

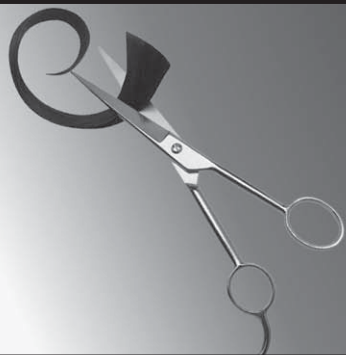
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### Sundays

- 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
- 10.30 am Sung Eucharist (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)
- Matins followed by shortened Eucharist (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)
- Family Worship (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday when applicable – Eucharist included in service or follows it)
- 5.00 pm Evening Prayer
- 6.00 pm Exploring Worship – in Church Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday unless notified otherwise)

### Weekdays

- 8.30 am ~~Morning Prayer (Tue, Wed, Thurs & Fri)~~ Cancelled TFN
- 9.00 am Holy Eucharist (Wed)
- 11.00 am Holy Eucharist (Thurs & major saints' days)
- Holy Eucharist in Welsh (Sat)
- 5.00 pm Evening Prayer (Tue, Wed, Thurs & Fri)

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- 9.00 am Morning Prayer (Sat)
- 11.00 am Open Air Service (Sun from end of May to end of September)
- On the first Sunday of each month, the service is followed by a shortened Eucharist in the church.

The pattern of Sunday and Weekday services sometimes changes. Please check the calendar in each month's magazine and the weekly bulletin.

The Rector is in Holy Trinity church on most Saturday mornings from 11.30 - 12.00 to see parishioners on any matter – for confessions, spiritual guidance, the booking of baptisms or weddings etc.

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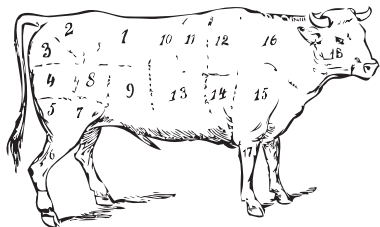
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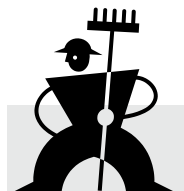
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Saturday, 2 July 2016, 7.30pm

Dydd Sadwrn, 2 Gorffennaf, 2016, 7.30pm

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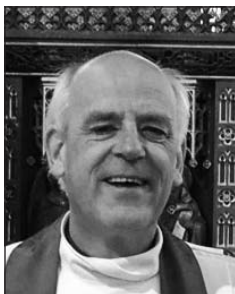


## From the Rectory

There are two jobs I have to do each month that I find especially difficult. One is writing this letter! Andy, our esteemed editor, kindly sends an e-mail to remind me that copy for the next edition of the magazine is due and when I see it I must admit that my heart sinks a little. Having something to say month after month is a challenge to say the least. And when I've chosen the subject the next problem is translating my scattered thoughts into readable and logical prose. It takes me several hours to do this and it can be a frustrating experience as one grapples with language and grammar. In the (nearly) twelve years I have been in the parish of Llandudno I must have written around 140 magazine letters – some better than others! Over the years I have tried to vary the subjects between matters of topical concern and those of church doctrine or practice.

The 'reward' for this effort is when somebody says that what I have written has been of help to them. By the same token it can be very disheartening when someone admits that they haven't even bothered to read what one might have laboured over for several hours.

The other equally challenging monthly task is the choosing of the hymns for the 10.30 am service. This time it is



Norman rather than Andy who sends the e-mails and breathes down my neck! Organists naturally want to plan their music in good time – I understand that. But it doesn't make the task any easier!

Perhaps you have never thought about it – but choosing hymns is a very tricky business. To begin with you can't choose the same one too often; and then you need to pick hymns which fit in with the season, or the theme of the bible readings, and must also take into account that some hymns are more appropriate at one part of the service or another. Then there is the balance to be struck between traditional hymns and modern worship songs not to mention the need to give folk the hymns they like whilst also introducing something new from time to time. When someone complains that they didn't know any particular hymn my usual response is "Well you do know it now!" Of course, there are a number of very helpful publications which list suitable hymns for each Sunday, but each time I sit down to draw up the list there are always many difficult decisions to be made.

Of the two difficult monthly tasks I have mentioned the choosing of hymns is, I think, the more important. Admittedly

hymns are only one element in an act of worship – but they set the tone of the service and can be the difference between a joyful and a tedious experience. A rousing hymn can raise our spirits, a more reflective one can make us profoundly aware of the presence of God. As powerful teaching aids, hymns can deepen our understanding of the faith – they can renew within us a longing for God, penitence for our sins, zeal in our Christian discipleship etc. So hard as it sometimes is, I take this task very seriously.

Perhaps you can help me with both of the tasks I have mentioned. Is there a subject you would like me to write about in future letter? Let me know and I will do my best to cover it when the opportunity arises. Do you have a favourite hymn – perhaps one which we hardly ever seem to sing? Mention it and I will try to include it as soon as is practically possible. Meanwhile as your parish priest I will continue to strive to produce magazine letters and hymn lists to the best of my ability and hopefully to the glory of God.

