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- 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
10.30 am Sung Eucharist (1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays)
Matins followed by shortened Eucharist (2nd Sunday)
6.00 pm Exploring Worship – in Church Hall (2nd Sunday unless notified otherwise)

Weekdays

- 9.00 am Holy Eucharist (Wed)
11.00 am Holy Eucharist (Thurs & major saints' days)
Holy Eucharist in Welsh (Sat)

St. Tudno's Church, Great Orme

- 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.

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INTERREGNUM LATEST

To avoid any uncertainty, please consult the monthly calendar on page 8 which highlights all the services scheduled to be held at Holy Trinity and St. Tudno's this month. Consult the weekly bulletins for the very latest situation.

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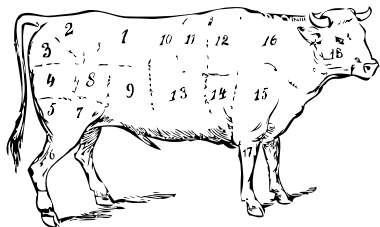
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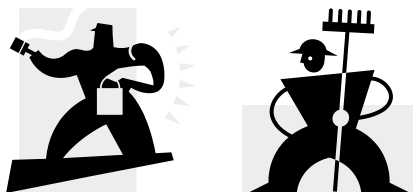
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Calendar for May 2018

Llandudno Keswick Bible Week (LKBW) 1-4 May at Lighthouse Community

Tue 1st	Philip and James, Evangelists (Transferred from 30 April)	
	10.00 am	Holy Eucharist (Note nonstandard time)
	7.30 pm	LKBW (see above)
Wed 2nd	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
	10.30 am	LKBW
	7.30 pm	LKBW
Thurs 3rd	10.30 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael prayers for healing
	10.30 am	LKBW
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	7.30 pm	LKBW
Fri 4th	10.30 am	LKBW
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice
Extravaganza Weekend Sat 5th to Mon 7th		
Sat 5th	11.00 am	Yr Offeren (Holy Eucharist in Welsh)
Sun 6th	Sixth Sunday of Easter – Rogation Sunday	<i>1st Sunday in May</i>
	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
		No Junior Church today
	12.30 pm	Holy Baptism at St. Tudno's
	3.15 pm	Induction of the Ven Mary Stallard as Archdeacon of Bangor at Bangor Cathedral
Mon 7th		No handbell practice tonight
Tue 8th	10.00 am	Cytûn Julian Group at Stella Maris
Wed 9th	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning inc 150 Club Draw
Thurs 10th	Ascension Day	
	8.00 am	Ascension Day Service at St. Tudno's
	10.00 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael meeting
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
	7.30 pm	Holy Eucharist
Fri 11th	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice
Sat 12th	11.00 am	Yr Offeren

All services/activities will take part in Holy Trinity Church/Church Hall unless indicated otherwise. Entries in grey are organised by others and are printed for information only.



Christian Aid Week		
Sun 13th	Seventh Sunday of Easter	<i>2nd Sunday in May</i>
	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.30 am	Sung Matins followed by Shortened Eucharist
	10.30 am	Junior Church in Church Hall
	6.00 pm	Christian Aid Service at Gloddaeth United Church
Mon 14th	2.30 pm	Mothers' Union meeting. Open meeting. Mrs Barbara



		Lawson-Reay on the May Queens.
	6.30 pm	Handbell ringing practice
Wed 16th	Matthias, Apostle (transferred from 14 May)	
	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning inc 150 Club Draw
Thurs 17th	10.30 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael prayers for healing
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist
Fri 18th	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice
Sat 19th	11.00 am	Yr Offeren
Sun 20th	Whit Sunday – The Day of Pentecost	<i>3rd Sunday in May</i>
	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
	10.30 am	Junior Church in Church Hall
	11.00 am	Open Air Service for Pentecost at St. Tudno's.
Mon 21st	6.30 pm	Handbell ringing practice
Tue 22nd		Parish Fellowship Outing to Cemlyn
Wed 23rd	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
Thurs 24th	10.30 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael prayers for healing
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist
Fri 25th	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice
Sat 26th	10.00 am	Spring working party at St. Tudno's
	11.00 am	Yr Offeren
Sun 27th	Trinity Sunday – Patronal Festival	<i>4th Sunday in May</i>
	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
	10.30 am	Junior Church in Church Hall
	11.00 am	Open Air Service at St. Tudno's
Mon 28th	6.30 pm	Handbell ringing practice
Wed 30th	Visit of Mary to Elizabeth (transferred from 31 May)	
	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning
Thurs 31st	Corpus Christi, Thanksgiving for the Eucharist	
	10.30 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael prayers for healing
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist
Fri 1st June	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice
Sat 2nd	11.00 am	Yr Offeren
Sun 3rd	First Sunday after Trinity	<i>1st Sunday in June</i>
	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
		No Junior Church today
	11.00 am	Open Air Service at St. Tudno's followed by Shortened Eucharist
	6.00 pm	Induction of the Revd Andrew Sully as Ministry Area Leader of Llandudno and the Ven Mary Stallard as Associate Vicar



Special Interregnum Arrangements

Governance

The parish is under the care of Canon Robert Townsend (Area Dean). The churchwardens aided by their deputies are in charge of day to day matters.

Pastoral Emergencies

Contact the Revd Noel Carter of the Aberconwy Mission Area (01492 339521).

House Communions

Contact a warden who will arrange this for you.

