legend of course). A traditional story says Beuno was wading back home from Anglesey when he dropped his sermon book into the sea. A curlew found it and placed it on a rock by the shore, so in return Beuno protects all curlews by keeping their nests well hidden.

To move on to more verifiable facts, Beuno is often considered as the St David of the north because he did so much church planting and missionary endeavours, especially in the north-west of Wales. He was born in the ancient Kingdom of Powys and later moved south for education and ordination at Caerwent. There is a chapel dedicated to him at Llanfeuno under Clodock in the Black Mountains. Later he moved back north to Berriew in mid-Wales, where a local prince gave him land for his first monastery. There is still a standing stone in Dyffryn Lane known as Maen Beuno (Beuno's Stone). It is early Bronze Age, but it is believed Beuno used it as a landmark for preaching to the local



Maen Beuno Standing Stone

people. Beuno lived in Berriew for several years until, one day, he saw a Saxon warrior on the far side of the river and thought it best to move to safety. He travelled westwards until he reached the Llyn Peninsula. On the way he and his followers, planted churches around Gwyddelwern, where he is said to have healed an Irishman, and one of his holy wells is nearby.



*St Winefride and St Beuno,
St Winefride's Chapel, Holywell*

churches along the route at Pistyll and Tudweiliog. Beuno also had a church at Aberffraw on Anglesey (remember the story of the curlew?).

Have you heard of Beuno's Mark (Nôd Bueno)? Inside Clynog church you can still see Beuno's Chest (not that it dates as far back as Beuno). It is where people would put offerings of money. One kind of offering was for the lambs and calves that were born with Beuno's Mark, a congenital slit in the ear. These were believed to belong to Beuno, so farmers would bring them to the church and the church wardens would sell them on behalf of the church.

Moving further north to the coast, Whitford church is dedicated to St Mary and St Beuno. Not far from there is Holywell, (a famous place of pilgrimage) where Beuno settled for a while, along with his niece Winefride (Gwenffrewi) who was travelling with him. There are several wells associated with her and you will find her shrine in Shrewsbury Abbey. Beuno left Winefride there and travelled west to Caernarvon and, after being given a gift of land, he settled at Clynog Fawr where, twenty-five years later he died on the Sunday after Easter in 642 and was buried in a small oratory adjoining the church. For hundreds of years vast numbers of pilgrims came to Clynog to start their pilgrimage to Bardsey Island along the Saints' Way. Beuno and his followers built other



*Clynog Fawr Church
Hugely enlarged over the centuries to accommodate pilgrims*

Rosemary Hanna

Blood Bikes Wales at Gladestry WI

On **Tuesday 15th April**, Ray Rand, from Blood Bikes Wales will be giving us an insight into his invaluable work. The 100% volunteer charity provides completely free courier services to the NHS.

Please join us to learn more about Ray's experiences. The meeting is in the village hall at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be available. Look forward to seeing you.

Marlene



Chinese New Year in Knighton

Knighton Comm hosted a special family event on Sunday 16th February to celebrate the Chinese New Year. At this well-attended event, organised by the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation and sponsored by the Knighton Festival, visitors were able to enjoy a range of activities including Chinese calligraphy, painting and paper lantern making. Children also had the chance to dress up in Chinese costumes while all enjoyed green tea, delicious noodles and spring rolls. Many thanks to Su Bogue from the Tzu Chi branch in Malvern for organising the event, including preparing all the food and bringing her team from all over the country to help. Thanks also to the Comm volunteers who served the food and helped with the activities.

New Radnor Baptist Chapel Closed after 125 years

Due to the financial situation and lack of attendance, New Radnor Baptist Chapel held their closing service on Sunday 9th March.

The service was led by Rev'd Christobel Hargraves at 3pm and Vicar Rachael Storer did readings. There was a good attendance and tea and cakes were served.

Later, photographs were taken of all present.

125 years old.

Mrs May Hardwick

Tref y Clawdd WI

This month we enjoyed Glass Fusing with Crackpots and we're waiting to collect some of the lovely pieces we all managed in an exciting two hours. Tony and Cheryl are patient and helpful teachers so we all made something presentable. It was a small group, but we were joined by some Stowe and Stanage members who also enjoyed the session.

The business part of the evening was very productive as we finalised which members are entering each section of the Powys County show in May. Every member is producing something - so we have a wide variety of skills to show and I'm sure we'll do well, although the taking part is more important, and we always have a good day. The two newest members have new skills for us and it's great that they are also joining in wholeheartedly.

The raffle was won by Mags and the monthly competition was won by Dorothy, Rebe and Pauline G respectively, as we all compete for points in the annual cup which remains a closely guarded secret until announced!

As summer approaches we are out and about at various local venues, so if you would like to join us please phone for details in case we're not actually in St Edward's hall at 7pm the first Wednesday of the month, which is our normal meeting venue.

Dorothy 07974 678 514

Whitton WI



The Presidents Board recognizes that there has been a Women's Institute established in Whitton for 100 years. Throughout the last twelve months, current Members have celebrated that achievement with a variety of activities and events, but it does not stop there... so, CHEERS! to this Centenary and the future.

The programme for the next twelve months nears final confirmation, but it is clearly going to continue to be diverse and entertaining, with meetings in the hall and visits off-site. In addition to interests which are synonymous with the WI, ie cookery, garden visits, crafts and cookery - we shall be including local history, wildlife, geology, yoga, environmental issues and theatre visits.