*Fr. John*

## News and Notices

### Churchyard Committee News

I would like to thank all those of you who have so kindly made donations towards the plants/flowers/trees for our Churchyards. Your donations are very much appreciated so a big “thank you” from the Committee. Anyone who feels they would like to make any sort of donation or contribution please get in touch with William or one of the committee members.

Christine has been photographing all three churchyards each month – and there is always something of interest to photograph. You can see these photographs in the Churchyards Memorial Book that will be available to browse after the 10.30 am Sunday Service from time to time. The next working Party

will be on 15th October.

Terry attended a meeting of the Llandudno in Bloom subcommittee and has given us the following information:-

- Llandudno in Bloom competition will take place in June and we are hoping very much that Holy Trinity Churchyard will be successful again. Judging for this will be from Monday 27th June until Friday 1st July.
- Wales in Bloom will possibly be around 7th July but this has not yet been confirmed.
- Great Britain in Bloom (Gogarth Ward representing Llandudno) will be 12th August. Both St. Tudno's and St. George's will be involved.

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## St. Tudno's Churchyard.

The working party has been busy preparing St. Tudno's for the coming summer season and now we are almost ready. The grass has been cut and strimmed and the approach to the seats will be leveled soon. A branch from one of the Black Pines was resting on a gravestone, but it was decided we should consult a tree specialist before removing the branch, as removal of a branch-previously had led to the flow of a lot of sap which had continued throughout the winter. Terry is waiting news on this.

In March the Committee met to discuss the proposed new Churchyard Trail. This has now been established and William, Christine and Terry are now going to put the final details together which include gravestones, wildlife, viewpoints. Consideration would be given to using QR to supplement information, and the tour would direct people to the Parish Website for additional information. It was agreed that the tour would be restricted to accessible/safe areas, and encourage visitors to stick to the main paths. Disclaimers would be printed prominently. A tour map would be placed in a Display Case, to be mounted in the lychgate, and leaflets would be available in the Church and, possibly, in holders in the lychgate. William agreed to devise a separate leaflet for children. It was agreed that we should ask suitable people to 'road test' the tour ie children/teachers, general visitors, disabled visitors, visitors with mobility

difficulties. We expect the trail to take around half an hour to complete and will include some of the more interesting graves, wild flowers, etc.

## Holy Trinity Churchyard

It has now been decided that the Girl Guides will be planting the large planter. We are grateful for the help they give us and we are sure that they are appreciative of the instruction and tuition William gives them. The two new notice board planters will be filled with plants that Christine is very kindly providing and these will be ready shortly. Christine is hopeful that the Council will provide the compost. Christine and her Mother Peggy are very kindly donating some lavender plants and these will be planted either side of the Mostyn Street entrance to Church.

We are hopeful that discussions will continue with the Council regarding the introduction of lighting to illuminate the tower, and will keep the PCC informed of progress. The introduction of a wildflower area was discussed; Christine suggested that Tim Faulkner be asked to remove the existing turf from the proposed area at the SE corner of the Church.

## St. George's Churchyard

Efforts to contact the owner of the former church have been unsuccessful. We know that the grass there has been sadly neglected. However, we have now arranged for Tim Faulkner to cut the grass on a monthly basis and we are

expecting him to start anytime now. The Committee is doing its best to exercise control of this Churchyard as we know it has been neglected. Jennifer has tried to keep the grounds litter free for a while and has now started to tidy the Garden of Remembrance. This has been a challenge due to the fact that people tend to forget to remove dead flowers and plants, old faded artificial flowers, Christmas wreaths and ornaments – plus of course the weeds that grow between the slabs. However, we feel that the Garden of Remembrance is looking more cared for now and we will try to check on this more regularly.

***Jennifer Fossi***

## **PCC Commissioning**

The new PCC was commissioned during a Eucharist service on 16 May and the Rector presented Churchwardens Geoff Howard and Judith Williams with their staves of office. See cover photograph.

## **Sunday School**

The parish magazine has received a number of charming photographs of the Sunday School's activities. On Trinity Sunday during the confirmation (reported last month), the Sunday School was taught about and enacted the Holy Eucharist. And on Sunday 12 June, the day after the Queen's official birthday, the Sunday School (and others) enjoyed a picnic lunch in the church hall after the 10.00 am service.



*Re-enactment of the Holy Eucharist at Sunday School on Trinity Sunday.*





*Sunday School activities during, and the picnic after, the 10.00 am service at Holy Trinity Church on 12 June celebrating the 90th birthday of Her Majesty the Queen.*





## St. Tudno's Church

Sunday 29th May was the first open air service at St. Tudno's and the weather was beautiful. There was a congregation of 17, seven of whom were attending for the first time. The service was led by Christine, with Friends of St. Tudno's doing the readings and leading the prayers. The Rector had written a reflection on the Gospel reading, which was read in place of a sermon.

