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The Village Shop in Whitton



Whitton Old Post Office



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The Village Shop in Whitton

Whitton was only a very small hamlet prior to 1950, with only four houses, one of which was the Post Office, the Dame Anna Child's Endowed school and St. David's Church. The hamlet has grown over the succeeding years, with the addition of four council houses built in 1951, followed by five small housing developments after 1970. In 1980 there were around eleven properties and by the mid 1990's this had increased to thirty-five.

The building which was the Post Office was originally a public house, known as "The Red Lion" until 1913, when it became "The Whitton Arms". In 1895 the landlord of the pub was Walter Evans, then in 1906 it was run by Herbert Jay who was also a grocer. The pub also had a shed to the rear which served as a shooting range, and another shed on the school side of the pub which was used by the local undertaker. Sometime prior to 1920 at the "Whitton Arms" a fight broke out and someone was killed there. Much of the detail has been lost in time and I have not been able to find any accurate details, but apparently a local well-respected family, the Whiteheads, lived at Nantygroes Hall and were members of the Temperance movement, who despised consumption of alcohol and they then bought the pub, closed it down and reopened it as a village shop and Post Office.

In 1920 the property was bought by William Wozencraft and his wife, who started the Post Office and shop. They also had a few cows and provided milk for the locality as well as supplying milk to the village school in the old "third of a pint" bottles for pupils to drink at breaktime. I remember as a schoolboy going across the school garden path to collect the milk crate of bottles from the Post Office. It was always a thrill to go across to the Post Office and shop to spend a few pennies on sweets or chocolates after school. The running of the Post Office and shop was taken over in 1963 by his son Frank and wife Marjorie. Frank had previously been the walking Postman for the area and walked many miles each day and in all weathers, delivering post to the surrounding farms and houses. Many of the "public footpaths" we have today were postman's paths to get around the area.

The Post Office and shop closed in 1973 and it is now a private house. But Whitton came close to having another Pub in 1989, when a local developer, living in Whitton, put in planning permission for a development on the Lord's Land. This consisted of around eight houses and a village pub cum shop and was approved by the Whitton Community Council by the Chairman's casting vote! I know because I was the Chairman. The development eventually went ahead, but changing economic times meant the Pub and shop was not going to be viable so it was replaced by another house. So nowadays it is a common sight to see the home delivery vans criss-crossing the village and we shall never again see the small family-run village shop.

Colin Pugh

*Some information sourced from the book "*The Pubs of Radnorshire*" by Tony Hobbs.

St David's Day Celebration at the Comm – Croeso i Ddathliad Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Sant

Knighton Comm is delighted to welcome back accomplished harpist Eleri Darkins who will be leading the St David's Day Celebration on **Sunday 2nd March**. Throughout the afternoon there will be a performance by children from Knighton Primary School, with awards for the three best dressed children in Welsh costume, as well as Welsh poetry readings and folk songs, and a display of Welsh costumes, finishing with *The Llanfair Singers*. Free entry, bar and cafe and children's activities.

PROGRAMME

3.00pm **Eleri Darkins ar y telyn** - Welsh Folk Music on the Triple Harp

3.20pm **Knighton C/W children's group dance and song.**

Cân a dawnsio and awards for the three best dressed children in Welsh costume

3.35pm **Welsh Poetry, Folk Songs & Melodies** - Welsh Learners / Dysgwyr Cymraeg & Knighton Handbells Group

4.00pm **Welsh harpists of the past** - Rosamund Black, Welsh Textile Museum

4.10pm **Eleri Darkins ar y telyn**, playing the Triple Harp

4.30-5pm... **Llanfair Singers** - Cantorion Llanfair.

A Letter from the Vicar's Study

Dear Friends,

Ash Wednesday this year is on the 5th March, the start of the forty days of the Lent Season, when the church colour changes to purple to reflect the prayerful theme of Lent. It is traditionally a period of preparation, something like a spiritual spring clean as we look towards Easter, and is often a time when we give things up, usually chocolate, wine, cakes or sweets. But not on a Sunday as that is a feast day!

But what if we turn on its head the idea of giving things up for Lent, although if you decide to do this you have my admiration and best wishes. Completely the opposite of giving something up is maybe doing something positive in Lent, taking a task on that always seems to be on the to do list, but never gets done as we seem never to have enough time to complete it. Maybe visiting or calling someone each week during Lent who you wouldn't normally see. This can make a huge difference to people who live alone and may feel forgotten by the community they live in. Another idea may be putting some time aside each day to read a book or to reconnect with God in a way that is comfortable for you.

Whatever you decide to take on or give up during Lent, I hope it is a fruitful and fulfilling time for you as you prepare for Easter and all the joy that it holds.

God Bless, Rachael



About the Cover - Ethiopian Annunciation with Coffee

On March 25 (nine months before Christmas) the church celebrates the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel tells Mary that she will give birth to Jesus. In this dramatic Ethiopian window Mary reaches out to embrace the angel's message. She wears traditional blue, but instead of white Gabriel wears colourful green with red wings, and he holds a lily, Mary's symbol. Both have halos, a sign that they are God's servants, and both are Ethiopians.

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Rev Rachael Storer

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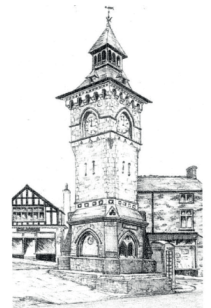
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Flora and Fauna

This hopeful month can be very satisfying and rewarding, yet it can be very disappointing. Just like the birds, we experience an urge to “get out and get on” in the garden, and then the weather can dampen all our expectations. It should be the month when we sow, transplant, take cuttings and work the soil in preparation for lots of planting to take place. However, in recent years, this month has been predominantly wet and windy in most parts. What happened to childhood memories of fluffy lambs and primroses everywhere? I am sure that, with other signs of spring, all will be well and the sun will shine again.

The colour yellow does say spring, and soon we will see daffodils taking the centre stage in the gardens, woods and parks. Many of the early varieties are already available to buy in the garden centres. It is worth making a note of a favourite, especially the scented ones, to purchase in the autumn.

Many of our herbaceous plants will at this time be overcrowded. Hostas, day lilies, sedums and Michaelmas daisies can easily be lifted and divided to replant elsewhere or give to a friend. From now on there will not be a dull moment in the garden.