After our AGM in March, Tanith Fox from the Flower Box in Knighton, gave an informative and entertaining talk, whilst demonstrating the creation of wreaths for all occasions.

At our April meeting, there will be a speaker about Lady Denman and the Women's Local Land Army, followed by a light supper.

Non-members are welcome at all our meetings.

Tel. 01547 560350 if you are interested in knowing more.

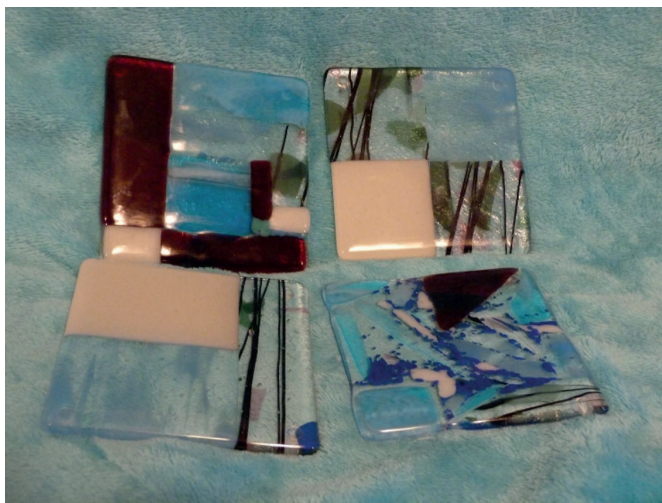
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Whitton WI



Tanith with Wreaths



Beautiful Wreaths

Right: The Presidents Board

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Gladestry WI



Left: Gladestry WI talk by Ann Goodwin on William Wordsworth

Above: Wordsworth's grave in Grasmere churchyard



Bleddfa Craft Group



Gladestry WI

Several members of Gladestry WI shared a most enjoyable February meeting with Ann Goodwin. Ann had kindly come to our rescue when our expected speaker was unable to attend due to family illness.

Ann brought to life the fascinating history of William Wordsworth and his connection to Hindwell Farm (Ann's home) and the surrounding area, which became the holiday retreat for William and his family.

For most of his life he lived in the Lake District but was widely travelled, hence his frequent visits to Radnorshire and surrounding area, Hindwell possibly being the inspiration for his famous poem, "*Daffodils*". William married his childhood friend, Mary Hutchinson, but sadly their life together was marred by tragedy. Born in Cockermouth, he lived in Grasmere and was buried at St. Oswald's Church. Ann was warmly thanked for her fascinating insight into the life of William Wordsworth.

A delicious bring and share supper followed. Vera won the competition "A heart in any medium" and Jess won the draw. Our meeting in March will be the AGM and the beginning of another WI year!

Marlene Evans

Bleddfa Craft Group



The Bleddfa Craft Group started on Friday 14th March and our first workshop was run by Rachael Storer on needle felting. There were ten of us from the village that attended and none of us had done this craft before. Rachel started us off with an easy project to make a small gnome and this helped us get used to the concept of felting the wool with a sharp needle. Rachael gave us good warning to ensure we looked at what we were doing to avoid accidents as the needles are very sharp and it can be easy to stick them in your finger! There was lots of chatting during the session and the friendly and fun atmosphere allowed everyone to ask for help if they needed it or exchange some friendly banter if your gnome wasn't going quite right. At the end of the night, we had ten very different looking gnomes, and I think you will agree they all look great with their own look and personality. Thanks very much to Rachael for making this such a fun and enjoyable class.

The craft group will be meeting next on **Friday 11th April** at the Hall Barn in Bleddfa and we will be decorating cupcakes for Easter. If you would like some more information or would like to join the session, please contact Kim Bacon on 01547 740 236 or by text on 07956 358 380.

This is a new group, and we will be looking to hold future workshops that cover a range of crafts, it's a good chance to meet new people and learn a new skill. Alternatively, if you are someone that has a skill to share and would like to run a workshop we would love to hear from you too.

Annual Llangunllo Walk

Llangunllo's annual walk this year is on Saturday 3rd May.

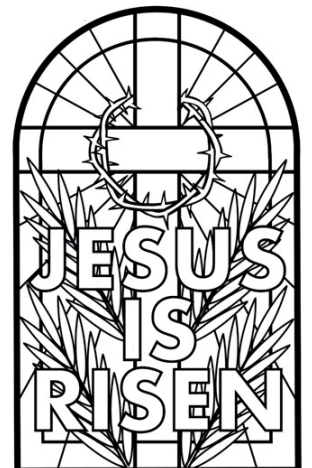
Starting at The Greyhound in Llangunllo at 9.45, we will walk to Knighton along Glyndwrs Way, roughly 7 miles.

Train back from Knighton at 14.48 all being well.

Everyone is welcome, dogs too - though will need to be on leads for much of the route.

No need to book, just turn up with suitable clothing, a drink and a snack / picnic lunch.

Any enquiries - message Jan 07813 085 211



Llangunllo WI AGM To New Book Club

In March we held the AGM, Karen was re-elected President and our other officers were also happy to remain in place for another year. Members reflected on a busy twelve months with a wide range of speakers, “hands on” activities, visits and attending PRFWI events enjoyed - we now look forward to all the 2025 programme will bring.