The Parish Eucharist for St. Tudno's Day was held in the church on Sunday 5th June at 11.00 am. Seventy five people attended the service and two buses brought members of the congregation and visitors from Holy Trinity. The town was well represented by mayors of Llandudno: Mayor Cllr Carol Marubbi, Mayoress Mrs Alice Banholzer and

Deputy Mayor and Mayoress Cllr and Mrs Francis Davies. The Rector led the service, Norman Rimmer played the keyboard, Holy Trinity choir led the singing and sang an anthem and Friends of St. Tudno's took part in the readings and intercession prayers. The theme of the address was the life of St. Tudno and "taking hold" of Christ. After the service more than 20 people, including some visitors, stayed behind to enjoy picnics in the warm sun and then make the annual Pilgrimage to St. Tudno's Well. The Well was visited with the kind permission of the landowners and the Pilgrims were all marked with a cross and sprinkled with blessed water from the well (avoiding the tadpoles!).

On Saturday 7th June there was the first Compline service of the season at



*Left to right Deputy Mayoress, Deputy Mayor, Mayor and Mayoress.*





*The Pilgrims before setting off for St. Tudno's Well.*

7.30 pm. This was a lovely contemplative service in candlelight with intercession prayers, led by the Rector. There was only a small congregation but it is hoped that more people will take the opportunity to attend these monthly

services during the summer.

Rev'd David Jenkins led the open air service on Sunday 12th June and the theme of the address and readings was forgiveness. It was wonderful to



*Blessings at St. Tudno's Well.*

have our Friends Barbara and Denis Cartwright visiting and Denis played the keyboard for the hymns which included Be still, Here is love and Amazing Grace. The rain just about held off for the duration of the service, which was attended by 22 people.

The church is open every day and open air services continue each Sunday at 11.00 am, with a free taxi departing from Holy Trinity at 10.30 am. On Sunday 3 July the open air service will be followed by a shortened Eucharist in the church. The monthly service of Compline by Candlelight will be on Tuesday 5 July at 7.30 pm and there will be a special afternoon service on Sunday 31 July at 4.00 pm.

We look forward to seeing you at St. Tudno's.

**Shirley Georgeson**  
**Christine Jones**

**Thank you**

Dear friends, I write to say a very big thank you to all who were able to attend my 80th birthday celebrations. I hope you had a good time.

I am delighted to report that my Celebration Appeal for Charities raised the following:

British Heart Foundation	£240
Cancer Research UK	£190
St. David's Hospice	£ 50

A wonderful way to celebrate the big 80, thank you so much,

**Vernon Morris**

**Friends of St. Tudno's Church**

The Friends annual Great Orme walk was held on the evening of Wednesday 25 May and was led by local botany expert Wendy McCarthy. Starting from St. Tudno's we walked to Pink Farm and were surprised by the variety of wild-flowers which could be found along the footpath. These included goat's-beard (or Jack-go-to-bed-at-noon, *Tragopogon pratensis ssp minor*) which opens its yellow flowers only in bright sun in the morning but produces giant dandelion-like seed heads. From Pink Farm we followed the steep footpath down to Marine Drive, with a detour to see the butterworts (*Pinguicula vulgaris*) growing in a damp area. These interesting little plants are insectivorous: tiny insects become stuck on the sticky surface of the slightly cupped leaves and are digested by enzymes produced by the leaves. Further down the path Wendy pointed out some natural hybrids which had formed between the primroses (*Primula vulgaris*) and cowslips (*P. veris*) which grow abundantly there. We continued spotting plants alongside Marine Drive and returned up the road to St. Tudno's after a fascinating evening.

For the last few years the Friends have hosted a concert in St. Tudno's Church during the summer. It is hoped that



*Looking for butterworts during the Friends' walk.*

this year's concert will be by students and staff of the William Matthias Music Centre at Caernarfon. Plans are still being made, so please keep an eye on the weekly Bulletins and the parish website for more details.

The annual Open Day at St. Tudno's will be on Saturday 6 August, from 10.00 am – 5.00 pm and the Friends will be providing refreshments and giving church tours. Draft versions of the churchyard tours for adult and for children, prepared by the Churchyards Committee, will be available and it is hoped that visitors will test them out and give their comments. We do hope that members of the parish will come along and try the tours, too.

**Christine Jones**

## **150 Club**

The May draw was held during the coffee morning held on the 8th June 2016 by Father John.

The prize fund stood at £150 and the following three winning numbers were drawn:

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|----|----------------------|-----|
| 1. | Number 016           |     |
|    | Stephanie Searle     | £90 |
| 2. | Number 014           |     |
|    | Geoffrey Howard      | £40 |
| 3. | Number 044           |     |
|    | Andy & Maggie Leitch | £20 |

Congratulations to all the winners.