On March 30th we will celebrate Mothering Sunday, offering the perfect opportunity to say “thank you” and be grateful to our mothers for all the love and sacrifice gladly made by them. Mothers are experts at kissing hurts better, giving praise and the million and one other things in between. Flowers are a perfect gift as they say everything we need to convey. All ladies enjoy receiving a posy or bouquet, especially on this special day. Lots of us will have such lovely happy memories of childhood days in Sunday school, arranging primroses and bluebells to make posies for Mothering Sunday.

Jean Price

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Knighton News

Coffee Morning

Come along and join in our chat and coffee morning on **Saturday 15th March** at 10.30am. All welcome. There will be the usual stalls and competitions. If you have unwanted items to donate, please bring them along (we can collect - phone 528260).

Our February meeting raised the sum of £235.00 for church funds.

Competition winners were: Nigella, B Steadman, L Conway, W Morris, V Cropper and J Bevan. A huge thank you to all for your company and support for the parish church in Knighton.

Bingo

No game this month, but it is hoped to start again at Easter (see posters). The roof fund is still open and tiles needed. Look out for events to help us reach the amount needed to replace the roof ASAP.

Rev'd Dr Basil Bevan

We recently had visitors to St Edward's by family members of Rev'd Bevan, who was a popular curate in the 1950s in our church. Can you help? I have some information, but maybe there is more we can find in your attic.

From the Registers

- January 16th - Rev'd Rachael Storer conducted the funeral service for Eileen Davies, who passed away on 28th December aged 78 years. The organist was George Baker. The hymns chosen were “The Lord's my Shepherd” and “Guide me, O Thou Great Redeemer”. A poem and eulogy were read by family members. Eileen was laid to rest in the cemetery with husband Bernard.
- Our thoughts are with all bereaved at this time, especially the family of Eileen Davies, mourning the loss of a much loved mother.
- We remember in our prayers all who are unwell, in hospital, recovering at home, and church members Annie, June and Brenda.

Dates for your Diary

March 5th	Ash Wednesday (no flowers in church)
March 7th	Women's World Day of Prayer (St Edward's)
March 30th	Mothering Sunday

The Radnor Magazine

Subscriptions are now due, £15.00 for the year. Have you an interesting story you would like to share with us? Please send it to our editor before the 15th of the month.

Jean Price

A clergyman consulted his doctor about his wife's snoring. “It has to STOP,” he insisted.

The doctor was intrigued: “Does it really bother you that much?”

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Celtic Saint of the Month

St Non (mother of St David) – 2nd, 3rd or 5th March

If you have been to St David's you may well have walked out to the coast to visit Non's chapel and holy well. The only extant written record we have of her is in the Life of David, written by Rhygyfarch in the 11th century, five hundred years after David's death, no doubt drawing on information from ancient manuscripts. But oral tradition is very strong and the ruined Celtic chapel, in a field above St Non's Bay, is said to be where she gave birth to David. It is certainly an ancient spot, for there is a Bronze Age stone circle there, so it is a good example of how the Celtic Church "redeemed" ancient sacred sites by building a chapel for Christian worship.



Capel Non - The reputed birthplace of St David



St Non's Well

David was conceived when Non was raped by Sant. This makes me wonder if these were their actual names as Non means "nun" and Sant means "holy", which looks a bit suspect to me, but very suitable names for the parents of the patron saint of Wales. Sant was a prince of Ceredigion. Non is said to have been the daughter of Cynyr Ceinfarfog, lord of Caer Goch. When David was old enough she took him to the monastery at Henfeynyw, near Aberaeron, to be educated and later together they founded a nunnery at Llanon further along the coast.

Like many other Welsh saints, Non is said to have sailed across the Severn Sea to Cornwall, where there are churches dedicated to her at Altarnun (Non's Altar) and at Pelynt (originally plou Nent – Non's Parish). The latter name is interesting as it is a rare example of the Breton word plou being used in Cornwall. Anyway, eventually Non went over to Brittany and founded a monastery at Dirinon (Non's Oaks), where she eventually died. Her shrine and chapel can still be seen there.



Statue of St Non at Dirinon in Brittany, where she is said to have died.

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There are holy wells at all these places connected with Non. The well beside the chapel ruins near St David's is one of the most famous of Wales's holy wells. It was (and maybe still is) famed for its healing powers, especially for eye diseases. The well near Altarnun has a special pool called a bowssening pool. It was used as shock treatment to cure insanity. Insane people would be pushed into the pool and tossed up and down until they were exhausted, followed by prayers in the church. I wonder if it worked!



Non's shrine in Dirinon

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Rosemary Hanna

High Points of Felindre WI

At our final meeting on Wednesday 6th November 2024, it was agreed that members jot down the high points and most memorable moments of their membership – these have now been collated and we would like to share them with you.

Members were unanimous in saying it was the friendship, support and involvement within the WI that gave them the most pleasure. The longest-serving member recalled the time in the late 1960s when the WI were called upon by the Felindre Village Hall Committee to help redecorate and make new curtains for the Hall. We took our young children with us and they had a wonderful time with the paint!

The early 1970s saw us marching through the streets of Knighton, singing “*We shall not be moved*” accompanied on guitar by Alexis Corner, in protest to the proposed closure of Knighton Hospital.

The annual WI Concert was a big feature in our programme of events - this would be a great community affair with the school-children, YFC, husbands and friends and a great fund-raiser for local charities. A theme would be chosen, very often something that was topical at the time - back in 1984 we sang Band Aid’s “*Do they know it’s Christmas*” and in 1999 we did the “*Calendar Girls*” - both topics still relevant today. It started out as a one-night event and gradually increased to a packed house on three nights.

Felindre WI were generous and offered an annual Denman Bursary, the lucky winner would attend Denman College on a course of her choice, which many did. Felindre had excellent talent and won many competitions in the County Show and Knighton Show.

Members loved visiting gardens and historical places, especially if there was tea and cake available. Two members were invited to have lunch with the late Princess Diana and one member had tea with the late Queen at Buckingham Palace Garden Party on two occasions.

Sponsored walks were a great feature and litter picks an annual event.

Over the years members have come and gone for a variety of reasons. It would have been good to have reached 100, but it was not to be. Much enjoyment was had and lifelong friends made. Some members have already joined other WI’s and it is hoped that in the future there will be another Felindre WI.