Sacramental Ministries (Anointing of the Sick, Confession etc)

Either speak to a priest after a service, or ask a warden to arrange this for you.

Baptisms, Weddings, etc

Make enquiries with the churchwardens who will consult the Area Dean.

Funerals in Church

Funeral directors contact the wardens who will liaise with the Area Dean.

News and Notices

The Induction of the New Incumbents

It has been announced that our new incumbents are to be inducted on 3 June 2018 at 6.00 pm in Holy Trinity Church. The Revd Andrew Sully will be inducted as the Ministry Team Leader of Llandudno and his wife, the Ven Mary Stallard, will be inducted as Associate Vicar.

It is hoped that as many parishioners as possible will be able to attend this important occasion.

After the induction service, there will be light refreshments in the Church Hall. If you would like to join our new

incumbents, please can you let Geoff or Judith know by 25 May.

Please also note that Mary Stallard will be inducted as the Archdeacon of Bangor at a service in Bangor Cathedral on 6 May at 3.15 pm.

Llandudno Victorian Extravaganza

It is that time again! Saturday 5 May has become one of our main fundraising days and we need all the help we can get!

Please can you spend two hours to help us on the day, either in the Church

Hall or stewarding inside Holy Trinity. Terry also needs help on all three days, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, with the car park.

Please let Judith know what help you can give by 1 May.

Judith Williams

Norman and Anne's 50th

Congratulations to our Director of Music Norman Rimmer and his wife Anne who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary at this time. Parishioners were able to share the occasion with Norman and Anne at a reception after the 10.30 am service in Holy Trinity on Sunday 15 April.



Photographs this page: Palm Sunday procession at Holy Trinity Church.



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Norman writes:

“Our thanks to all members of the congregation who stayed behind for the celebration on Sunday. It had taken an enormous amount of time and energy by so many people to prepare the food and we really were so grateful that the whole thing worked so well. We received over thirty cards and messages of goodwill from all over the country and the warmth and well-wishes of so many of you said so much to us. Our best wishes to you all and we promise to think about you when we are on the cruise!

“See you all on Extravaganza Sunday with the usual outgoing music!”

See the cover photograph.

Mothers' Union

Our Mother's Union branch met on Monday afternoon, 9th April in the Church Hall. It was an open meeting and we were delighted to welcome friends and visitors. Maggie and Andy had gone to some considerable trouble to make the afternoon such a memorable one for us.

Maggie welcomed us all to the meeting and conducted a special service for Lady Day. Jennifer and Sandra read the lessons, Lynn read the Psalm and Angela read the very moving Intercessions.

Andy gave us a really interesting talk on his flying career. His father had been in the RAF and Andy got the flying bug

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Easter flowers at Holy Trinity



whilst visiting his family on holiday in both Cyprus and Aden. At school he was a member of the Air Cadets and learnt how to glide and how to fly light aeroplanes. He joined the RAF at the college at Cranwell in 1970. During his career he flew Vulcan bombers and instructed navigators on low-level flying. His last posting was to RAF Valley where he was the Unit Test Pilot flying the Hawk. Angela gave the vote of thanks to both Andy and Maggie.

It was Andy's birthday and typical of Maggie, she prepared a wonderful afternoon tea for us complete with chocolate birthday cake, macaroons and *bara brith*.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 14th May when Mrs Barbara Lawson-Reay will give us a talk entitled "May Queens".

Jennifer Fossi



Cytûn Llandudno Act of Witness outside Holy Trinity Church on Good Friday.

Parish Fellowship

We began our Spring Programme on 30th January with our Area Dean Robert Townsend leading us in a Eucharist in the memorial Chapel. This was followed by our Annual General Meeting in the hall. The official business was completed and we then enjoyed refreshments and a brief review of what was to come in the following meetings.

Our first speaker, on 30 January was Vicky Macdonald with a talk entitled "First Plunge to the Last Porcupine" – a really thought-provoking title! Vicky is well known to several of the group and it was great to hear her speak to us about the history of the Deganwy Bathing Pool. Some of us knew of its existence but for others it came as a bit of a surprise just how large a development it was. It opened 31 July 1934 – the first plunge! It was filled

with 800,000 gallons of sea water that was filtered to make it safe. There was a Grand Opening on 23 August 1934 attended by local dignitaries and the public. It measured 220 feet long and 110 feet wide and at its deepest was 10 feet and shallowest 2 feet. There were 1,000 lockers, a restaurant, a laundry, outdoor speakers and lights. There was also a 5-metre-high diving board that met international standards. There were grand plans to build a large, high quality hotel too, but this never actually happened. The development ran successfully for many years and included several attractions including a small zoo – hence the mention of the Porcupine which is believed to have escaped before being recaptured and taken to Colwyn Bay Zoo in the 1960s. In its heyday, the lido hosted many popular events including beauty contests, in addition to being a very popular attraction with both local residents and visitors alike. Following the death of Arthur Brown, the man responsible for building the pool, in 1965, it fell into disrepair and became derelict. Eventually, the land was sold and now the Deganwy Beach Villas estate and Traeth Melin houses and bungalows occupy the site. A fascinating glimpse into the history of the area.

On 6th February, Vernon organised some fun quizzes for us as we did not have a visiting speaker. These afternoons always bring a lot of humour to our meetings as we compete in teams – not terribly seriously of course!