An updated list of all the winners are always on display on the notice boards

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## *Holy Baptism*

*May 19th: Daniel Ian Anthony Bryan*

## *The Departed*

*May 4th: Jack Leonard Lathy aged 92  
Service at Colwyn Bay Crematorium*

*May 13th: Martin Turner aged 62  
Service at Colwyn Bay Crematorium*

## Attendance Figures for May 2016

May 1st	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	11 + 1
Easter 6	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	78
May 5th	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist	23
Ascension Day	7.30 pm	Holy Eucharist	7
		Other weekday Eucharists	15
May 8th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	14 + 2
Easter 7	10.30 am	Choral Matins	74
		Shortened Eucharist	20
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	3
		Other weekday Eucharists	26
May 15th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	18 + 1
Pentecost	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	74
	6.00 pm	Christian Aid Service	
		Other weekday Eucharists	24

May 22nd	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	12
Trinity Sunday	10.30 am	Patronal Sung Eucharist with Confirmation.	119
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	5
		Other Weekday Eucharists	23
May 29th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	15
Trinity I	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	65
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	3
May 31st		Visitation of the BVM	2

## Calendar for July 2016

Sat 2nd	7.30 pm	"Songs for Summer" - a concert by the Montiverdi Singers	
Sun 3rd		<b>St. Thomas the Apostle</b>	
		Services as usual for the 1st Sunday plus:	
	12.30 pm	Holy Baptism	
Tue 5th	10.30 am	<i>Julian Meditation Group at Stella Maris</i>	
	7.30 pm	Compline by Candlelight at St. Tudno's	
Sun 10th		<b>Trinity 7 - Sea Sunday</b>	
		Services at the usual times for the 2nd Sunday plus:	
	12.30 pm	Holy Baptism	
		The 10.30 am service will be a Family Service for Sea Sunday	
		There is no Exploring Worship this week	
Mon 11th	5.00 pm	<i>Bangor Synod at Llandygai</i>	
Sun 17th		<b>Trinity 8</b>	
		Services as usual for the 3rd Sunday	
Sat 23rd		<b>Mary Magdalene</b> (transferred from 22nd)	
	11.00 am	Yr Offeren	
Sun 24th		<b>Trinity 9</b>	
		Services as usual for the 4th Sunday	
Wed 27th		<b>St. James the Apostle</b> (transferred from 25th)	
	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist	
Thur 28th		Christian Aid Coffee Morning	
Sat 30th	12.30 pm	Wedding of Scott Mcleod & Kate Sutton	

**Sun 31st****Trinity 10**

12.30 pm

Services at the usual times for the 5th Sunday plus:  
 Holy Baptism  
 The 10.30 am Sung Eucharist will include the  
 Baptism of Beatrix Lewis and renewal of marriage  
 vows by Gwilym & Sandra Davies

Please note: 'Men who Sing' Male Voice Choir Concerts take  
 place every Sunday at 8.00 pm and Showplayers' Concerts at  
 8.00 pm every Wednesday - both at Holy Trinity.

## Sunday Rota

**Sunday 3 July**

Reader	Stan Whittaker
Sidespersons	Linda Blundell Sandra Davies Ron Illidge Pat Riddler
Eucharistic Ministers	John Riddler Stan Whittaker

**Sunday 24 July**

Reader	Sandra Davies
Sidespersons	Linda Blundell Sandra Davies Ron Illidge Angela Pritchard
Eucharistic Ministers	John Riddler Stan Whittaker

**Sunday 10 July**

Readers	Gaye Stythe-Jones Ray Stythe-Jones
Sidespersons	Wendy C-Stewart Joyce Crosby Cath Lloyd Vernon Morris
E' Minister	Marion Heald

**Sunday 31 July**

Reader	Norman Rimmer
Sidespersons	Wendy C-Stewart Joyce Crosby Pat Riddler Doug Pritchard
Eucharistic Ministers	Cath Lloyd Angela Pritchard

**Sunday 17 July**

Reader	Vernon Morris
Sidespersons	William Maidlow Annabel Jones Barbara Yates Doug Pritchard
Eucharistic Ministers	Angela Pritchard Cath Lloyd

**Sunday 7 Aug**

Reader	Marion Heald
Sidespersons	Marion Heald Sandra Davies Barbara Yates Cath Lloyd
Eucharistic Ministers	Stan Whittaker Cath Lloyd



# The Great War – Nov - Dec 1916

## William Roberts

53834, Private, 1st Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Killed in action, 2 November 1916, aged 20

Buried at Berks Cemetery Extension, Ploegsteert, Belgium

Born at Bangor in 1896, William Roberts was the son of Griffith and Elizabeth Ann Roberts. The Census for Wales records the family including “Willie” (5) and his two sisters living at 2 Pen-y-Ffrith, Ormes Head, Llandudno; Griffith Roberts was a joiner. Ten years later, the family was living at the nearby 5 Pen-y-Ffrith. William was described as an errand boy for a chemist. Griffith Roberts was not recorded at that address, Elizabeth being described as head of the family and married. (A record in the same census for Aberfan has a Griffith Roberts [b. Bangor 1869, married] boarding in the town, employed as a colliery repairer.)