Voting for the NFWI Resolutions 2025 has taken place and “By Standers Can Be Lifesavers” will go forward to the Annual Meeting in June. As a WI we will be organising a CPR training session for the community to “back up” the village defibrillator. Coffee mornings are also planned to highlight and give information on the other resolutions put forward.

Our entries for the County Show are up and running.

April's meeting will be a visit to Monkland Cheese with lunch and then it will be the turn of Llangunllo members to prepare, cook and serve food at our Spring Community Lunch on **Wednesday 9th**.



Business complete, supper followed and members sharing together a favourite book, and what a variety of readers we have – those who love a murder mystery, to historical novels, to the environment and nature, the story of “*Escape to the Country*” in the 1960s and the mole equivalent of “*Watership Down*”!

The result - a Book Club is to be formed! This will run alongside our other WI groups and activities.

Visitors and new members are always welcome, please see our present programme on the Llangunllo website and for more information contact the secretary – 01547 550 689/ mrarmorris@btconnect.com



Powys National Garden Scheme

At the end of April is the first of our Powys special events. At Vaynor Park, near Welshpool, enjoy an introductory talk, followed by a guided tour accompanied by Kate and her gardener Rupert Redway concluding with tea in the stables. Tickets are £25.

In June the owners of Fron Heulog, Berriew, will give an introductory talk and guided tour of the garden.

A first for us, Fairdene Gallery Garden in Montgomery, the home of Frieda Hughes, daughter of Ted Hughes and Sylvia Plath. In June and July, there's an introductory talk by Frieda Hughes, with a tour of the garden and afternoon tea in the private gallery. All these special events require prebooking at findagarden.ngs.org.uk

For a taster of openings Bronllys Court, nr Brecon is opening for the National Garden Scheme for the first time on Sundays 4th May, 8th June and 6th July. Open between 11am and 4pm find medicinal trees and plants, ceremonial circles and wild areas.

Sunday 18th May Treberfydd House, Llangasty is near Llangorse Lake; Sunday 25th May Llwyn Madoc, Beulah overlooks a lake and Monday 26th May Llanstephan House, nr Llyswen has a 20 acre garden with views of the Wye Valley.

Visitors and new members are always welcome, please see our present programme on the Llangunllo website and for more information contact the secretary – 01547 550 689/ mrarmorris@btconnect.com

Llanfair Waterdine Women's Institute

For our March meeting (7th), we had a wonderful talk by Brenda and David Reid on their time working for the BBC, followed by a very enjoyable “Bring and Share” supper.

For our April meeting we will be having a presentation by Sue Wilson on “*Midwifery and Mosquitoes*”, again followed by a social and supper.

In May, our speaker will be Liz Reeves on “*RABI - Supporting the Farming Community*”.

Our meetings are on the first Friday of the month in the Everest Hall, Llanfairwaterdine. Meeting 7pm. Speaker/ activity 7.30pm. We are always pleased to welcome visitors to enjoy the speaker/activity and share our finger buffet supper. So please come along.

For further information contact Margaret Clugston 01547 529 155 or Christine Chainey 01547 519 254



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Great Uncle Charles

I was delighted to find the article about my Great Uncle Charles in the March edition of *The Radnor*. Sir Charles Edwards (1867 - 1954) was my paternal grandmother Elizabeth Davies' elder brother and the youngest of four sons. I never met him but, as a child, felt as though I knew him, for I often heard the family speak of him affectionately and discuss his achievements as a Member of Parliament (MP) for Bedwellty constituency in Monmouthshire. My father Leonard and his brother Stan spoke fondly of their "Uncle Charlie" who, when they were young lads in the early 1920s, used to visit the family at the Brynny (up the lane from Skyborry Green). They remembered that on his arrival he always said, "It feels good to be back to my roots". During his stay he loved to visit Llangunllo, where he was born at Crungoed Cottage, and was once invited to speak at a celebration at Gravel Chapel where he confessed to stealing plums from a tree near the chapel as a young boy.

In my book *"Upper Teme Valley Memories"* Uncle Stan recalls one of the annual visits to the Brynny:

"We all helped with the work at home, lambing, milking, and haymaking, a job requiring a twenty-gallon barrel of Yeoman's cider at 6d per gallon to be stored in the workshop and rationed out to last through the harvest. Well, that was the intention! Another job was to collect stones to fill the holes in the sunken lane.

As a rule, the teamwork went well, but I remember one exception. Mother's brother, Sir Charles Edwards, who was the MP for Bedwellty in Monmouthshire, and his wife Lady Margaret came for their annual visit. We boys were set the task of cleaning out the trap, making sure there was no chicken feed or lumps of coal left inside. The pony was groomed, Mother polished the horse brass, and Father went to collect our guests from Knighton Railway Station. We boys washed at the well, Mother checked behind our ears, and, wearing our tidiest clothes, we waited to greet our guests at the bottom of the lane and then walked behind the trap. At the steepest section, there was a shriek from Aunt Margaret. Uncle Charlie hung on but his lady wife came [a pause here to choose the right words] skirt-over-bonnet over the back of the trap. Luckily there was no real damage. One of us, or rather all of us, had forgotten to secure the bolt under the seat."

