

CYLCHGRAWN MISOL MONTHLY MAGAZINE

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CYFEILIOG a MAWDDWY.

Dear Friends

I recently spent the day at Coventry Cathedral, I had never been before and I was spurred on to visit by our Lent course two years ago written by Bishop Andy. He featured a statue in the old Cathedral entitled "Reconciliation". I have walked around church and abbey ruins before and have been impressed by their Christian and social history but it didn't prepare me for the ruins of Coventry Cathedral. Even before I found the statue I was looking for I was struck by something, I'm not sure what, but something quite powerful in this open space surrounded by broken walls and windows frames. As I walked around stopping to read and reflect on the prayers in each part of the Cathedral, trying to imagine what it was like on that night in November 1940 when the incendiary bombs fell ripping the city apart, I looked up to one of the window frames to see the sun glistening through small pieces of stained glass. It stopped me in my tracks! These small beautiful coloured pieces determined to stand their ground through all the horrors of war - determined to shine in spite of the horrors that continue today. This place wasn't a ruin - broken and dilapidated, it was alive with prayer and love and hope. That was what I felt as I walked into the Cathedral; the very powerful love and hope that we all have through Jesus our Lord.

We arrived at the right time to share in the daily Litany of Reconciliation before the Altar which held the cross of charred wood, with the words "Father Forgive" on the wall behind, fervently praying for peace and reconciliation in our troubled world today. We were humbled to share the Eucharist with strangers in one of the Chapels in the new Cathedral. I was able to stand and admire the beautiful statue; "Reconciliation" which I thought was going to be the highlight of my visit. But it wasn't. The one thing that I will keep with me always is that sign of hope in those tiny broken pieces of glistening stained glass. For me, the symbol of God's love and forgiveness for us all, shining through the broken glass, overpowered the hatred rife in the world today,

Alleluia, Christ is risen
He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

With every blessing to you and yours

Kathleen



UNDEB Y MAMAU/MOTHERS' UNION

Seventeen members and friends attended the meeting on Thursday 20th April. Mrs. Joyce Price led the service and Mrs. Jocelyn Seagrave read the lesson.

Mrs. Price thanked the Rev. Kathleen for the Lady Day service, and all those who helped with the 50th anniversary celebrations for Ken and Margaret afterwards. A coffee morning and Rainbow Sale will be held at St. Peter's on May 3rd, followed by light lunches. Offers of help would be appreciated. The Cafe Church will resume on the 1st Sunday of the month from May 7th.

Rev. Roland Barnes introduced the guest speaker - Dr. Bob Friedrich, originally from Boston, USA, but now undertaking studies into dementia at Bangor University.

In 1906, Alois Alzheimer first detected the disease named after him. It is not a mental illness, but a disease and although not exclusively found in older people, age is clearly a factor. 45,000 people in Wales alone have been diagnosed with the disease, but the UK is far ahead of other countries in dementia awareness. Dr. Friedrich described ways to raise awareness and become a more dementia-friendly church.

He was thanked by Rev. Roland Barnes, who explained that the Dyfi Valley has been designated a dementia-friendly area. A steering group has been set up, working with the Alzheimer's Society, CAMAD and PAVO.

The tea hostesses were Mrs. Margaret Searson and Mrs. Jocelyn Seagrave. Our final meeting for this session will be on Thursday 18th May.

Margaret Hughes.

The Easter Garden in Church arranged by Mrs. Alice Hughes.



Anyone able to help with the collecting, please contact Mrs Dorothy Foster Edwards (evenings). Your help would be most appreciated for this worthy cause.

Thanks.

Mrs Dorothy Foster Edwards and her son would like to thank everyone for their kindness and cards during Lewis's recent illness

Cawl a Chlonc



Ar Ddydd Iau Mawrth 30ain daethom ynghyd ar gyfer sesiwn arall o 'Cawl a Chlonc' yn Y Llofft Eglwys St Pedr. Pleser o'r mwyaf oedd yn ystod Ymweliad yr Archddiacon â 'n hardal weinidogaeth oedd cael croesawu Archddiacon Andrew a Phillip Davies un o swyddogion newydd yr Esgobaeth atom i gael sgwrs hamddenol dros ginio. Yr un mor bleserus oedd cael dathlu penblwydd un o ffyddloniaid 'Cawl a Chlonc' Mrs Mary Lander ar ddathlu ei phenblwydd arbennig yn 90oed Rydym yn ddiolchgar iawn iddi am ddod a'i chacen benblwydd i rannu gyda ni.