William Roberts’ service record no longer exists and it is necessary to construct a likely scenario from the fragments of information that are available. His original regimental number with the Royal Welsh Fusiliers was 2342, suggesting an enlistment of 1914 into the Territorial Force. Because he enlisted at Caernarfon, then it was most likely

to have been the 6th (Carnarvonshire and Anglesey) Battalion. The Territorial Force accepted recruits from the age of 17 though those under age for overseas service would have been destined for the secondary battalions, in this case the 2/6th RWF.

William Roberts transferred from the Territorial Force to the Regular Army in mid-1916, possibly on compulsion as a result of Army Order 204 where members of the TF were deemed to have agreed to serve overseas. On arrival at an infantry base depot in France, circa August 1916, William still retained his old TF number but this was changed to 53834 and he was posted to the 1st Battalion RWF. He was killed in action on 2 November 1916, aged 20 and buried at Berks Cemetery Extension, Ploegsteert, Belgium. The plot in which he is buried is contemporary with the date of death and not a reburial. There was no major action at that time in that area.

### *Known memorials:*

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Eglwys Ebenezer Lloyd Street, Llandudno*
- *Siloh a Hyfrydle, Llandudno*

## John Edward Pritchard

5806, Private, 10th Royal Welsh  
Fusiliers

Killed in action, 13 November 1916,  
aged 20

No known grave

Born in Llandudno in 1895, John Edward Pritchard was the son of George W and Elizabeth Pritchard. The 1901 Census for Wales records the family of nine living at 2 Pen-y-Buarth, Great Orme, Llandudno; George Pritchard was described as a plasterer and painter and John Edward (5) as at school. Elizabeth Pritchard died in 1910. The Census for the following year records the widowed George Pritchard with six of his children living at the same address; John Edward is described as a butcher's apprentice.

Now described as a boatman, John Edward joined the Royal Welsh Fusiliers on 1 September 1914. Although the press at the time indicated that he had joined "Kitchener's New Army", his service record indicates that he originally joined as a special reservist in the Army Reserve for six years' service. A given age of 18 years and 11 months appears to have been amended to 19 years and 11 months – the former age was the correct one. He gave his father, George Pritchard of 5 Wyddfyrd Road, Great Orme's Head as his next of kin. He joined at Llandudno, was given the regimental number of 5806 and initially

sent to the 3rd (Reserve) Battalion at Wrexham.

On 24 October 1914, John was posted to the 12th Battalion RWF. At that time the 12th RWF was a Service Battalion forming at Wrexham, part of Kitchener's 4th New Army (K4) and it moved to Tenby in February 1915. Because of the need to reinforce existing Battalions, K4 was broken up in April 1915 and its battalions became Reserve Battalions, recruiting and training men and subalterns for the frontline battalions. The 12th (Reserve) Battalion moved to Kinmel Park on 10 April 1915.

Almost a year later, at the end of March 1916, John Edward Pritchard disembarked in France, initially headed for the 25th Infantry Base Depot at Étaples. He was posted to the 10th (Service) Battalion RWF, joining it in April 1916. He was killed in action on 13 November 1916, aged 20, probably during an attack on Serre whilst advancing through waste-deep mud against uncut German Wire; the battalion suffered 289 casualties that day. He has no known grave.

### *Known memorials:*

- *Thiepval Memorial, Somme, France*
- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*

## William Robert Hughes

14540, Serjeant, 11th Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Killed in action, 20 November 1916, aged 32

Buried at Karasouli Military Cemetery, Polykastro, Greece

William Robert Hughes was born at Llanbeblig near Caernarvon in 1884. His early history remains obscure but there is an entry in the 1901 Census for Wales recording a Willie R Hughes (16) residing with a cousin at Llanbeblig.

What is known is that William Robert Hughes married Frances Mary Williams (b.c 1894) in 1912. The Census for the previous year records Frances (17) living with her widowed mother at 3 Council Street, Llandudno.

Enlisting at Wrexham, William joined the 11th (Service) Battalion of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers when it formed at Wrexham in November 1914. The battalion moved south and eventually ended up at Aldershot in June 1915. It landed in France in early September 1915 but at the end of the following month it embarked at Marseilles for Salonika, arriving there in November 1915. William Robert Hughes was killed in action on 20 November 1916 in Serbia aged 32. He is buried at Karasouli Military Cemetery, Polykastro, Greece.

William Robert Hughes was a serjeant at the time of his death. Since his serv-

ice record no longer exists, it is not known when he was promoted but from the medal roll, it appears that he was already a serjeant when he landed in France in September 1915. It seems probable that he had served in the Army before the Great War.