Beth Williams

Film Night at Llangunllo

Film nights are always an enjoyable way to brighten the darker, winter evenings – especially in the company of friends.

This was certainly the case on Friday the 21st February, when The Friends of St Cynllo's Church presented the fun and frolics of the 1977 comedy classic film, *"Smokey And The Bandit,"* at Llangunllo Community Hall.

When notorious truckers, Bo "Bandit" Darville, and his buddy, Cledus "Snowman" Snow, meet a couple of big shots and agree to smuggle a full load of Coors beers from Texas in super-quick time, Bandit didn't bank on picking up runaway bride, Carrie, hitchhiking in her full wedding dress, having jilted the sheriff's son at the altar!

Madcap car chases, car smashes and CB radio banter ensues, as Sheriff "Smokey Bear" Justice and his halfwit son, Junior, try to pursue Bandit and Carrie, travelling in a speedy, souped-up Pontiac. Cledus thunders on in the truck, carrying the contraband, hoping to evade capture. The Justice losers, and their increasingly wrecked cruiser, fail to catch Bandit

and Carrie, cheered on throughout their escapades by their many CB Radio enthusiast friends. Of course, Bandit (Burt Reynolds) and Carrie (Sally Field) fall in love, and the beer is delivered with time to spare, when the truck finally crashes successfully through police road barricades. As their victorious finale is realised, a crazy, double or nothing deal is set up with the big shots. The lovers speed off towards Boston, pursued by a line of police cars. Their new challenge; to bring back clam chowder in 18 hours – and so their adventures continue!

During the interval, beef burgers were served with a selection of tasty toppings, followed by delicious chocolate fudge traybake and a bumper prize raffle was drawn. A very happy evening was enjoyed by all, sending everyone home with smiles on their faces.

Debbie Jones



Knighton Flicks in the Sticks

At Knighton Community Centre. Doors open at 7.00pm. Bar available.



11th April - Firebrand

15 | 120 mins

Oscar winner Alicia Vikander (*The Danish Girl*) and nominee Jude Law (*Cold Mountain*) star in a revisionist royal portrait of the last wife of Henry VIII.

In a blood-soaked island kingdom, accomplished Katherine Parr (Vikander) becomes the sixth wife of King Henry VIII (Law) at great personal risk – all her predecessors are vanquished or dead – and when Henry leaves her to rule during his absence overseas, he lays out a dangerous path for her. Suspected of sympathy to radical Protestants, Katherine comes under increasing scrutiny from Henry on his return, and must unleash her own scheme for survival.

Adapted from Elizabeth Fremantle's novel *The Queen's Gambit*, this lavish historical drama features a scene-stealing performance from Law.



25th April - Small Things Like These

12a | 98 mins

Oscar winner Cillian Murphy (*Oppenheimer*) delivers another outstanding performance in Tim Mielants' piercing drama based on Claire Keegan's best-selling novella, fully channelling the quiet tension and live emotion of her prose.

Ireland, 1985: In the months leading up to Christmas, coalman and family man Bill Furlong (Murphy) discovers startling secrets kept by the local convent. Deeply conflicted, Bill reaches a breaking point that forces him to confront both his own past and the complicit silence of a small Irish town under the control of the Catholic Church, led locally by Mother Superior Sister Mary (Emily Watson).

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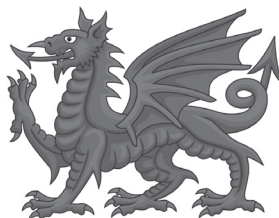
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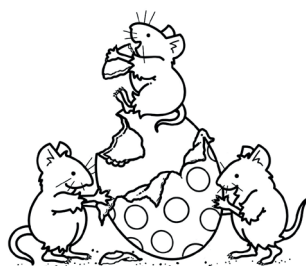
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Gladestry 49

I can report that the figures are back from the auditor, so here are the winners for November and December last year. Liz Lythall (34), Bob Terry (18), Betty Johnson (41), Cathy Morgan (56/30), Margaret Maddy (17), Bob Terry (18), John Harrison (3), Colin Bufton (8) and Chris Kendrick (55/31).

Someone's knocking on your door; it could be you! That is if you have a number in our village lottery.

Michael Johnson

Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

Meetings are held in Knucklas Community Centre at 7.30 pm, normally on the second Monday of the month.

At the last one, the speaker was Nick Morgan from the Forest of Dean, who spoke, with obvious knowledge and love of plants, on the subject of 'Growing Produce in Small Greenhouses'.

On the evening of **April 14th**, the subject of the talk will be 'Delightful Dahlias'. The monthly competition will be to present the best arrangement of primulas.

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Easter Faith In Atheist Russia

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Then a man rose and asked to speak. He was a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church. He went and stood next to Bukharin. Facing the people, he raised his arms and spoke just three triumphant words: 'Christ is risen!'

At once the entire assembly rose to their feet and gave the joyful response, 'He is risen indeed!' It was a devastating moment for an atheist politician, who had no answer to give to this ancient Easter liturgy. He had not realised he was simply too late: how can you convince people that God does not exist when they have already encountered Him?