Mae'r sesiynau hyn yn profi'n llwyddiannus iawn o ddod â rhai a ymwelir gartref gan aelodau'r Tîm Bugeiliol, at ei gilydd am bryd ysgafn o fwyd a chael cyfle am 'glonc go iawn. Hoffwn ddiolch i aelodau'r tîm am eu hymroddiad a'u haelioni. Bydd y 'Cawl a Chlonc' nesaf ar Fehefin 1af.

Another session of Cawl A Chlonc was held on Thursady March 30th at St Peter's Church. As this was the day of the Archdeacon's visitation to our Ministry Area it was a great pleasure to have the company of Archdeacon Andrew and Philip Davies, a newly appointed officer in the diocese, for lunch.

It was also a great pleasure to celebrate the 90th birthday of Mrs Mary Lander, of one of our faithful supporters of Cawl a Chlonc. We are very grateful to her for bringing her birthday cake to share with us.

These sessions are proving to be very successful in bringing together those, who are visited at home by members of the pastoral team, to come together for a light lunch and a chat. I am very grateful to the team for their dedication and generosity. The next 'Cawl a Chlonc' will be on June 1st

Jen Evans



THE LADIES FELLOWSHIP.

Muriel welcomed members to the April meeting and led a short service, with Llinos reading the lesson. Ann And Joan are both improving and hope to join us before too long. We have had a new glass container made for the Cruet set on the Alter, this is our contribution to the new renovated Church. Minutes were read and accepted. Final arrangements were made for our trip in May, visiting Llandre and Llanbadarn Churches. Mrs Enid Hoyle was our speaker and told us about her childhood in Lancashire. Born in Richton in a two-up two-down house. Rishton was a cotton town, with mills built on the river banks, which provided transport for the finished cotton. There were clogs and cobbled streets, no phones and outside toilets. At the age of 11 she passes her 11 plus and entered the Grammer School.

Alice expressed her thanks to Enid for such an interesting talk, she also thanked the tea hostesses, Bronwen and Llinos.

Alice Hughes.

Dyddiadur / Diary

Wednesday 10th May 2 – 5pm St Peter's Machynlleth. Meeting with Phil Davies to discuss Mission and Evangelism projects in our churches and MA. All welcome and encouraged to attend.

Thursday 11th May 2.30pm Cemaes Church Room AGM

Wednesday 17th May Dementia Stall Machynlleth.

Monday 22nd May 11 – 4pm Safeguarding Officer's meeting Coed y Brenin Lunch provided.

Tuesday 30th May 1.30 pm People Living with Dementia and Carers Singing Group. Please contact Roland 01650 531 650 for details.

***MACHYNLLETH, LLANWRIN, PENEGOES & CORRIS
GWASANAETHU'R SUL/SUNDAY SERVICES.***

Mai 7 May

8.00 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

Pasg 4 Easter

Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Llanwrin)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Corris)

Bilingual Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Mai 14 May

9.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

2.00 p.m.

Pasg 5 Easter

Morning Worship(Corris)

Christian Aid Week Service (Machynlleth)

Gosber (Darowen)

Mai 21 May

8.00 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

Pasg 6 Easter

Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Bilingual Morning Worship(Llanwrin)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Corris)

Bilingual Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Mai 28 May

9.30 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

Pasg 7 Easter

Y Cymun Bendigaid (Machynlleth)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Corris)

Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Mehefin 4 June Dydd y Pentecost/Day of Pentecost

8.00 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

9.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Llanwrin)

Holy Eucharist/Y Cymun Bendigaid (Corris)

Bilingual Holy Eucharist (Machynlleth)

Holy Eucharist every Wednesday 10 am.

**CEMAES, DAROWEN, MALLWYD & LLANBRYNMAIR
GWASANAETHU'R SUL/SUNDAY SERVICES.**

Mai 7 May

09.45am

14.00yp

11.15am

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Pasg 4 Easter

Cemaes RPB (MP) Baptism

Darowen RPB (MP) AGM

Mallwyd RPB (MP) AGM

Llanbrynmair

Mai 14 May

09.45am

14.00yp

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11.00am

Pasg 5 Easter

Cemaes RPB (E)

Darowen RPB (HW) AGM

Mallwyd

Llanbrynmair RPB (E)

Mai 21 May

09.45am

.....