*Known memorials:*

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Llanrhos Parish War Memorial, All Saints' Church, Deganwy*

## Percy A Thomas

37760, Private, 1st Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Died of illness, 29 November 1916, aged 21

Buried at Varennes Military Cemetery, France

The son of John and Ada Thomas, Percy Thomas was born in Hyde, Cheshire in 1895. The Census for 1901 records the family living at 4 Lumn Street, Hyde; John Thomas was an ale and porter bottler. Ten years later, the family, less John Thomas, resided at the same address and Percy (15) was described as a clerk in a hat shop. At the time the census was taken, John Thomas, described as a mineral water manufacturer, was a boarder at "Breton House", Lloyd Street, Llandudno.

It appears that the whole family moved

to Llandudno for on 11 December 1915, Percy Thomas was enlisted into the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He gave his address as "Woodleigh", Trinity Street, Llandudno. His regimental number was 37760 and he was put on the strength of the 21st (Reserve) Battalion RWF which was a training battalion at Kinmel Park near Rhyl, being mobilised on 29 January 1916. After infantry training, he was posted to the 10th (Service) Battalion RWF on 27 August 1916 but this was changed on 7 September to the 1st Battalion whilst he was at the 5th Infantry Base Depot at Rouen. He joined the Battalion the following day. Percy Thomas was admitted to 11 Casualty Clearing Station at Varennes on 29 November 1916 suffering from pneumonia and died the same day aged 21. He was buried at Varennes Military Cemetery.

*Known memorials:*

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Church, Llandudno*
- *Llanrhos Parish War Memorial, All Saints' Church, Deganwy*
- *Hyde War Memorial, Town Hall, Hyde*

## **Edward James**

52202, Quartermaster Sergeant,  
Royal Engineers

Accidentally killed, 3 December 1916,  
aged 51

Buried at Great Orme's Head  
Cemetery

Edward James is not remembered on any of the Llandudno memorials. However, his death in 1916 attracted more column inches of the local press than the vast majority of the local lads.

A professional soldier, he was born at Gorey, Co Wexford in 1865. He was a joiner by trade and served a six year apprenticeship before joining the Royal Engineers. He married Kathleen Helena Bourne at Aghold in 1895 and both spent some time in India, two of their sons being born there in 1897 and 1899. The Census for 1911 records the family living at Gillingham in Kent.

By the time the First World War had started, Edward James had served his time but he re-enlisted as a sapper number 52202 on 18 September 1914 with a stated age of 47 (he was actually 49) and was promoted to acting quartermaster sergeant the following day. He was attached to the 64th and the 129th Field Companies and was promoted to acting warrant officer class 1 on 1 April 1915. However, he was reverted to quartermaster sergeant on 16 September 1915 having been found fit only for home service duty. He was transferred to No 6 Depot Company at Conwy and attached to the RE Training Centre, Deganwy.

Edward James died in Llandudno Cottage Hospital on 3 December 1916 aged 51 as a result of injuries sustained after being hit by a bus on 25 Novem-

ber at Deganwy whilst off duty. He was buried at the Great Orme's Head Cemetery. Edward James is not remem-

bered on the Gorey War Memorial but he is mentioned in the book *Ireland's Memorial Records 1914-1918*.

## The Parish Church of St.Stanislawa, ...

### ... Bishop and Martyr, and Blessed Karolina Kózkówny

When passing through Gdansk last month I had the opportunity to visit this beautiful modern church in the village of Leżno, just outside the city. According to the parish's website there is evidence of habitation in the area since the Neolithic period but the first record of the village of Leżno is from 1338. The present parish was founded in 1982 and the following year a plot of land for a church was donated on perpetual lease by the local state farm. The church design was prepared by the architects Krystyna and Tomasz Lew in collaboration with designer Bogusław Hanuszkiewicz and the church was



built by the villagers. The church was consecrated on November 8, 1992 by Archbishop Tadeusz Gocłowski. (Information from <http://parafia-lezno.pl/cms/glowne/historia> )

The striking bronze and terracotta colour building stands beside the village lily pond, where its reflection can be seen in the still water. Inside, the church is clad with pale wood and the large windows at the east end of the church flood it with light. The altar is at the west end of the church and on the wall behind it is a mural of the martyrdom