All records of Felindre WI are now stored in the Powys Archives, Llandrindod Wells and available for viewing on request.

Rebe Brick

Tref y Clawdd WI

This month we enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea with some of our members to catch up with business matters. The meetings have been so busy recently, that we needed to just catch up with each other as well as sorting various WI related procedures and planning ahead.

Last week we all enjoyed “Chair Yoga” with Serena at her local studio. (Serenity Mai in Knighton). We had an inspiring afternoon and felt that all our muscles had been stretched and worked out gently. Serena was very welcoming and understanding of stiff ankles and shoulders. We finished with a warm drink and vowed to be back.

The recent snow and ice meant we postponed our new year celebration - so we are now planning an Easter celebration meal and will enjoy the warmer weather.

Next month, we have invited “Crackpots” for a glass fusing course to which we’ve also invited other local clubs. We all made a lovely keepsake and had great fun a few years ago with Tony and Cheryl who run “Crackpots”. They are full of ideas.

The much-awaited competition results have now been announced and it was no surprise that one of our newer members, Pauline Williams, won the cup, as she’d consistently gained top marks throughout the year. The marks are always a closely guarded secret - so she was delighted to be named the winner. In second place, Dorothy and Julie won the rose bowl. Third place was Jean and Jane, with Mags as the fourth winner! It will be a close contest next year!

We meet at 7pm in St Edward’s church hall on the first Wednesday of each month.

Please phone Dorothy for more details if you’d like to join our lively and friendly group. 07974 678 514

High Points of Felindre WI



Felindre WI Calendar Girls 1999



Felindre WI Concert



*Left:
Founder Member
Edith Pugh and
Rhona Barnett – with
the crystal rose bowl
presented to Felindre
WI in 2017*

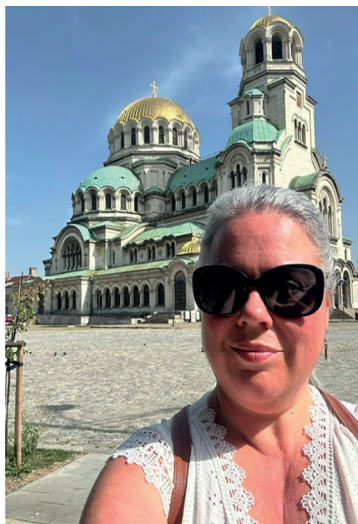


*Right:
Rhona Barnett with
Founder Members Elsie
Brick and Lily Price –
cutting the anniversary
cake in 2017*

Tref y Clawdd WI



Llangunllo WI



*Donna outside Alexander Nevsky Cathedral
and inside Rila Monastery*



Members getting to grips with making lampshades.



"The Armed Man" at St Edward's



Rev. Rachael welcomes singers, musicians and audience



Geoff Weaver directing an enthusiastic choir



Llangunllo WI Kick Off Their 2025 Programme

January's meeting saw Donna, one of our members, giving an illustrated talk on her solo trip to Bulgaria last summer. Traveling with a company called Journee, she was presented with a number of clues prior to receiving the final information as to her destination when she arrived at Heathrow Airport ready to start her holiday.

Her flight took her to Sofia, Bulgaria, and so began her adventure exploring its history, buildings, cultures, post-World War II events when under the influence of Russia, to modern day Bulgaria. The visit to the famous Eastern Orthodox Rila Monastery, along with other places of interest proved to be memorable.

The trip certainly gave Donna an insight into a country she knew little about, and her talk and photographs definitely provided members with a good introduction to the delights of Bulgaria. Oh, and let's not forget the good food and the local drink, Rakia, that Donna enjoyed certainly added to a very interesting and enjoyable holiday, even though at first it felt a little like stepping into the unknown.

February's meeting saw members making lampshades under the very capable guidance of Becca from hello@georgeandhoney.co.uk. I think we all started the activity thinking it was going to be really challenging, but it wasn't as hard as we thought. We mastered cutting the fabrics we chose to size, removing the backing paper from the liner to enable it to be stuck to the fabric, the double sided, very sticky, tape needed to wrap around the frame to attach the fabric, to neatening off the raw edges of the material around the frame to produce a fabulous lampshade. We were all so pleased with the outcome of our efforts with several of us deciding to buy another lampshade kit to make a further one.

After our hands on session, we held our business meeting, whilst enjoying a lovely afternoon tea at Isabel's home who had hosted the afternoon.

If you would like more information about Llangunllo WI please contact Isabel Morris on 01547 550689 as we welcome new members.

Anne Newton

"The Armed Man" at St Edward's

On Saturday 8th February, a total of eighty-six singers including the Llanfair Singers, supported by members of Kidderminster Choral Society and Wolverhampton Chamber Choir (plus a few other friends) met in St. Edward's Church, Knighton to rehearse and perform Karl Jenkins' powerful *Mass for Peace, The Armed Man*.

Accompaniment was provided by Tony Pinel, Ted Pearmain played the trumpet, and the performance was directed by Geoff Weaver.

In between the rehearsal and the performance, a wonderful tea was provided by Rebe Brick and friends.

Proceeds will be shared between the Knighton Food Bank and Christian Aid.

At a time when there is so much violence and conflict in the world, it felt very appropriate to sing for peace, and to assert that there is hope.

Geoff Weaver, Photos by Simon Gill

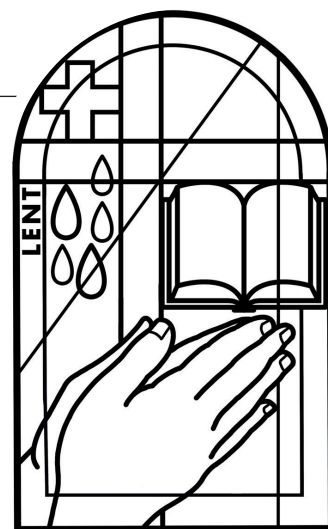
A prayer for Lent

We beseech you, O Lord, that as our bodies grow weaker for lack of food during the season of fasting, so our souls may grow stronger.

May we learn to fight more valiantly against evil,
and to strive more earnestly for righteousness.

Thus, through abstaining from the fruits of the earth,
may we bear more abundantly the fruits of Your spirit.