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St David's Day Celebration at Knighton Community Centre

There was a full turnout for the St David's Day celebration at the Comm on 2nd March. The programme featured Welsh folk music from accomplished harpist Eleri Darkins. This was followed by songs and dancing by a group of children from Knighton C/W Primary School, led by Judith Credo. Prizes were awarded for the best dressed children in Welsh costume. There were readings in Welsh by Rosemary Hanna and Matt Clarke, a folk song from Judith and a performance of Welsh tunes by the Knighton Handbells group. Rosamund Black from the Welsh Textile Museum gave a fascinating illustrated talk about the costumes of Welsh harpists of the past before the Llanfair Singers brought the event to a close.

A team of Comm volunteers helped organise children's activities, while others in the cafe served Welsh cakes and bara brith. Many thanks to Judith Credo who organised the programme, to Knighton Rotary Club and the Midcounties Co-op for their donations, and to all those who contributed to this very enjoyable free event.

Whitton WI Coffee Morning

We held a busy Coffee morning on 11th March and this will continue regularly on the second Tuesday of every month, 10.30am until 12 noon. One couple agreed that "it has to be the bargain of the month" not just because all aspects are free! What brings them back is: the welcoming atmosphere, combined with the cafetière coffee and non-stop tea, a selection of delicious cakes, books and local information. All of which culminates in the 'eagerly awaited' and often interesting(?) and surprising(!) raffle, with prizes such as eggs – even when it's not Easter!



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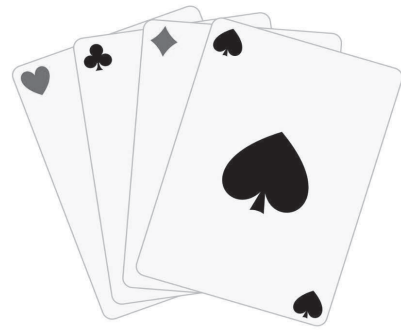
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Looking Back in Time and Managing the Accounts!

Llangunllo Churchwardens accounts and “overseers of the poor” began in 1693 and are among the earliest in Wales. From the beginning they were written in English, rather than Welsh, albeit sometimes “Radnorshire English!” In the past, churchwardens were local government as well as church official, and their accounts provide for the first time a picture of everyday life in the parish. Until 1868 churchwardens were allowed to levy a rate on all parishioners, even if not church attenders, and the money recorded in the accounts was expenditure from this.

One of the first entries is in 1694 with Mr Cooper being paid £1 for beautifying the church and in 1695 £1 and 5 shillings was paid for mossing and crofting the church (for protection under the tiles.)

In 1716, Elinor Philip, the cleaner, received 1 shilling and in the same year a book of prayer for the King was purchased, also at 1 shilling. This was followed in 1728 with a prayer book for the Royal Family.

When the Rural Dean came on his annual official visit in 1706 the sum of 2 shillings and 6 pence was spent to treat him, and in 1718 when the new vicar arrived 3 shillings was paid out, presumably to welcome him to the parish.

With “vermin” in the churchyard, the accounts refer to payment for the killing of foxes, polecats, hedgehogs, jackdaws, and on one occasion, a great wild cat! Ale was generally purchased in celebration when the said vermin were dispatched.

Rogation Sunday was one of the days favoured for beating the parish bounds when the parishioners were led by the vicar, who stopped from time to time for readings from the gospels. Free refreshment was often provided and expenditure of 3 shillings a year for “ale for the parish round” is recorded during much of the 18th Century.

The north side of the churchyard was unpopular for burial, it was believed to be under the influence of the devil, so ground favoured to the south and east of the yard was used and re-used over the generations. The bones which inevitably came to light were collected and, in 1720 and 1782, entries appear for “burying the bones.”

From 1730 the school, held in the church, was financed from the accounts and varying sums of money were continuously spent on materials for repairing the fabric of the building, the clock and the bells in the tower.

As overseers of the poor, Llangunllo Churchwardens undertook a number of duties.

In 1718 a statement of burial for Elinor Griffiths, dependent on the parish, amounted to £3, 12 shillings and 6 pence and included payment to those who attended her, a shroud, ale, bread, butter and cheese for the wake and 1 shilling for the Parson.

In 1743 the overseers provided a man with a pair of shoes, a shirt, clogs, waistcoat and breeches at a combined cost of 15 shillings and 6 pence.

The school from 1769 was bequeathed £2 and 5 shillings annually for teaching poor children.

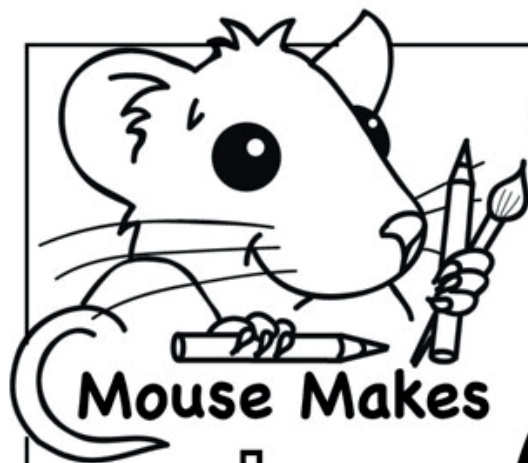
Charity was also extended to neighbouring parishes, as in 1719, when Beguildy was given 5 shillings for loss by fire.

Sometimes the poor and aged of the parish benefited from donations distributed via the church. In 1829 the late William Bryan of Crungoed left £2 in his will to be given to those of seventy years or upwards. One Anne Wild, at the grand age of 97, received her 2 shillings with others on Good Friday after Divine Service. The following year, D Griffiths Esq, gave 2 guineas among the poor which was received partly in money and partly in coals.