Our speaker for 13 February was Wendy Raffles. Wendy kept us all enthralled with her own special brand of poetry. Some of her poems were hilarious whilst others were more sombre – giving us time to reflect and remember certain events in our own lives. The afternoon passed really quickly – we said we could have listened to her nostalgic and amusing recitations for much longer. As Easter was early this year, we continued in our own special way with delicious pancakes! We could not let Shrove Tuesday pass without them!

The speaker for 20 February needed no introduction to us as it was Councillor Carol Marrubi. Carol is a great favourite of ours whom we invited back following her visit during our Autumn Programme. Carol provided us with updates on several local initiatives and reminded us how successful Llandudno had been in the "In Bloom" competitions last year. Carol has a wealth of interesting stories to tell and also gave us an insight into how hard volunteers, such as herself, work on our behalf. We always look forward to hearing from her and I'm sure we will be inviting her back again in the future.

Tuesday, 27th February saw the area covered in snow so, unfortunately, our meeting was cancelled as we thought it was potentially too dangerous to expect members to venture out in it.

On 6 March we celebrated St. David's Day and one of our prayers was the one specially written by Dr Barry Morgan,



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Archbishop of Wales. Our speaker was one of our newer members, Robert Pearce. Since Robert joined us our singing has improved greatly! We really appreciate him accompanying our hymns – “Thank you Robert, it makes such a difference!” Robert’s talk was called Reminiscences and Reflections and he enthralled us all with his tales about different times during his very interesting life so far. He showed us an original newspaper from 1947 – only four pages long due to rationing of paper still being in operation following World War 2. He also showed us “part” of his old school hymn book. Apparently, the boys used to share a few pages with anyone who had lost theirs in order to keep out of trouble! Robert is a great linguist, speaking several languages but admitted that he found Welsh really nerve wracking as a new cleric when he first moved to Wales. He is very widely travelled and had

several mementos which he showed to us. He also admitted to being keen on railways – this appears to be a theme with our clergy!

What should have been our final meeting on Tuesday, 13 March was in fact our penultimate meeting! Following our short service, we all had great fun decorating Easter bonnets! With help from several friends, we all managed to finish up looking a bit ridiculous for a group photograph! A lot of creativity was thoroughly enjoyed as we painstakingly glued rabbits, chicks and lots of ribbons and stickers to our hats. There was lots of laughter and banter as we each tried to create the “Perfect” bonnet.

As we had missed a meeting due to the snowy weather, it was decided to hold a final meeting on 20 March. We held our usual short service which was followed by a quiz, organised by Vernon and a very enjoyable party where everyone enjoyed Hot Cross Buns and Simnel Cake.

This programme, organised once again by Vernon, has been really interesting and great fun. I would like to thank Vernon for all the work that he does for the Parish Fellowship and also Marion, who is our treasurer, and also organises all the refreshments with help from several other members. The Parish Fellowship members are a lovely group who come to share an afternoon consisting of a short service followed by a talk from a visiting speaker and then a cup of tea and a chat – what better

way is there to spend an afternoon! If you would like to join us, we will be starting our Autumn programme on Tuesday, 23 October.

Our day out this year is to Cemlyn on Anglesey on **Tuesday 22 May**. We are driving to Cemlyn to the North Wales Wildlife Trust site where we hope to see the Turns nesting and other woodland creatures. We are stopping for lunch at the Black Lion nearby, with afternoon tea at Red Wharf Bay before returning home. During our Autumn Programme, we had a talk from one of the wardens and thought it would be an interesting place to visit. If you would like to join us, please speak to either Vernon, Marion or myself, everyone will be very welcome.

I’m sure that Vernon is already busy planning our Autumn Programme – details to follow.

Vicky Ford

St. Tudno’s Church

The Easter Vigil service was held at St. Tudno’s at 5.30 am on Easter Day, when 35 people gathered outside the church by the light of a full moon. The new Paschal Candle was lit from a fire and everyone processed into the dark church, where light from the Paschal candle was passed from hand to hand and Canon Robert Townsend, who led the service, sang the beautiful Exsultet. After the vigil readings the church was lit while Ray Stythe-Jones played a fanfare on the keyboard and Stephanie rang the bell. The service continued with renewal of Baptismal vows and the water blessed at the font had been brought back from Ffynnon Fair (St. Mary’s Well) at Aberdaron by the Friends of St. Tudno’s on their pilgrimage there last summer (the water had been in the freezer since then!). This wonderful service culminated with the first Eucharist of Easter. The Friends of St. Tudno’s cooked bacon baps and made hot drinks and many in the con-



Service of Light and Shadows at St. Tudno’s on 28 March.



The lighted Paschal Candle at St. Tudno's on Easter Sunday.

gregation took their breakfast outside to enjoy the beautiful sunrise.

The service on Sunday 29 April will be Stations of the Resurrection at 11.00 am, led by the Friends of St. Tudno's. Weather permitting, the service will include a prayer walk around the churchyard and hot drinks and cakes will be served afterwards.

St. Tudno's is open every day and the summer season of services begins in May. On Thursday 10 May there will be a short service for Ascension Day at 8.00 am. The first of the Open Air Services will at Pentecost, on Sunday 20 May at 11.00 am and the Open Air Services will then continue at 11.00 am each Sunday. For these services a free taxi will depart from Holy Trinity at 10.30 am and if the weather is bad services will be held in the church. On

Sunday 3 June the Open Air Service will be followed by a shortened Eucharist in the church.



Breakfast is served.



Easter Sunday at St. Tudno's.