From the Gelasian Sacramentary (c. 500), the oldest official prayer book of the Western Church.



Sir Charles Edwards



Sir Charles Edwards (19th February 1867 – 15th June 1954) was a prominent Labour Party politician in the United Kingdom, best known for his long-standing representation of the Bedwellty constituency in Monmouthshire. Born to John and Catherine Edwards in Crungoed Cottage, Llangunllo, he received his early education at the National School in the village. Before entering politics, Edwards worked as an Assistant Miners' Agent at the South Wales Miners' Federation's Blackwood offices, reflecting his deep connection to the mining communities of South Wales.

In the 1918 general election, Edwards was elected as the inaugural Member of Parliament (MP) for the newly established Bedwellty constituency, a position he held until his retirement in 1950. Throughout his parliamentary career, he was a steadfast advocate for workers' rights and social justice, aligning with the core values of the Labour Party.

Edwards's contributions were recognized through several significant appointments. He was appointed a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) and was later knighted, becoming Sir Charles Edwards. In 1940, he was appointed to the Privy Council, underscoring his esteemed position in government. From 1940 to 1942, during the wartime coalition government, he served as the Chief Whip, playing a crucial role in maintaining party discipline and ensuring the smooth passage of legislation during a tumultuous period.

After a distinguished parliamentary tenure spanning over three decades, Edwards retired from the House of Commons at the 1950 general election. He passed away on 15 June 1954. His legacy is marked by his contributions to British politics during a transformative era.

You can read detailed story of Sir Charles Edwards life on the Llangunllo Community website:

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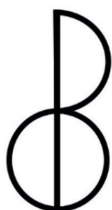
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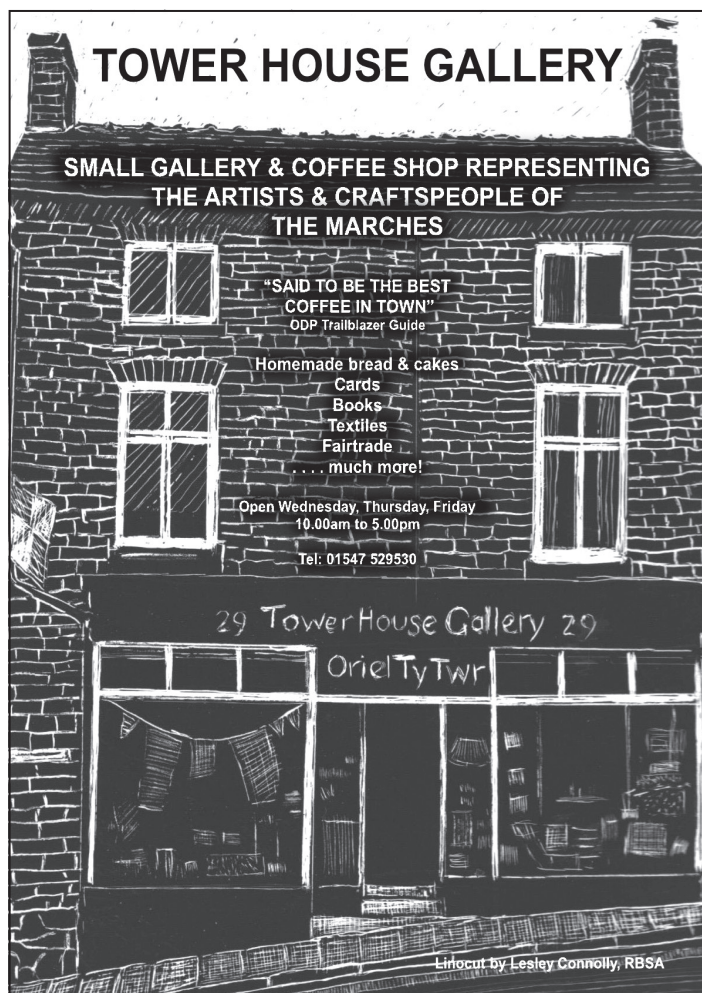
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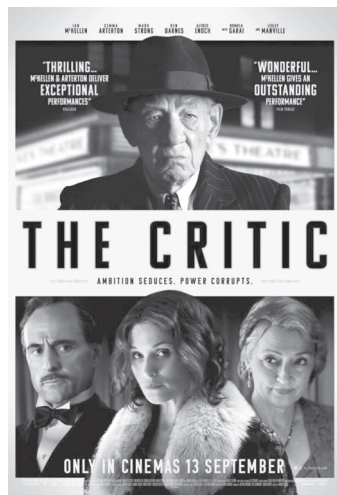
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7th March - The Critic (15)

Dir: Anand Tucker | 2024 | 101 mins

Ian McKellen and Gemma Arterton headline a scintillating thriller of theatre world ambition and deceit. 1936, London: Fascism is on the rise. Known for his merciless takedowns of actors like Nina (Arterton), acerbic critic and gay man Jimmy (McKellen) faces being fired by his editor David (Mark Strong) for both his extravagant prose and his personal life. As the Blackshirts take to the streets and anti-queer police raids begin, Jimmy uses Nina and David's desires to concoct a plot to save himself.



14th March - Paddington In Peru (PG)

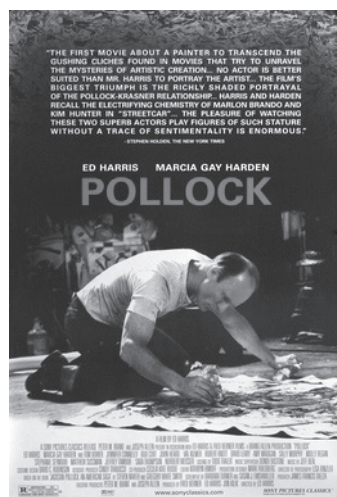
Dir: Dougal Wilson | 2024 | 106 mins

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28th March - Pollock (18)

Dir: Ed Harris | 2000 | 118 mins

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Teme Valley Gardeners' Club

Robin Pearce, from Shrewsbury, took us through the alphabet of shade-loving (or at least shade-tolerant) plants – it is amazing how many plants can cope without seeing very much sun. This month's winner of the flower-arranging competition was Thelma Lewis.