Llangunllo also looked to help the poor in other areas. In 1822 the parish collected money for those in Ireland affected by the failed potato crop of the summer, which alongside limited employment opportunities, created famine in the west and south west of the country. Donations were received from seventeen households to help the suffering families.

From Church Records





On the cross Jesus opened wide his arms for us.
Jesus put an end to death by dying for us,
and showed us the resurrection to
come by His raising to new life!



Jesus is risen!

The angel said:
"Jesus ...is not here, for He
has risen, just as He said."
Matthew 28:6

Jesus is here

Jesus said:
"Where two or three
come together
in my name I am
there with them."
Matthew 18:20



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Knucklas Notes

As I write, it is not quite spring yet, but by the time that you read this it will be, and the clocks will have been adjusted forwards by an hour (overnight ready for March 30th.). By then, the Spring Equinox will have passed giving us more daylight than night.

Spring will bring with it a great flurry of activity, as plants surge upwards from the soil and there will be some lovely displays of daffodils etc. Lambing will be in full spate on local farms.

Easter Sunday is on April 20th, always an extremely important day in the life of the churches and chapels. Good Friday is two days before. These dates are later than on most years..

Many plans have been made to challenge and delight local people as well as to attract visitors from further afield.

On April 11th, the Thai New Year, the Castle Inn will reopen to the public for evening meals on Fridays and Saturdays.

On the last Friday evening of each month, the highly successful Open Mic evenings continue at the Community Centre, with cooked food on offer. These events are organised by Stevie Yeomans and his Shop Front Heroes, and team of helpers. But the Hall is generally open for socialising on a Friday night and, of course, can be hired for special occasions.

Taking a wider perspective, the Everest Hall in Llanfair Waterdine, along with the Pavilion, offers a whole host of activities ranging from monthly midweek church services to social get-togethers and these are open to, and patronised by, some Knucklas residents. The Everest Hall is also hosting regular church services whilst the Parish Church is under repair. Interestingly, Presteigne is planning something not dissimilar for Wents Meadow - a community store and bar.

The management of the Heart of Wales Railway Line, a much-vaunted worldwide tourist attraction but also needed by some local residents, seem to have 'backtracked' on their cuts to our local service and will be restoring our weekday five trains a day (each way). Even better, they will now be encouraging 'Active Travel' by progressively bringing in carriages which can accommodate 10 cycles, instead of just two. Well done, all our determined campaigners!

Herefordshire Arts Week (in September) is even now being prepared for, using the very successful format from previously, with a major display in Knucklas Community Centre, along with hot food. And the freshly installed patio should prove an added attraction.

The bridge onto Chapel Close (by us) is still out of service but 'Julie's bungalow', along with the extensive gardens, is under renovation by the Thomas brothers from Felindre. It will be so good to see it lived in and enjoyed again after years of dereliction.

Council tax rises of 8.9% and water rates bills with a much greater increase than that, are causing concern. Meanwhile, Royal Mail are increasing their charges for 1st. and 2nd. class letters from April 7th.

Robert Forbath

St David's Colva Celebration 2nd March

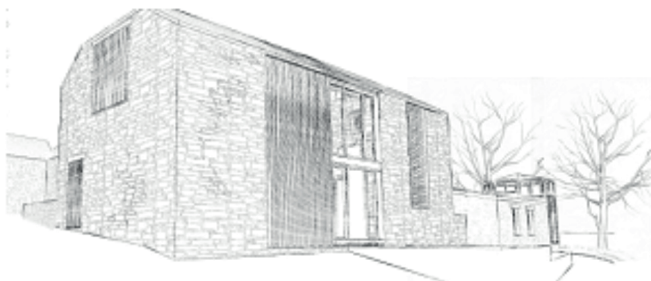
St David is noted for saying *'Be Joyful, keep the faith and do the little things.'*

Rev'd Rachael Storer took this text and included it in her address at the celebration service.

A bright spring-like day greeted pilgrims and visitors as the strains of Myfanwy and Ar Hyd Y Nos were heard as the Radnor Valley Band played a variety of Welsh melodies. Readings and poems were given by individuals and this included the favourite poem called Cwtch (hug)!

On concluding the service Rev Storer addressed those present saying how everyone can take a small but significant action by giving a smile to someone. It's an act of kindness and could make a big difference to someone's day. Thanks were extended to all who took part and helped with the afternoon. The service ended with everyone singing as the band played the Welsh national anthem.

Welsh cakes and bara brith were then enjoyed, which had been provided by the church ladies.



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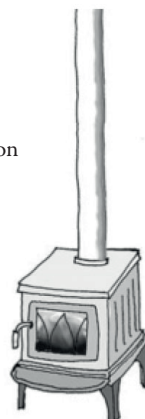
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David Roberts Poem

The prolonged war put increasing pressure on cereal production and meat supplies.

The farmers producing it were short of labour as the farm workers went to fight, and the supplies from overseas were badly disrupted.

But it seems the recommendations were for the same healthy diet we are encouraged to eat today! Plus ça change!

LESS MEAT - June 1915

A serious order has just been made,
And sent around by the Board of Trade:
We're ax'd to study the food we eat,
And be ekonomikal with our meat.