St. Tudno's Day is on Tuesday 5 June and this will be celebrated with a Pilgrimage walk from Holy Trinity to St. Tudno's and the St. Tudno's Day Eucharist. The Pilgrimage will start with a short act of worship at Holy Trinity at 10.00 am and anyone who is unable to take part in the walk is welcome to attend this. From Holy Trinity we will walk along the Prom, climb up to the Camera Obscura and then continue over the Orme to St. Tudno's, visiting St. Tudno's Well by kind permission of the landowners. The Eucharist will be at 12.30 pm and we hope you will be able to join in celebration of the patron saint of our church and our town. You might like to bring a picnic to eat after the service; drinks will be provided.

**Christine Jones
Shirley Georgeson**

150 Club Report

The draw for March was held during the coffee morning on the 11th April 2018.

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

1st	No 98	
	Chris & Iris Forbury	£90
2nd	No 09	
	Gwilym & Sandra Davies	£40
3rd	No 14	
	Revd John Nice	£20

We would like to congratulate all the winners. Since the club was started, we have now paid out £7720 in prize money.

An updated list of all the winners will

be displayed on the notice boards in the Church hall and inside the main Church entrance.

The next draw will take place on Wednesday, 9th May 2018 during the coffee morning about 11.00 am.

Should you want more details of the 150 Club, you can find forms at the back of the Church or in the hall.

I again thank everyone for your continuing support in this project?

Terry Dewar (Promoter)

Friends of St. Tudno's Church

The Friends were busy at Easter, preparing for the Easter Vigil and cooking breakfast after the service.

The Friends' spring working party at St. Tudno's will be on Saturday 26 May, beginning at 10.00 am. We would appreciate the help of some able-bodied people for the more active jobs: setting out the benches; raking the cut grass; and, particularly, lowering and raising the heavy flagpole so that we can fit a new rope. There are also plenty of less physical jobs which are equally important: picking up litter; cleaning the church, brasses and glassware; and making cups of tea and coffee – refreshments will be provided. The Friends have planned a series of events for the summer, if you would like to know more or are interested in joining us, please contact me.

Christine Jones

Help Needed in Our Churchyards

Holy Trinity Churchyard

As readers of the Magazine will know, the troughs have featured prominently in these reports since their introduction. In addition to the large planter, maintained by the Guides, and the two notice board planters, maintained for us by Bryn Eurn Nursery, currently we have seven troughs at the west end of the Church. We do hope that members of the Church enjoy the colourful addition to the Churchyard, and we have received many favourable comments from members of the public, and from

those using the car park. In addition our displays also feature prominently in the In Bloom events which are such an important part of summer in Llandudno.

However....and this brings me to my main point, we have reached a stage where we desperately need your help to maintain the troughs, and the standards we set ourselves. Maintaining seven troughs is demanding for our dedicated, but small, band of trough gardeners. Wendy Campbell-Stewart won't mind me mentioning that the challenge of keeping up with dead head-

ing, weeding, watering, and replenishing the plants is often difficult to maintain,

So....we would now like to ask members of the Church, **and** their friends, to adopt one of the seven troughs, maintaining the plants, replacing them as necessary, and so contributing to keeping our troughs in the condition we have come to expect. Do speak to Wendy if you feel you can help. It really is 'non-bending gardening' for anyone worried that the knees, the back or whatever, are not up to gardening. The troughs were designed to ensure a trowel is all that is required, at a height convenient for all. I am grateful to those who have already expressed an interest in adopting a trough, it is a scheme which is ideal for a pair, though looking after a trough is equally manageable for individuals. The essence is colour, but the choice of plants is yours. The Church will provide potting compost. As we enter the bedding plant seasons, please get in touch with Wendy, or myself. We need your help. Now!

St. Tudno's Churchyard

Our appeal here is of a different nature, but very important in our maintenance cycle at St. Tudno's. Twice a year we have the grass cut by Tim, our contractor. In order to encourage the wild flowers we need to remove the grass cuttings, which we do by raking, we have even decided that this can lead to a St. Tudno's condition which we call CRD (Compulsive Raking Disorder). This occurs when the situation reaches

Mastermind proportions, 'I've started so I'll finish...on a lighter note the selection of *bara brith*, cake, and other assorted treats are a definite bonus, along with the company, the views and knowing that the raking contributes to an essential part of the maintenance of the Churchyard. Saturday 26th May is the date for your diary, starting at 10.00 am. Please see Christine, or myself for further details.

St. George's Churchyard

Our appeal for St. George's Churchyard is for help for a specific project. Jennifer Fossi does a wonderful job caring for the Memorial Garden, and I'm sure you'll all join me in wishing Jenny a full recovery after her knee operation, so our appeal for St. George's is for a working party to tackle the former rock garden area just inside the Rectory Lane entrance. This is a specific task which we very much hope will add to the attraction of the Churchyard. If you haven't been up to St. George's recently, as you will see from Christine's photographs, the Churchyard has been looking particularly pretty this Spring.

We think we are very lucky to have three such contrasting Churchyards, however we really do need your help. So if you feel you can contribute to any, or all, of the work involved, please do get in touch with me, or any member of the Churchyards Committee, Christine, Terry, Jennifer, Wendy or Eira. We appreciate your support immensely.

William Maidlow

Christian Aid Week – Vilia's story

Thanks to the lessons she learnt from her mother, Vilia feels well rounded, strong and alive. But sometimes strength isn't enough. Sometimes you need someone else in your corner too.