11.15am

11.00am

Pasg 6 Easter

Cemaes PW

Darowen

Mallwyd PW

Llanbrynmair RPB (E)

Mai 28 May

09.45am

14.00yp

11.15am

.....

Pasg 7 Easter

Cemaes RPB (E) + SW

Darowen RPB (E)

Mallwyd RPB + SW (MP)

Llanbrynmair

Mehefin 4 June

09.45am

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11.15am

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Dydd y Pentecost/Day of Pentecost

Cemaes RPB (E) + SW

Darowen

Mallwyd RPB (E) + SW

Llanbrynmair

Thinking about life, meaning and reality.

Does Christianity have anything to say to us in the 21st century?

Do we have anything to say to Christianity?

We somewhat glibly (and delightedly) state that Jesus turns everything in life on its head. Servant hood becomes the noblest form; we praise, we worship Jesus who rides into Jerusalem; not on a war-horse, but on a donkey! Power is not in the sword, but in opening our arms to allow the sword to pierce us. Waw! Jesus describes it like this:

“The last will be first, and the first last.” (Mt. 20. 16)

Don't sit yourself down at the high end of the table, you might be forced to go and sit at the bottom!

Sounds inspirational, sounds idealistic; but then Jesus gives us a practical demonstration of these principles in action.

“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a businessman who hires labourers to work in his vineyard.” (Mt. 20. 1 – 16)

Sort of OK; but at the end of the day the owner pays the workers who have worked 12 long, hard hours in the heat of the sun, exactly the same as those who only turned up at the last hour, and worked just 1 hour in the cool of the evening. Help! It might sound like heaven for those who rested in the shade all day, I'm not so sure that those who worked from morning until night would be quite so happy.

How do we respond to these strange sayings of Jesus? Will the kingdom of heaven only be populated by people of infinite patience and forbearance – saints indeed? Perhaps this heaven will be a very sparsely populated place! Is Jesus the ultimate socialist, - everyone needs enough to live on; or is there some secret spiritual message here? What do you think?

Join us to discuss these issues and others, in the Penrhos Arms Cemaes at 7pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, starting May 18th.

Rev Roland Barnes



Café Church Continues!



Come and join us

7th May, 4th June, 2nd July

6 pm to 8 pm

Upper Room, St. Peter's Church

We are going to explore St. John's Gospel:

For May 7th -

Please try and read the Gospel of John. Chapters 1 and 2, as we shall be discussing any queries and questions that come up from our reading.

It isn't stodgy! Fun and laughter rings out, with songs, prayer and tea, sandwiches and cake.

What better way to learn about the love of God.

Encourage your friends to join with us.

Any queries contact me, Sandra 01650 521889

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NEWS AROUND MINISTRY AREA.

Holy Trinity Corris

Fundraising Sale at Holy Trinity Corris
Saturday 27th May 10.30 - 1pm.

Church Magazine.

The Church Magazine is your magazine. If you have an appropriate contribution to the magazine we would like to hear from you. You can send it via email or written. Please send/contact me Clive Thomas

Undeb y Mamau, Eglwys St. Pedr
St. Peter's Church Mother's Union



Yn cael ei gynnal
Yn Eglwys St Pedr,
Machynlleth

Being held at
St. Peter's Church,
Machynlleth

Ar Ddydd Mercher,
3ydd Mai 2017
10.30yb - 12.00yp

On Wednesday,
3rd May 2017
10.30am - 12.00noon



Cawl a Brechdanau
ar gael o 12.00yp

Soup and Sandwiches
Available from 12.00noon

Elw tuag at Undeb y Mamau.

All proceeds towards Mother's Union



St Peter's Plodders Walk.

Saturday 14th May

Cwm Rheidol & Lower Falls Circular. 3.5 miles.

A gentle walk through woodland and along the bank of the River Rheidol. There are some particularly fine waterfalls to admire. Leaving St Peters at **09:30 hrs**, we will drive to the Cwm Rheidol Visitors Centre where our walk begins. There is a small cafe serving hot drinks and snacks there, but we shall be stopping for our lunch en route.

Our April mid week walk was accompanied by sunshine and fine weather. The views back to the coast were stunning, with local history all around us, in the form of old silver and lead mines. It reminded us of days gone by when, day to day living was a lot harder. The remnants of these mines were a stark reminder of those distant days.



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