The forthcoming meeting is on the subject of 'Growing Plants in a Small Greenhouse.' It is due to take place at the usual venue of Knucklas Community Centre, at 7.30pm on **Monday 10th March.**

The competition will be for the best arrangement of narcissi, in a vase. An extra forthcoming competition will be the popular 'Growing Potatoes in a Bucket.'

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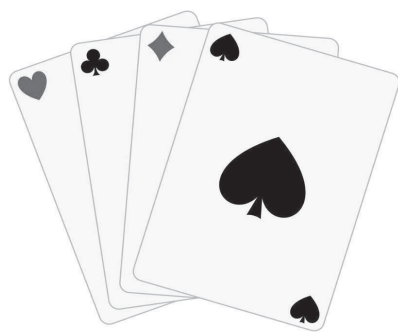
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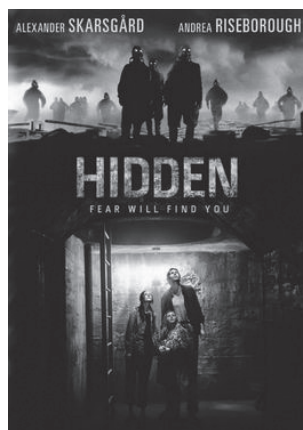
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"And the Light overcame the Darkness": Two Candlemas Celebrations

At the age of twenty I witnessed a march with flaming torches through the streets of Eilat, Israel. The celebration of the coming of the Light was a ceremony in the Jewish calendar. Since ancient times it had a celestial or divine significance. It marks the longer days and the beginning of Spring. It is no surprise therefore that the Christian service of Light falls mid-way between the winter solstice and the spring equinox.

The importance of light is referenced hundreds of times in the Holy Scriptures, beginning with creation through to the last book of the Bible – Revelation – itself another name for disclosure. Candlemas, as it is called, in the Christian calendar, observes when God's grace is bestowed on Jesus at the age of two in the temple. In Luke we learn that an old man, Simeon was to meet the Christ before he died. He and Anna, a devout woman, was given the perception that Jesus was the Saviour and the Light of the World.

It was a joy to celebrate Candlemas at St Mary's Kington and at St Mary's Gladestry. Rev Sally Welch explained the import of these events. Every one was given a candle, and when aflame we were joining together in this long lasting tradition. Later in the Lady Chapel at Gladestry with candles lit I celebrated with the added touch of a reproduction of William Holman Hunt's famous picture *Light of the World*. The stained glass behind the altar shows Simeon and Anna with the baby Jesus.

Michael Johnson

PS. Just days before the service I had a cataract removed and a lens fitted to my weaker eye. Marvellously the darkness had gone and I could see clearly for the first time in many years.



Gladestry Candlemas

Whitton WI

In January, it was a shame ... for all those who didn't join with Whitton WI to Spice Up 2025! It was a very pleasant evening, and warming to see old and new faces from our community and other WIs, all enjoying a night of tasty (not too hot) Asian food, with perfect entertainment provided by Gerry and Lorraine.

We had authentic snacks and starters supplied by Khesh from Cascob, followed by a Massaman curry with jasmine rice from Ying of the Castle Inn, Knucklas. We were then, of course, 'full up'... but still managed delicious tropical fruits and cheesecake. We are not the generation who take pictures of our food – otherwise we would certainly be making others jealous.

At the end of this enjoyable evening, we laughed at the comments in the *Fortune* Cookies which gave *guidance*... it was indeed *fortunate* that some people were *guided* to clearing away and washing up! Many thanks to all who made this event happen.

In February, Owen Griffkin, Community Rail Officer, spoke to our meeting about the Heart of Wales Line (HOWL). He gave an enthusiastic presentation about the history and establishment of the railway that runs from Shrewsbury to Swansea. He provided anecdotes and well-researched facts, but there was no need to be interested in trains! He explained his role and the aims for the future. We had a light supper whilst continuing to talk, and it was interesting to hear how HOWL want locals to pass on their recollections of using the trains, the stations and any events linked to the railway. If you have any information which could be captured for the future, please contact Owen Griffkin email owen.griffkin@heart-of-wales.co.uk

After our AGM on **Tuesday 4th March**, Tanith Fox from the Flower Box in Knighton, will be speaking to us. Non-members are welcome at all our meetings. Tel. 01547 560 350 if you are interested in knowing more.

Gladestry WI

Several members enjoyed our first meeting of 2025. After chatting about our Christmas exploits we settled down to the serious business of playing 'Beetle'; much laughter and a bit of cheating led to several games being played! A delicious bring and share supper followed. The competition, 'My favourite coaster', was won by Vera and the draw by Jess.

If you would like to know more about our friendly, welcoming WI please contact either Viv on 01544 370 464 or Marlene on 01544 370 646. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7pm in Gladestry Village Hall.



First gathering of 2025 for Gladestry WI

Thank you Llangunllo

Back in May 2024 John Hanna celebrated his 80th birthday when we welcomed friends and neighbours to our home for tea in the garden. A surprise present was a voucher from all at Llangunllo for afternoon tea at the Lakeside Café in Llandrindod. With so many things happening this year we didn't get round to using it till now. So we cheered up a wet February afternoon with a wonderful tea, with views of the lake and served by very attentive staff, all in all a lovely occasion. Thank you very much to all our friends in Llangunllo.



Rosemary and John with a delicious afternoon tea

Whitton WI



*Whitton WI members
at the February meeting with
Owen Griffkin*

What's on in the East Radnor Ministry Area?



KCS
Directed by Simon Harper
Organ - Simon Peberdy
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Saturday 22 March

St. Andrew's Presteigne
7.30pm

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For more information: Rachael Beech
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Presteigne

4th Wednesday of the month, 1pm - 3pm

Llangunllo Community Events

Singing Group at the Village Hall

1st Wednesday of the Month. Between 7.30 and 9pm.
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Table Tennis at the Village Hall

Every Thursday, between 5 and 6.30pm. £2. All welcome

Please see our Llangunllo Village Website:
www.llangunllo.co.uk

Knighton Thursday Drop-in Eatery

A drop-in lunch of soup, sandwich
and cake is available between
midday and 1.30pm each Thursday
at the Knighton Community
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Book and Jigsaw Swap

There is a book and jigsaw swap
at Walton Hall on the second
Wednesday of every month, from
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New players are very welcome.