Vilia and her family lived in Port-au-Prince when the earthquake hit. Vilia was on her way home when she heard people running and shouting. She saw wires fall and houses crumble. The streets were confusing and terrifying. She couldn't even recognise her home or neighbourhood. As she searched for her home and for her mother, she had to step over bodies lying on the ground.

Vilia never found her mother. Her mum was an incredibly strong woman, but strength alone wasn't enough to save her from the earthquake. Vilia never got to see her mother again, and still doesn't know how she died. It's still a deeply painful source of sadness for her.

Bereaved and homeless, Vilia went back to her hometown with her husband and seven children. But life was a struggle, and she had nowhere safe to stay.

Christian Aid's partner KORAL saw how dire Vilia's situation was, and reached out to help her. They built her a new home, safe and strong enough to stand up to natural disasters. Vilia will never forget her mother, but our help has allowed her to move on from the other things she lost.

The new house made Vilia incredibly happy, but it's done more than that. It's been a safe haven for dozens of people when they needed it most.

On that terrifying night when Hurricane Matthew hit, Vilia's neighbours quickly realised that her house was the only one in the area sturdy enough to cope with the hurricane. One by one, they fled to her house and she welcomed them in. As the storm raged on, she shared food and a safe shelter for several days.

54 people sheltered safely from the hurricane in Vilia's house. That night, she potentially saved 54 lives.

Despite the ferocity of the hurricane, her house lost only one roof panel and wasn't damaged in any other way. Many other homes in the area were totally destroyed.

Vilia's crops and livestock were swept away, but KORAL helped her with a water filter and seeds for beans, sweet potatoes, yams and plantain. This meant Vilia could start to rebuild with crops that help soil retention, helping to protect her crops in the future. Not long after Hurricane Matthew, another tragedy struck and Vilia's husband passed away. This time, KORAL gave her the cash she urgently needed to keep sending her children to school.

During Hurricane Matthew, Vilia and

her house were at the heart of the community, and it's the same in good times. She's the president of her marching band, which plays music using basic drums and other instruments at weddings, funerals and during communal farming. But they do more than play music: as a group of marginalised people, they pool their resources, forming something between a credit union and a community insurance policy. They work on each other's land and help out when someone is sick or dies.

Vilia is incredibly grateful for the help she's received, and she's used it to help others. But she knows there are still many others in her neighbourhood who are struggling. She wishes we could help them too.

Could you give this Christian Aid Week to help more people like Vilia?

Christian Aid Week brings tens of thousands of Christians together to achieve incredible things with some of the poorest people in the world. We need you to join us so we can do more, and make sure that none of Vilia's neighbours have to fear the next hurricane. If you raise £210 this Christian Aid Week, you could train a local builder in Haiti to build homes as sturdy as Vilia's. That would give more of her neighbours a safe place to weather the next disaster, and a fighting chance to build a better life.

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Vilia and her sons. (Photo – Christian Aid)

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The Departed

*April 18th: Walter Borland aged 91
Service in Holy Trinity Church followed by private
committal at Llânrhos Lawn Cemetery*

Attendance Figures for March 2018

		Eucharists to March 3rd	25
March 4th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	15
Lent 3	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	88
		Other weekday Eucharists	29
March 11th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	14
Lent 4	10.30 am	Family Communion	95 + 16
Mothering Sunday	6.00 pm	Exploring Worship	11
		Other weekday Eucharists	25
March 18th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	4
Lent 5	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	108
Passion Sunday			
		Other Weekday Eucharists	18
March 25th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	11
Palm Sunday	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	80 + 10
		Holy Week Eucharists	
Monday	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist	11
Tuesday	7.30 pm	Table Eucharist	16
Wednesday	9.00 am	Holy Eucharist	9
Maundy	7.30 pm	Holy Eucharist and Vigil	46
Thursday	10.00 pm	Compline	8
Good Friday	2.00 pm	Final Hour Liturgy	44

The Great War – 1920

John Roberts

659157, Private, Labour Corps
Formerly 25953, 17th Royal Welsh
Fusiliers

*Died of illness after exposure to poison
gas, 17 February 1920, aged 35
Buried at Llanrhos Churchyard*

John Roberts was born on 24 May
1884 at Llandudno. He was the son

of Enoch Roberts, a stonemason, and
his wife Mary Roberts (née Thomas).
When John was baptised the following
year, the family's address was entered
"Tan-yr-Ogo" in the register. John ini-
tially attended St. Beuno's School but
in 1891, he transferred to St. George's
National School, the family's address
being 16 Jubilee Street. The Census of
Wales for 1901 records the family living

at 7 Jubilee Street – Enoch Roberts was
a bricklayer at the gasworks and John
was a mason's labourer. Eight children
were recorded; Ann, Lewis, Ivan (or
Evan), John, Jennie, Richard, Robert and
Owen. In 1906, John Roberts married
Annie Webb and the Census of 1911
records the couple and a son, Richard
Roberts (b 1909), living at 26 King's
Road, Llandudno – Robert worked as
a labourer for the Llandudno Urban
District Council.