What tho' the booyes be a little wroth,
They'll have to manage without their broth!
The meat's getting scarce and the price be high
Some other nutrishiun we've got to try.

Instead of the joint for the shearing men,
You must fither and booil an auldish hen:
For breakfast instead of the eggs and ham,
You'll do very fine on bread and jam!

You must try to "coddle up" summat new,
A fresh hotpot or an Irish stew;
Make lentil soup, eat harrico beans,
With a good supply of "garden greens."

You'll do with a litle butchers meat,
If you study wisely the stuff to eat:
You can manage to get a wholesome dish,
If you shoot a rabbit or ketch a fish.

Some "oatmeal pudding" or porridge strong,
And flummery, too, will help you along;
Some taters and milk will keep you square,
And you canna imagine a chepper fare.

The cheese be up to a shilling a pound,
So now a substitute must be found;
Take plenty of salad with your bread,
And you'll be better and chepper fed.

My friends, I hope you wunnw be scared,
For a little meat can yet be spared;
Our best support we still should give,
For the butcher, who arter all must live.

Readings for April

6th April Passion Sunday

Isaiah 43. 16-21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3. 4b-14

John 12. 1-8

13th April Palm Sunday

Luke 19. 28-40

Psalm 118. 19-29

20th April Easter Day

Isaiah 65. 17-25

Psalm 118. 14-24

Acts 10. 34-43

John 20.1-18

27th April Easter 2

Acts 5. 27-32

Psalm 150

Revelation 1. 4-8

John 20.19-31

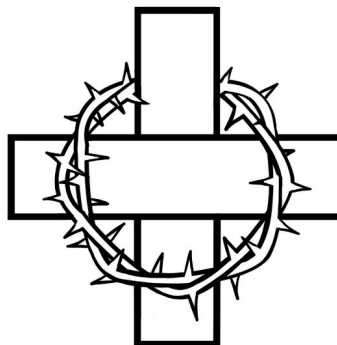
4th May Easter 3

Acts 9. 1-20

Psalm 30

Revelation 5. 11-14

John 21. 1-19



Readings for Holy Week

Monday 14th

Isaiah 42. 1-9

Psalm 36.5-11

Hebrews 9. 11-15

John 12. 1-11

Tuesday 15th

Isaiah 49. 1-7

Psalm 71. 1-14

1 Corinthians 1. 18-31

John 13. 21-32

Wednesday 16th

Isaiah 50. 4-9a

Psalm 70

Hebrews 12. 1-3

John 13. 21-32

Maundy Thursday 17th

Exodus 12. 1-14

Psalm 116. 12-19

1 Corinthians 11. 23-26

John 13. 1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday 18th

Isaiah 52. 13-53.12

Psalm 22

Hebrews 10. 16-25

John 18.1-19.42

Easter Eve – Saturday 19th

Job 14. 1-14

Psalm 31. 1-5

1 Peter 4. 1-8

Matthew 27. 57-66

Pilleth Church Services

Sundays at 3.00 pm

April 27th

May 25th

June 22nd

July 27th

August 24th

September 28th

Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Service every Sunday
at 11 am

Gravel Baptist Chapel

13th April 2.30pm

Sue Wilson

11th May 6.30pm

combined Songs of Praise at
Maes-yr-Helem

*Further information from
Keith Williams
01597 851 122*

St Mary's Church, New Radnor, Services

Every 2nd Sunday, 10am,
Morning prayer in church

Every 3rd Sunday, 4pm,
Evening Praise in
Community Centre

Every 4th Sunday, 10am,
Holy Communion in Church

Please contact Reverend Rachael
Storer for any queries about the
services, thank you. The Rectory,
School Lane, New Radnor.
Telephone: 01544 350 760

Methodist Church Services

6th April _____ Rev Sheila Macinally

13th April _____ Kingsley Duah

18th April _____ Good Friday Walk of Witness (Churches Together)

20th April _____ Rev Phil Summers _____ Holy Communion

27th April _____ Robert Walker

4th May _____ Stephen Dalton

Baptist Church Services - April

Sun 6th _____ 11am _____ Worship Service _____ Norton Street, Knighton
6pm _____ Sunday @ 6 Service _____ Knucklas Chapel

Mon 7th _____ 7pm _____ Prayer Space _____ Comm Room, Norton Street, Knighton

Sun 13th _____ 11am _____ Worship Service _____ Norton Street, Knighton

Good Friday

Fri 18th _____ 10.30am _____ Churches Together Walk of Witness _____ Meet at Cenotaph

Easter Sunday

Sun 20th _____ 9.30am _____ Easter Celebration Service _____ Knucklas Chapel
11am _____ Easter Worship Service _____ Norton Street, Knighton

Sun 27th _____ 11am _____ Worship Service _____ Norton Street, Knighton

In addition to the above, our popular Toddler Group meets 10.00-11.30am each Thursday morning in the Community Room at our Knighton Chapel during school term times. We also have a network of Lifegroups meeting daytime and evenings during the week - please call our Pastor, Rev. Gareth Davidson for details of times and venues on 01547 519215. For details of other events and news, please see our Facebook page.

Can You Help? East Radnor Ministry Area Volunteers Needed

The East Radnor Ministry Area is now up and running but there are still some essential people needed to ensure that it will run smoothly.