*The martyrdom of Bishop Stanisław.*

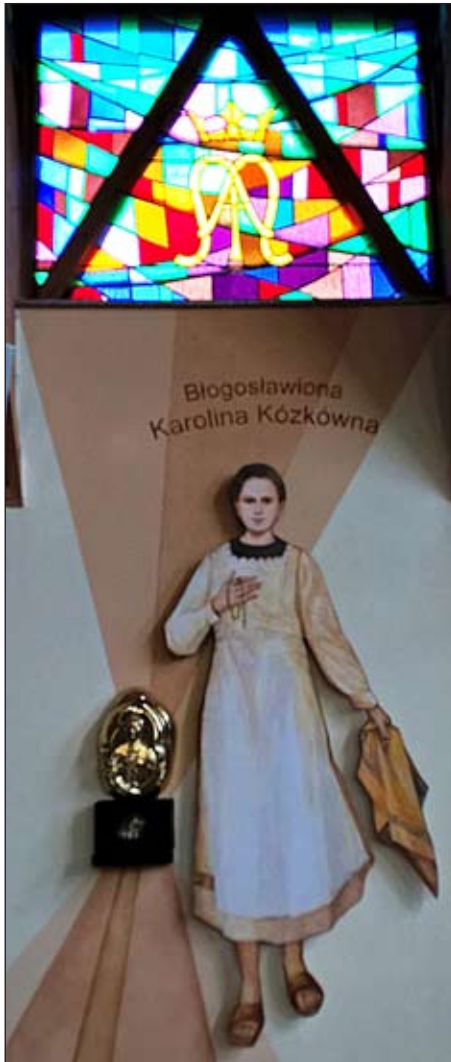
of Bishop Stanisław.

There is little documented information on Bishop Stanisław but, according to tradition, Stanisław (Stanislaus) was born into a noble family in southern Poland in the 11th century and became one of the first native Polish bishops. He was a noted preacher, sought after as a spiritual advisor and had some influence in politics. He was instrumental in re-establishing the see of Gniezno, which was necessary before Duke Bolesław

could be crowned as king in 1076. Stanisław then encouraged King Bolesław to establish Benedictine monasteries to aid the spread of Christianity in Poland. However, Bishop and King subsequently fell out, initially over a land dispute and then when the Bishop criticised the King's

cruelty and morality. The Bishop excommunicated the King and there are some suggestions that the Bishop was involved in a plot by nobles to dethrone the king. The King accused the Bishop of treason and ordered him to be killed without trial but when his men refused to touch the Bishop the King killed the Bishop himself, in 1079, while he was celebrating Mass. The murder resulted in outrage and led to the dethronement of the King. (Information from Wikipedia and [www.catholic.org/saints](http://www.catholic.org/saints))





*The mural of Karolina Kózkówny.*

The second dedication of the church is to the Blessed Martyr Karolina Kózkówny. Karolina was a very devout young lady from southern Poland who served in her local church, taught younger children and loved praying the rosary. In 1914 the Russian army began capturing cities in Poland during

the First World War and there were reports of the soldiers pillaging and raping. In November of that year one soldier forced Karolina from the family home to the forest and attempted to rape her; she fought him off and he attacked her with his bayonet. Karolina escaped into the swamps but died of her wounds, aged just 16 years. Karolina is now regarded as an example of purity and courage. (Information from Wikipedia and [www.catholicsaints.info](http://www.catholicsaints.info) ) There is a mural of Karolina on the north west wall of the church, beneath one of the vibrant stained glass windows.

**Christine Jones**





## GRANDPARENTS

July 26<sup>th</sup> is the feast day of St Joachim and St Ann – and you are probably asking, who are they? Legend says that these are the names of Jesus' grandparents, his mother's father and mother. If these are their real names or not it doesn't matter: what does matter is that Mary's parents brought her up to be a very special person; someone who was calm in a crisis and loved her family. And this comes from being part of a close-knit, loving family.



July 26<sup>th</sup> is the 'feast of grandparents'. It reminds all grandparents of their responsibility for generations to come; to make family traditions and history live.

But the feast has a meaning for the younger family members as well. It reminds younger people that older people's wealth of experience is to be celebrated and appreciated. And we do, don't we?

## IT'S ALL RELATIVE

All these people in the Bible are related. Do you know how? Answers at the bottom of the page.

1. Mary and Martha (Luke, chapter 10)
2. Saul and Jonathon (1 Samuel, chapter 14)
3. Naomi and Ruth (Ruth, chapter 1)
4. Lois, Eunice and Timothy (2 Timothy, chapter 1)
5. Joseph and Benjamin (Genesis, chapter 42)
6. Aquila and Priscilla (Acts, chapter 18)
7. Simon Peter and Andrew (Mathew, chapter 4)




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**Why should Elijah's parents be remembered by all business people?**

Because they made a prophet.

**How long did Cain hate his brother?**

As long as he was Abel.

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Answers: 1.sisters 2.father and son  
 3.mother-in-law and daughter-in-law  
 4. grandmother, mother and son  
 5.brothers 6.husband and wife  
 7.brothers



# Dementia – Planning Ahead



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We live in an ageing population and unfortunately Dementia and Alzheimer's are on the increase.

Symptoms of dementia will become worse over time. That's why it's important to get an early diagnosis and start making plans for the future as soon as possible.

Once you have had an opportunity to adjust to your diagnosis, take time to ensure that all of your affairs are in order. It's important to make sure that all your essential documents can be found easily.

## Powers of Attorney

There may be a time in the future when your symptoms mean you are no longer able to give consent. You may wish to give a relative you trust the power to make decisions about you if you are unable to. This is known as power of attorney.