John Roberts' service record no longer
exists but the best evidence has it
that he joined the newly-forming 17th
(Service) Battalion of the Royal Welsh
Fusiliers at Llandudno at the end of
April 1915. His regimental number was
25953. The battalion became part of
the 113th Brigade of the 38th (Welsh)
Division. John disembarked with his
Battalion in France on 4 December
1915. John received treatment for
dental caries in August 1916 in Septem-
ber 1917 at No 4 Stationary Hospital,
Arques. On 26 April 1918 he received a
gunshot wound to his lower extremity
near Bouzincourt and was evacuated to
No 3 Casualty Clearing Station. On 15
July 1918, he was a victim of a mustard
gas shell and was evacuated to No 3
Casualty Clearing Station. On recover-
ing, probably as late as September
1918 he was transferred to the 540th
Company of the Labour Corps. This
was an employment company stationed
at Prees Heath, Shropshire. His new
regimental number was 659157. He was
discharged on 17 April 1919.

John Roberts died on 17 February 1920
aged 35 at the Plas Tudno Auxiliary
Hospital, Llandudno of mitral valve
disease and pneumonia. His address
at the time was 26 King's Road, Llan-
dudno. John's death was reported by his
sister Ann. He was buried at Llanrhos
Churchyard. He is officially commemo-
rated with his Royal Welsh Fusiliers
details because the Labour Corps was
not seen as a particularly heroic corps.

The birth index for Conway records
the following births of children with
a surname of Roberts and a mother's
maiden name of Webb: Jane E Roberts
(1911-1912), George Roberts (1913-?),
Sarah Blodwen Roberts (1914-1999),
Lillian Roberts (1917-?) and John Rob-
erts (1920-?). Assuming that these are
the children of John and Mary Roberts,
then it would appear that John Roberts
was on leave at home in 1916. A local
newspaper reporting the death of John
Roberts said that he left a widow and
four children.

On a date unknown, Annie Rob-
erts returned to her home town of
Wednesbury, Staffordshire. The 1939
register records Annie Roberts (b 10
April 1883) and Richard Roberts (b 5
January 1909) living at 19 Moor Street,
Wednesbury.

Known memorials:

- Llandudno Roll of Honour
- Llandudno War Memorial
- Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church
- Ebeneser Chapel, Llandudno

Robert Thomas Jones

162656, Private 2nd Class, Royal Air Force

Accidentally killed after discharge, 19 April 1920, aged 29

Buried at Llanrhos Churchyard

Robert Thomas Jones is remembered on neither the Llandudno memorials nor the Llanrhos War Memorial. In spite of his being accidentally killed after the Great War, his grave in Llanrhos Churchyard is registered with the Commonwealth War Graves' Commission and he lived within the boundary of the town of Llandudno.

Robert Thomas Jones, the son of Thomas Benjamin Jones, a joiner, and his wife Elizabeth Jones (née Meredith) was born in Llandudno on 16 November 1890. The Census of Wales for 1891 records the family living at "Rhianna", Chapel Street, Llandudno; Robert had an elder sister Catherine Ann (5). Robert attended Lloyd Street School, the register for 1898 recording his address as in Lloyd Street. The Census of Wales for 1901 confirms the family's address as "Silverdale", Lloyd Street. Robert left school in February 1904. The following year the local press reported that Thomas Benjamin Jones had deserted his family. This situation is reflected in the Census of 1911 which records Elizabeth Jones as being the head of the family but still married; the family lived at "Rock View", Tygwyn Road, Llandudno. Robert was employed as a porter for a drapery establishment.

In 1914, Robert enlisted into the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He was considered medically fit at Llandudno on 4 September 1914 and joined the regiment at Wrexham the following day. He was initially posted to the Depot (Wrexham) with a regimental number of 14539. It seems he was never posted to a battalion for he was discharged as medically unfit on 13 October 1914, being unable to march due to ankylosis of an ankle. Undeterred, Robert Jones enlisted into the Welsh Regiment on 17 July 1915. His new regimental number was 38525 and he joined the 9th (Service) Battalion. This battalion had formed at Cardiff in September 1914 and disembarked at Boulogne in July 1915 though Robert did not disembark until 17 December 1915 and joined the battalion as a reinforcement a few days later in the rank of lance corporal. On a date unknown, Robert was evacuated to England and put on the strength of the 12th (Reserve) Battalion before being discharged on 7 July 1916 for reason of sickness. He was awarded a Silver War Badge number 142273. Still undeterred, Robert Jones enlisted into the Royal Air Force on 1 May 1918 with a service number of 162656 in the rank of private 2nd class.

On 25 July 1918, Robert Jones married Margaret Smith at Conwy, their child, Robert Sidney Jones, having been born on 19 December 1917. Margaret became his next of kin and her address was recorded as 9 Craig-y-Don Parade, Llandudno. From 9 August 1918 until 20

January 1919, Robert served with No 7 Anti-aircraft Park. He was discharged 14 March 1919 as medically unfit for further duty. His address on discharge was 10 Augusta Street, Llandudno. Robert received a pension of 16s 6d for 52 weeks.

Robert Thomas Jones was accidentally killed on 19 April 1920 aged 29 at the Brig-y-Don Hotel, Llandudno and an inquest was held two days later. The cause of death on his death certificate reads: "while deceased was window cleaning, the ladder on which he was working slipped and he was precipitated to the basement below – severe head injuries – few minutes. Accidental death." His address was given as 7 King's Road, Llandudno. King's Road was then in the Parish of Llanrhos so Robert was buried at Llanrhos Churchyard.

As related earlier, though Robert Thomas suffered an accidental death after discharge from the forces, his grave is recorded by the Commonwealth War Graves' Commission. Even though his death was accidental, it is surprising that he was not commemorated locally.

Because Jones is such a common surname, it has been impossible so far to determine the fate of his wife and child.