We need a Ministry Area Treasurer, Secretary,
and more members of the Ministry Area Council
to fill roles on various sub committees.

If you would like to know more about what is involved,
please contact Rev'd Rachael Storer

East Radnor Ministry Area Bible Study Group

**The third Thursday
of the month,
10am-11.30am**

Hosted by David & Heather Evans,
Middle House, Beggars Bush

A warm welcome awaits you

For further information please
contact Rev Rachael Storer
rachaelstorer@cinw.org.uk
01544 350 760



Diocesan Prayer

**Our diocesan prayer, which captures our vision for
Ministry Areas so well, says this:**

*Bless us as we **gather** in your name;*

*Guide us as we **grow** into the likeness of your Son;*

*Lead us by your Spirit to **go** out and make disciples of others.*

Ministry areas are the structure we are using to journey
together with God as a pilgrim people, turning that vision
into reality.

from diocesan website

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Norton	SO 304672	LD8 2EY
Whitton	SO 390673	LD7 1AG
Pilleth	SO 256682	LD7 1NP
Cascob	SO 239664	LD8 2NT
N Radnor	SO 210609	LD8 2SS
Gladestry	SO 230551	HR5 3NR
Colva	SO 199512	HR5 3RA
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St Ed's Church Hall	Jean Price	01547 528 260	
Whitton Community Hall	Gill Powell	01547 560 367	

Church Kneelers – St Edward's, Knighton

We are often asked by visitors for information on the colourful kneelers in St Edward's. In the nineties a lot of the existing kneelers were old and worn out and costly to replace. It was the idea of Vera Wood and Jean Price to invite people to design and stitch a kneeler in memory of a loved one. This extended to special events and clubs. This proved very popular. The first two wedding kneelers in the front of the church were donated in memory of George and Edith Bathurst, both church members for many years. We are fortunate to have such talented needlewomen here in our community.



EASTER AND MOTHER'S DAY CRAFT AFTERNOON

Children's Crafts • Snacks • Story time

**29th March
2025
12pm – 2pm**

**Evenjobb
Village Hall**

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New Radnor Informal Worship

April 20th Easter Communion

May 18th Spring Hymns and Pimm's

June 22nd Surprised by John

July 20th All Creatures Great and Small

3rd Sunday of month

Cafe Style

4pm New Radnor Community Centre

nb. Apr & July worship in church

Refreshments & Cakes/Biscuits

All are welcome

if you would like a lift, please call 01544 350691

East Radnor Ministry Area Service Rota April 2025

6th April – Passion Sunday (Purple)

10am	St Michael's, Llanfihangel Nant Melan.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Peter's, Evancoyd.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Edward's, Knighton.....	Holy Communion
2.30pm	St David's, Colva.....	Holy Communion
3.00pm	St Michael's, Cascob.....	Evening Worship
7.30pm	St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa	Compline

13th April – Palm Sunday (Purple or Red)

9.30am.....	St David's, Whitton	Morning Worship
10am	St Mary's, Gladestry	Holy Communion
10am	St Mary's, New Radnor.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Peter's, Evancoyd.....	Holy Communion
11am	St Edward's, Knighton.....	Morning Worship

20th April – Easter Day (White)

9.30am.....	St David's, Whitton	Holy Communion
11am	St Peter's, Evancoyd.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Edward's, Knighton.....	Holy Communion
2pm	St David's, Heyope.....	Holy Communion
4pm	St Mary's, New Radnor	Holy Communion
5pm	St Cynllo's, Llangunllo	Evening Worship

27th April – The Second Sunday of Easter (White)

10am	St Mary's, New Radnor.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Edward's, Knighton.....	Morning Worship
3pm	St Mary's, Gladestry	Evening Worship
3pm	St Mary's, Pilleth	Evening Worship

4th May – The Third Sunday of Easter (White)

10am	St Michael's, Llanfihangel Nant Melan.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Peter's, Evancoyd.....	Morning Worship
11am	St Edward's, Knighton.....	Holy Communion
2.30pm	St David's, Colva.....	Evening Worship
3.00pm	St Michael's, Cascob.....	Holy Communion
7.30pm	St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa	Compline

Holy Week 14th – 19th April

Monday 14th

9am - St David's, Whitton
Morning Worship

Tuesday 15th

12 noon - Brecon Cathedral
Chrism Mass

Wednesday 16th

11.30am - St Edward's, Knighton
Church Hall
Celtic Morning Prayer and Lenten Lunch

Maundy Thursday 17th

6pm - St Mary's, Gladestry
Celtic Evening Prayer with Feet Washing

Good Friday 18th

10am - The Hub, New Radnor
Hot Cross Bun Reflection Service

10am - from Brookside Square
Knighton Churches Together Walk of Witness

2pm - St Peter's, Evancoyd
The Final Hour

Easter Eve - Saturday 19th

6pm - St Mary's, New Radnor
Compline

7pm - St Mary Magdalene, Bleddfa
Holy Communion of Easter

Knighton Walk of Witness with the Cross

Good Friday, 18th April

Starting at the Cenotaph in
Brookside Square at 10.30 am and
finishing at the Clock Tower

With readings & hymns accompanied by
members of Knighton Town Band

Afterwards, gather at the Methodist
Church for refreshments, hopefully
including hot cross buns.