Kay Taylor - kay.tony@me.com
Jane Stirling - jane@janestirling.co.uk

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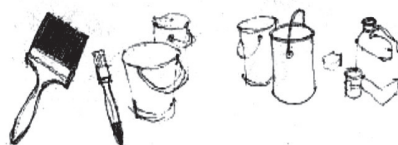
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What's on in the East Radnor Ministry Area?

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Grace and Dorothy of Wings of Change will be available in the library on Fridays between 1.30 & 5pm and will be offering short presentations:

Friday 14th, 2-3pm & 3.30-4.30pm: Broaching the subject of death, getting one's affairs in order

Friday 21st, 2-3pm & 3.30-4.30pm: What happens to the body as we die and after death?

Friday 28th, 2-3pm & 3.30-4.30pm: Funeral choices and what are our obligations after a death?

No need to book, please come along when you can.

More information at the library and
wingsofchange24@gmail.com

Roger Curtis

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Welsh Hymns 5 - 'Dros Gymry'n Gwlad' ('For Wales Our Land')

Dros Gymru'n gwlad, O! Dad dyrchafwn gri,
Y winllan wen a roed i'n gofal ni;
D'amddiffyn cryf a'i cadwo'n ffyddlon byth,
A boed i'r gwir a'r glân gael ynddi nyth;
Er mwyn dy Fab a'i prynodd iddo'i hun,
O! crea hi yn Gymru ar dy lun.

O! deued dydd pan fo awelon Duw
Yn chwythu eto dros ein herwau gwyw,
A'r crindir cras dan ras cawodydd nef
Yn erddi Crist, yn ffrwythlon iddo Ef;
A'n heniaith fwyn â gorfoleddus hoen
Yn seinio fry haeddiannau'r Addfwyn Oen

For Wales our land O Father hear our prayer,
This blessed vineyard granted to our care;
May you protect her always faithfully,
And prosper here all truth and purity;
For your Son's sake who bought us with His blood,
O make our Wales in your own image Lord.

O come the day when o'er our barren land
Reviving winds blow sent from God's own hand,
As grace pours down on parched and arid sand
We will bear fruit for Christ by his command,
Come with one voice and gentle vigour sing
The virtues of our gentle Lamb and King.



Often called the second National Anthem of Wales, '*Dros Gymry'n Gwlad*' was written as a poem by Lewis Valentine (1893 – 1986).

He was one of seven children, the son of a quarryman from North Wales and educated at Bangor, where he excelled in Hebrew. He served as an army medic during the First World War, and was poisoned by gas, losing his sight for 3 months. After the War ended, he was ordained as a Baptist Minister and served congregations in North Wales. His concern for the survival of the Welsh language and his growing pacifism led him to found Plaid Cymru with others in 1924. By the mid-1930s he felt that the time had come to take action for his principles, and an opportunity arose to do so when the Defence Ministry announced plans to establish an RAF training camp at Porth Neigwl on the Llŷn Peninsula, the 'bombing school'. He and two others, Saunders Lewis and D. J. Williams were subsequently imprisoned for setting alight one of the sheds, an action intended to protest against the camp. The prison sentence provoked outrage in Wales and he returned to his congregation in Llandudno as a hero.

He wrote the hymn as a poem and set it to Finlandia by John Sibelius. The hymn has many themes about Wales, love, the call to holiness, the wish for Wales to be an example of goodness and the importance of the language. The life of Lewis Valentine also illustrates an important period of Welsh history, showing the importance of education, the impact of World War I, the prophetic role of the Baptist Minister and the birth of Plaid Cymru.

There is a beautiful version of the hymn with John Eifion a Côr Pen-y-bertth www.youtube.com/watch?v=0NnBSJalXgA

Further reading: Dictionary of Welsh Biography, the Well-digger website

Ruth Forrester

Llanfair Waterdine WI

For our February meeting (7th), we had a craft session led by one of our members followed by a very enjoyable "Bring and Share" supper.

In March (7th) we will be having a talk on the BBC, social and supper.

Our April meeting will be a presentation entitled "*Midwifery and Mosquitoes*", again followed by a social and supper.

Our meetings are on the first Friday of the month in the Everest Hall, Llanfair Waterdine. 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

Defibrillator at Heyope Church

A defibrillator has recently been installed at St. David's Church, Heyope.

Clearer signage to indicate its placement in the church porch and night-lighting to quickly access it are being attended to.

Before long it is intended to mount a course to familiarise local people with its best use, should the need arise in this rather remote area which lacks connectivity with some mobile networks.

Money raised at last year's social event around Pentrusco is paying for this.

Gladestry Active Community Fund Revival

The Gladestry Active Community Fund (GACF) which has been dormant for a few years, is being revived under an enthusiastic new committee, and is now inviting applications for seed funding for projects and events in the Gladestry community area. The GACF has previously supported a range of activities including theatre productions, music workshops and oral history projects. The ideas and energy come from the community, but the Fund can make them happen! For more information or an initial chat, contact Kate Bull (Chair) on 01544 370 637 / rosebull@btinternet.com

Welsh Words



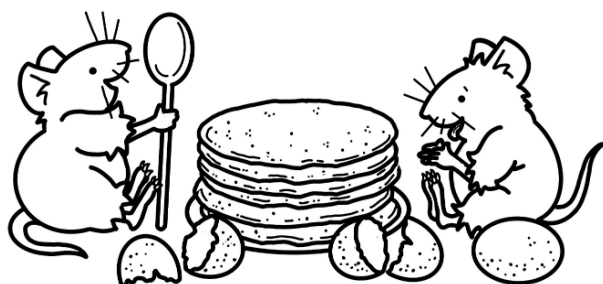
mis Mawrth – March;

dydd Mawrth – Tuesday (derived from Mars, the Roman god of war)

dydd Mawrth Ynyd – Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)

gwneud ynyd – to have a feast – as in eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, the day before the fast of Lent begins.