There are three different types of power of attorney:

- Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) for matters relating to property and financial affairs
- LPA for matters relating to the person's welfare (including their health)

Enduring Power of Attorney (EPA). EPAs made before October 1 2007 are still valid and can only be registered if the person is losing, or has lost, their mental capacity, and must be registered by the attorney

The person making a power of attorney for property and affairs can

register the LPA while they are able to make decisions for themselves. A personal welfare LPA may only be registered when a person has lost capacity. Separate powers of attorney can be made for either LPA, or both LPAs can be appointed to the same attorney.

## Wills

A will lets you decide what happens to your assets (your money, property and possessions) after your death. It's the best way of ensuring your wishes are carried out the way you want when you die.

If you die without making a will, the government will decide what happens to your assets.

When writing your will, it should include:

- who you want to benefit from your will
- who should look after any children aged under 18
- who is going to sort out your estate and carry out your wishes after your death (your executor)
- what happens if the people you want to benefit die before you

You should keep your will safe and tell your executor where it is.

## Trusts

If you have property or savings, you might set up a trust. This will ensure things are managed the way you have chosen, now and in the future.

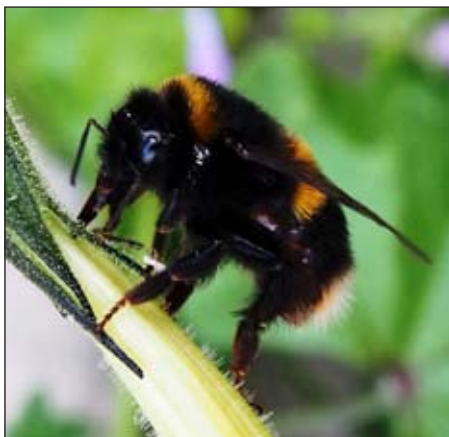
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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

## Churchyards in June

At Holy Trinity the large trough facing Mostyn Street, planted by the Guides, was starting to fill out as the plants grew and was looking beautifully colourful. The roses opposite the west door started to flower and the two new planters around the bases of the large notice boards were planted up by Bryn Euryn Nursery, making a welcome addition to the flowers around the church. On the north of the church, the half barrel was also full of colour and bumblebees were busy feeding on the tobacco plants and the mallows. These



*Nectar-robbing bumblebee at Holy Trinity.*



*Trough at Holy Trinity.*



*Pyramidal Orchid at St. Tudno's.*



*Quaking grass at St. Tudno's.*



*Buttercups at St. George's.*

included tree bumblebees (*Bombus hypnorum*) and buff tailed bumblebees (*B. terrestris*) but some of the latter were engaged in “nectar robbing” the tobacco plants. Buff tailed bumblebees have short tongues and so can find it difficult to take nectar from flowers with long tubes, like the tobacco plants. This species of bumblebee has solved the problem by biting through the base of the flower tube to reach the nectar from outside the flower. Unfortunately for the flower, this means that the bees do not help with pollination.

At St. George's, Jennifer has done a splendid job in tidying up the Memorial Garden and around it the geraniums, pelargoniums and marigolds provided

bright splashes of colour. In the grass, buttercups, white clover, daisies and speedwells attracted insects.

At St. Tudno's the dominant colour of wild flowers was the gold of buttercups, bird's-foot trefoil and common rock-roses. Looking more closely amongst the grass blue speedwells and red clovers could be found, while the grasses themselves included the beautiful, delicate quaking grass shaking its flowers in the slightest breeze. Just before this magazine went to press the pyramidal orchids started to come into flower in the eastern part of the churchyard, encouraged by the management policy of infrequent grass cutting.

**Christine Jones**



*Memorial Garden at St. George's.*



## **The Bishop's Ministry Fund contribution for 2016 is £75000**

This sum of money or "quotia" (formerly the "Parish Share") is paid by the parish contributing to the costs of clergy stipends across the diocese.

If you have not already and are a payer of income tax or capital gains tax, please consider revising your method of regular giving so the Parish can more-easily pay its dues in the following way: please declare regular giving and donations as 'Gift Aid' so HM Customs and Revenue might refund to us the tax you paid on earning your gift.

If you make a donation of £10, the Parish receives an extra £2.50 at no cost to you.

Please contact Stan Whittaker, the Gift Aid Secretary. (Tel: 596796)



## **Coffee Time**

**Cryptics (*thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright*).**

All concerning your summer holiday

1. Good place for the Rector to visit? (4)
2. Are women allowed here? (4,2,3)
3. Go here on the motorway with a French friend. (5)
4. Eric's resort. (9)
5. Two vehicles on either side of main road. (7)
6. Cornwall or Wales? (7 or 3,4)
7. Pa's upset at health resort. (3)
8. European residing in very pleasant Italian city. (6)
9. You pay extra in part of this vehicle. (5)
10. Sounds like you stare right out to sea. (4)

Results for June

1. Misread
2. Mantle
3. Manicure
4. Magnetic
5. Mashed
6. Marines
7. Mould
8. Might
9. Moderate
10. Middle



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