Known memorials:

(none)

Frederick Raymond Newbery (Newbury)

356081, Private, 1/10th The King's (Liverpool Regiment) (Territorial Force)

*Died of illness after exposure to poison gas, 25 April 1920, aged 22
Buried at the Great Orme's Head Cemetery, Llandudno*

Frederick Raymond Newbery, the son of Thomas Bryant Newbery and his wife Rose Maud Newbery (née Fothergill) was born in Kennington, London on 16 July 1897. The Census for 1901 records the family living at Cheriton, near Folkestone, Kent. Thomas Newbery was a hotel porter; Frederick (3) had a younger sister Dorris M (9 months). The family moved to Llandudno for in September 1906, Fred, as he was called, was admitted to St. George's National School. The school register indicates that Thomas Newbery was working at the Grand Hotel, Llandudno. Fred transferred to Lloyd Street Council School in July 1907 and to John Bright County School in July 1911. Earlier that year in the Census of 1911, the family was recorded as living at "Normanhurst", Maelgwyn Road, Llandudno. Fred now had a brother, Norman E (1). From 28 February 1912 until 3 April 1915, he was apprenticed to Lamport and Holt Ltd, a Liverpool shipping line.

Frederick Newbery joined the army on 10 April 1915. He enlisted at Liverpool into the 10th (Scottish) Battalion of The King's (Liverpool Regiment), Territo-

rial Force. His regimental number was 4457. He signed an agreement to serve overseas that same day. He spent some time in a provisional battalion before joining the 3/10th KLR on 8 October 1915. He embarked for Southampton on 18 November 1915 and joined the 1/10th KLR on 23 November 1915. Sometime in early 1917, Frederick was given the new regimental number of 356081. Fred was gassed on 22 July 1917 and was admitted to 16 General Hospital, Le Tréport on 24 July 1917. Having contracted dysentery, he was evacuated to England on 1 September 1917 and was convalescing in hospital until 9 November 1917. On 20 November 1917, Fred was posted to the 10th (Reserve) Battalion (formerly the 3/10th) KLR at Oswestry and was appointed acting lance corporal on 1 June 1918. He reverted to private on 17 October 1918, the same day as he disembarked in France. He arrived at H Infantry Base Depot at Étaples the following day and rejoined the 1/10th KLR on 1 December 1918. Frederick returned to England on 27 February 1919 and was demobilised on 29 March 1919.

Frederick Raymond Newbery died on 25 April 1920 at 101 Rowson Street, Wallasey aged 22. The cause of death was given as valvular disease of the heart and syncope. Fred's address was given as "Normanhurst", Llandudno and his occupation as ship's officer (Merchant Service). His body was returned to Llandudno and he was buried at the

Great Orme Cemetery.

Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour (as corporal)*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church*
- *Ysgol John Bright Roll of Honour*

Wilfrid Stanley Brocklehurst

Captain (Acting Major), Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Died of illness after discharge, 15 March 1920, aged 30

Buried at Llanrhos Churchyard

Wilfrid Stanley Brocklehurst, known as Stanley or WS Brocklehurst was born in Manchester circa 1889. He was the son of a journalist, William Tyrer Brocklehurst and his wife Mary Jane Brocklehurst (née Gibson). The Census of 1891 records the family living at "Melrose Villa", Cambridge Road, Stockport, Lancashire; Wilfrid (1) had a sister Dorothy H (3). William Tyrer Brocklehurst was a reporter for the *Southport Visitor* though he joined the *North Wales Guardian* in 1893, the family moving to 68 Borthyn, Ruthin. In 1901, the family lived at 1 Avallon Avenue, Llandudno Junction and Wilfrid now had a younger brother Joseph William. In 1906, William Brocklehurst became the North Wales representative of the *Manchester Guardian* and the family moved to "Bryn View", Llandudno.

Wilfrid Stanley Brocklehurst attended John Bright County School and later worked as a reporter for the *Carnarvon and Denbigh Herald* and for a newspaper in Oldham, eventually being appointed chief reporter of the *Derby Express* in 1910. The Census of Wales for 1911 records that Stanley's family was living at "Perthi", St. Mary's Road, Llandudno though Stanley himself was boarding at 52 Gerrard Street, Derby.

At the outbreak of the Great War, Stanley volunteered to join the Derbyshire Yeomanry, a mounted regiment of the Territorial Force. Stanley also applied for a commission in the Royal Welsh Fusiliers and he was commissioned as a temporary second lieutenant on 18 March 1915. A local newspaper reporting the announcement in *The London Gazette* stated that Stanley was to join the 19th (Service) Battalion RWF at Deganwy though there is evidence that he had been initially slated to join the 17th RWF. The 19th RWF was a Bantam Battalion, formed in March 1915 at Deganwy as part of the 38th (Welsh) Division. However, there is evidence that Stanley served for a short period in Turkey which implies that he may have been attached to the 8th RWF. He was promoted to temporary lieutenant on 1 September 1915 and to temporary captain on 1 April 1916. An army order in 1916 commanded Stanley's attendance on a musketry course at Altcar in June 1916 – he was then on the strength of the 21st (Reserve) Battalion RWF at Kinmel Park. On 1 September

1916, he was attached to the 10th (Service) Battalion RWF which had been in France since September 1915.