dydd Mercher y Lludw – Ash Wednesday



Stowe & Stanage WI

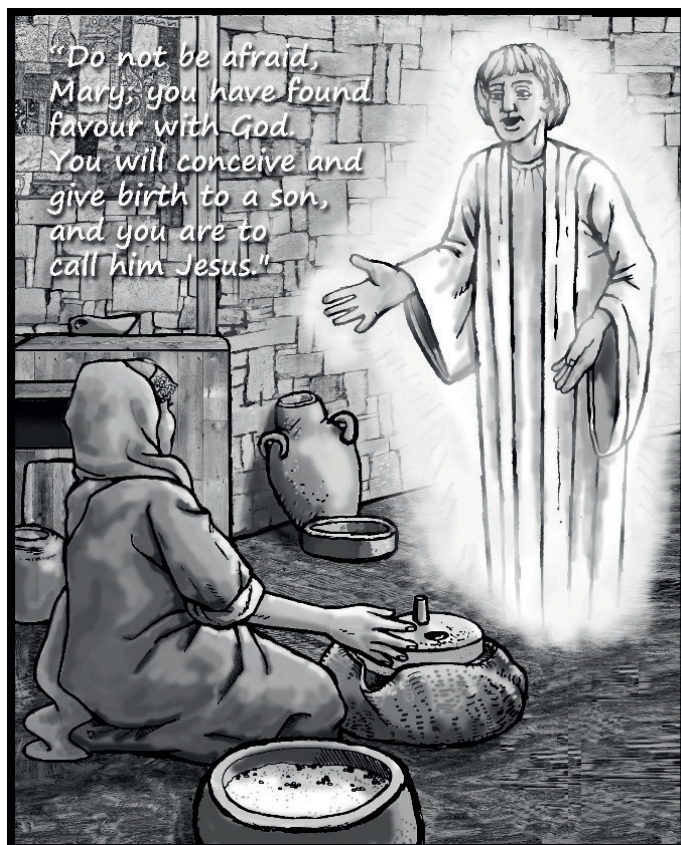
With lots to discuss, our February members' meeting was a very busy occasion, we disseminated news from both a local level and from the Powys Radnor Federation Women's Institute (PRFWI).

Our members were pleased to hear that on the **Friday 4th April 2025**, PRFWI will be bringing their second 'WI'nted Fashion Show to The Knighton and District Community Centre 7pm, £8.00 entrance fee, all welcome.

After the formalities of our meeting, we settled to listen to a very engaging and informative presentation given by Keith, a practitioner from ASSIST Powys on the support/equipment available for those who are D/deaf or have a hearing loss. Keith introduced us to all of the aids available which can be used with or without hearing aids. Our members were pleased to have been made aware of an organisation that they had not known about, and were reassured to find that there is such help available within Powys.

Contact details: en.powys.gov.uk/sensorysupport

If you would like to come along to a WI meeting or you want to know more about our very supportive, friendly and welcoming WI, please email: sswisecretary24@gmail.com



David Roberts Poem

Good and Cheap Advice!

How to Live Long!

A many plans be now devised,
To make a helthy race;
To make our frames robust and strong,
And lengthen out our days.

Some say fresh air and exercise,
Be most important things;
To make a linnew, lissom man
For peasant and for Kings.

Afore yer brekfast, take a walk,
And helth you'll shurely find;
Be moderate, don't eat too much,
And keep a happy mind.

Take manly exercise and larn,
To fence, and box, and jump,
This be the only shure safe way
To keep yer well and plump

Dont be afeared to play a game
'Twill make yer hard as bricks;
There's wondrous virtue nowadays
In golf and hockey sticks!

See to yer rest; don't sleep too long,
Lie down upon yer right;
And keep yer winder open wide,
'Twill make yer fresh and bright.

A mornin' bath's a noble thing
If followed by a rub;
And if no bath-room be at hand,
Well, use the washing tub.

Eat little meat with lots ov fat,
Be always of good cheer;
From harmful strong intoxicants
Endeavour to steer clear.

Be moderate in everything,
Be patient; worry not;
Dont grunt, but always try to be
Contented with your lot.

If these conditions you'll fulfil,
Yer may be well and strong;
'Twill save yer lots o doctor's bills,
And help yer to live long.

Knucklas Notes

As I write, recent weeks and months seem to have been characterised by damp, cold and dismal weather with progress through the alphabet of named storms. But the Spring Equinox is due on March 20th so we can hope for better weather, gardening, lambs in the fields and spring flowers in the gardens and beside our local lanes.

Knucklas has continued to be quite active with a very successful Burns' Night at our Community Centre in late January and clubs and societies meeting up again after the Christmas/New Year holidays.

Knucklas Baptist Chapel has been meeting for worship at (usually) fortnightly intervals, with weekly Friday coffee mornings, and Heyope Parish Church has a service and 'social' planned for Friday 28th February, starting at 7pm.

The Christian season of Lent starts with Ash Wednesday on March 5th.

Quite a few trees around here have been felled or cut back recently, and not only beside the railway.

With this magazine struggling a bit at present (see p.21 of February edition) it is always appreciated when recipients pay their (£15) subscription promptly.

Congratulations to Doreen McKinnon of Chapel Close on reaching the grand old age of 99 years.

So sorry to learn of the passing of Gordon Heath of Glyndwr, at a comparatively young age. He was seen around until recently although struggling with his health for some time. With every sympathy to Deborah and to his family and friends.

Robert Forbath

Knighton & Presteigne Leg Club

We are most grateful to everyone who supported our Christmas raffle, which has given our funds a much-needed boost. We are grateful to the NHS for allowing the district nurses to service the clinics, and to our local Co-op for providing tea, coffee and biscuits, but we are a self-funding branch of the national charity, The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation, which means we need to fundraise to meet room hire for our Thursday treatment clinic, and for any extra equipment the nurses may require. Any donations are gratefully received.

Please note we now operate on a drop-in basis, so there is no need to make an appointment. **Thursdays 9.30am to 11.30am** in the Reynolds Room, Knighton Community Centre.

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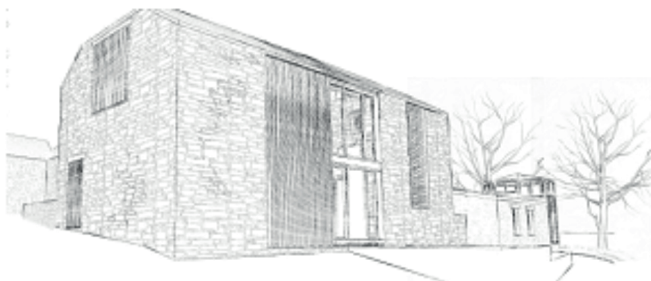
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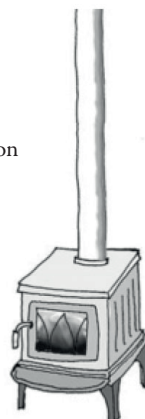
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Samaritans Welcoming New Volunteers

SAMARITANS

Powys (Llandrindod Wells)

Charity Number 1165036

Samaritans is a national charity with local branches in Powys and Herefordshire. Samaritans provides emotional support to anyone in distress, struggling to cope or at risk of suicide. We provide our free phone service 24 hours of the day. However, sometimes our callers have to wait too long for us to answer the phone so we are always looking for new volunteers. Powys Samaritans will be running a training course in Llandrindod Wells starting on 23rd March and we have space for more people to take part.