Stanley Brocklehurst was severely wounded in the leg during the Battle of Arras on 9 April 1917. He was treated at No 1 British Red Cross Hospital at Le Touquet before being evacuated to England and a hospital in Manchester. An interesting postscript to Stanley's military career occurred in June 1919 when he was the officer in charge of the laying-up of the Colours of the 16th Battalion RWF at St. Asaph Cathedral. Local newspaper reports relate that the Colours had been brought up from Newmarket by Major WS Brocklehurst. No indication of Stanley's promotion can be found in *The London Gazette* so presumably he had been appointed acting major at some time. In November 1919, Stanley resumed his career in journalism, joining the editorial staff of the *Sheffield Independent*.

Wilfrid Stanley Brocklehurst died on 15 May 1920 aged 30 at 219 Chesterfield Road, Sheffield. The cause of his death was influenza and pneumonia. His body was returned to Llandudno and he was buried at Llanrhos Churchyard.

Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church*
- *Ysgol John Bright Roll of Honour*

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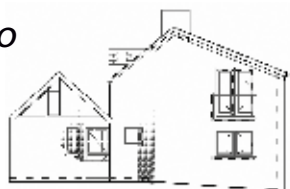
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The Churchyards in April

At St. Tudno's bright yellow flowers of lesser celandine sparkled amongst the grass in sunshine. The flowers close at night or in dull weather so need a sunny day to be seen at their best. During the later part of the month cowslip buds

appeared, promising a good display for the coming weeks. At Holy Trinity the new troughs looked splendid, while dandelions and daisies dotted the grass. These wildflowers are valuable sources of pollen and nectar for insects and



Lesser celandine at St. Tudno's.

with their long flowering period can be particularly beneficial in spring and autumn when other flowers may be in short supply.

St. George's churchyard seems to be a very good site for bees and other insects in spring and we hope to maintain the wildlife value by leaving a wildlife border around the edge of the churchyard when grass cutting starts. One of the Great Orme Coun-



Hairy-footed flower bee.



Troughs at Holy Trinity.

try Park Wardens, Sion Dafis, who is interested in bees has been looking at the churchyard too and confirms that it is a good bee habitat. In addition to various bumblebees, I spotted a male hairy-footed flower bee at rest and his hairy legs certainly show up in the photograph, while Sion saw a couple of males chasing a female. These bees are quite large and furry and so could be mistaken for bumblebees but they have more rapid flight and are more likely to be seen hovering. These are one of the earliest bees to appear in spring and males are brown but females are black – and don't have such hairy



Banded furrow bee.

legs! These are amongst the UK's 240 species of solitary bees, which do not form nests with queens and workers, though some solitary bees may nest close together in colonies.

I also saw a banded furrow bee (not sure of the species) feeding on a daisy, while Sion spotted an ashy mining bee – both solitary bees. In addition to the bees I managed to photograph a large bee-fly (or dark-edged bee-fly) at rest. Like bumblebees and hairy-footed flower bees this has quite a large furry body but is a bee mimic, rather than a bee. Bee mimics have evolved to look like bees, which gives them some protection from other things which might eat them. The large bee-fly has a darting flight but at rest



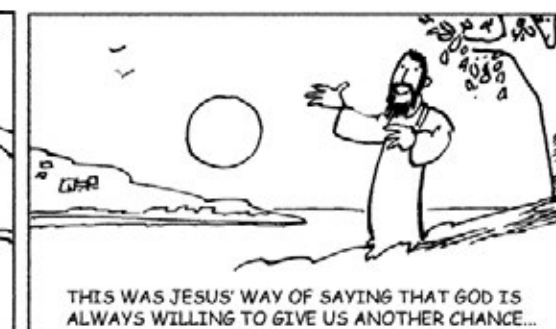
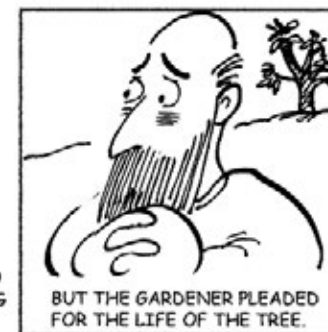
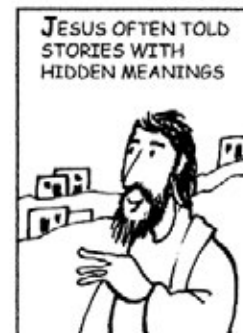
Large bee-fly.

its very long legs and proboscis can be seen, as can the dark edges of the wings. The large bee-fly is a parasitoid of some mining bees (solitary bees), a parasitoid being an insect whose larvae live on another organism, eventually killing the host. The female bee-fly hovers above the nests of mining bees and shoots her eggs into the ground. When the bee-fly larvae hatch they try

to find a burrow entrance and a bee grub to feed on but the number of successful bee-fly larvae are unlikely to damage the host population, while the adult bee-fly feeds on various flowers and so contributes to pollination.

Christine Jones

The parable of the FIG TREE



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Coffee Time

Cryptics (thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright).

All begin with A

1. Agrees about awful mess in tax evaluations. (11)
2. Value as a piper with a difference. (8)
3. It's just a matter of totting it all up. (8)
4. Charge brought about what a County Council empty. (6)
5. One has high opinion of small advertisements about mud. (7)
6. Heated crime. (5)
7. Well, it's a near thing maybe! (8)
8. Where to send a letter or a speech. (7)
9. Bouquet found in a romantic setting. (5)
10. Bob's missing from the beginning of the specimen but there's still plenty left. (5)

Results for
March

1. Stationer
2. Postmaster
3. Admiral
4. Auditor
5. Customers
6. Debutante
7. Editor
8. Eskimo
9. Peasants
10. Maori



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