You don't need any previous experience or special skills to become a "listening volunteer" because the training is comprehensive. After training you will work with an experienced mentor who will stay with you as you develop the experience and confidence to take your own calls. Even when fully trained you will never work on your own so you will always have someone else with you for mutual support.

Although the work is sometimes distressing, it can also be very rewarding when you are able to make a real difference to someone who felt unable to talk about their most private feelings to anyone else.



Samaritans phones waiting for the start of a shift

The Powys Samaritans phones and training suite are in our own premises near the centre of Llandrindod Wells in the High Street above our shop. Unless you live nearby you will probably need the use of a car. The charity has its own car park and pays your mileage or other travelling expenses.

If you think this is something you could do, or want to know more, google "samaritans volunteer" or go to www.samaritans.org/support-us/volunteer/become-samaritans-listening-volunteer/ where you will find more about the role. If you have questions leave your phone number and name on 07907 192 590 and Pauline will call you back, or email recruiting@powyssamaritans.org.uk

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4th March - Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Day

Ever wonder why we eat pancakes just before Lent? The tradition dates back to Anglo-Saxon times, when Christians spent Lent in repentance and severe fasting.

So on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, the church bell would summon them to confession, where they would be 'shriven', or absolved from their sins, which gives us Shrove Tuesday. At home, they would then eat up their last eggs and fat, and making a pancake was the easiest way to do this. For the next 47 days, they pretty well starved themselves.

Pancakes feature in cookery books as far back as 1439, and today's pancake races are in remembrance of a panicked woman back in 1445 in Olney, Buckinghamshire. She was making pancakes when she heard the shriving bell calling her to confession. Afraid she'd be late, she ran to the church in a panic, still in her apron, and still holding the pan.

Flipping pancakes is also centuries old. A poem from Pasquil's Palin in 1619 runs: "And every man and maide doe take their turne, And tosse their Pancakes up for feare they burne."

Some people have noted that the ingredients of pancakes can be used to highlight four significant things about this time of year: eggs stand for creation, flour is the staff of life, while salt keeps things wholesome, and milk stands for purity.

Shrove Tuesday is always 47 days before Easter Sunday and falls between 3rd February and 9th March.

New Radnor Baptist Chapel

9th March - 3pm

Rev. Christobel Hargraves

Easter Sunday - 20th April - 3pm

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Further information from

May Hardwick 01544 350 680.

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Knighton Roman Catholic Church

Service every Sunday
at 11 am

Gravel Baptist Chapel

23rd March - 2.30 pm

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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

2nd March..... Mike Owens

9th March..... Kingsley Duah

16th March..... Baptist Preacher United Service at Victoria Road

23rd March..... Rev Phil Summers Holy Communion (Lunch after service)

30th March..... Vivienne Thomas

6th April..... Rev Sheila Macinally

Baptist Church Services

March

Sun 2nd 11.00am... Worship Service Norton Street, Knighton
6.00pm..... Sunday @ 6 Service Knucklas Chapel

Mon 3rd 7.00pm..... Prayer Space . Community Room, Norton Street, Knighton

Sun 9th 11.00am... Worship Service at Norton Street, Knighton

Sun 16th..... 11.00am... Joint Worship Service Knighton Methodist Church
no service at Norton Street this morning

6.00pm..... Sunday @ 6 Service Knucklas Chapel

Sun 23rd..... 11.00am... Worship Service Norton Street, Knighton

Sun 30th..... 11.00am... Worship Service Knucklas Chapel
no service at Norton Street this morning

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 519 215. 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

Readings for March

2nd March St David

Jeremiah 1. 4-10

Psalms 16. 3, 5-8

1 Thessalonians 2. 2b-12

Matthew 16. 24-27

9th March Lent 1

Deuteronomy 26. 1-11

Psalms 91. 1-11

Romans 10. 8b-13

Luke 4. 1-13

16th March Lent 2

Genesis 15. 1-12, 17, 18

Psalms 27

Philippians 3.17 - 4.1

Luke 13. 31-35

23rd March Lent 3

Isaiah 55. 1-9

Psalms 63. 1-8

1 Corinthians 10. 1-13

Luke 13. 1-9

30th March Mothering Sunday

Exodus 2. 1-10

Psalms 34. 11-20

Colossians 3. 12-17

John 19. 25-27

East Radnor Ministry Area Bible Study Group

**The third Thursday
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Diocesan Prayer

**Our diocesan prayer, which
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*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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Knucklas Community Centre.....		01547 529 007..... www.knucklascommcentre.org.uk
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East Radnor Ministry Area Service Rota March 2025

2nd March – Celebrating St David (Green) Ministry Area Services for St David's Day

9.30am..... St David's, WhittonHoly Communion
2.30pm St David's, Colva.....Holy Communion

5th March – Ash Wednesday (Purple)

10.00am New Radnor Community CentreCeltic Communion
6.00pm St Edward's, Knighton..... Holy Communion with Ashing

7th March – World Day of Prayer

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9th March – Lent 1 (Purple) AS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

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

16th March – Lent 2 (Purple) AS THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

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

23rd March – Lent 3 (Purple) AS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

9.30am..... St David's, WhittonMorning Worship
11am St Peter's, Evancoyd.....Morning Worship
11am St Edward's, Knighton.....Holy Communion
4pm New Radnor Informal Worship @ the Community Centre

30th March – Mothering Sunday (Purple) AS THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

9.30am..... St Edward's, Knighton.....Morning Worship
10am St Mary's, New Radnor.....Holy Communion
3pm St Mary's, GladestryHoly Communion
4pm St Cynllo's, Llangunllo Evening Worship