
All Saints, Deganwy • St Cystennin's, Mochdre • St David's, Penrhyn Bay
St Doged's, Llanddoged • St Ffraid's, Glan Conwy • St Grwst's, Llanrwst
St Hilary's, Llanrhos • St Katherine's, Bryn Pydew • St Martin's, Eglwysbach
St Michael's, Llandudno Junction • St Paul's, Craig-y-Don

Holy Week and Easter 2017

In the first century, the early Christians celebrated the resurrection of Jesus every Sunday. By the 2nd century, they established a particular day for the celebration of the resurrection, which was connected to the Jewish Passover. This of course we call Easter Day. By the 4th century, it became customary for people to make pilgrimages to Jerusalem to celebrate what was called the "Great Week," including Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil when new Christians were baptised, and Easter Sunday. The diary of a woman named Egeria in 381AD contains an account of the special services, prayers and devotions that took place in Jerusalem during that week.

Over time, the practice of observing Holy Week spread throughout the Christian world, with prayers, historical re-enactments and special services. During the Middle Ages, the celebration of the Easter Vigil gradually fell out of practice. The important days of the week were Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

In the 1950's the Easter Vigil slowly began to return in some parts of the Roman Catholic Church as an important part of Holy Week observances. Today, the Easter Vigil

has become an important part of Holy Week throughout the Anglican Communion. The Easter fire, the lighting of the paschal candle, the reading of salvation history from the Old and New Testament, the celebration of baptism and the renewal of baptismal promises, is once again an integral part of Holy Week celebrations.

In the early Church the Vigil began at sunset on Saturday evening. They called it the Night of the Great Vigil, a time of remembrance and expectation that lasted throughout the night so they could sing "alleluia" at dawn on Easter morning. Today's service is less demanding on our time, but is none the less a joyful way to begin our celebrations of the Resurrection. Come and see!

Rev Noel Carter, Mission Area Leader

BELOW: St Paul's Church choir on fine form for a service last spring. The choir will be leading a special service for Holy Week on Sunday 9th April at 3.30 pm, drawing on Eastern and Western Christian traditions and reflecting on Christ's passion, death and resurrection.



Inside This Issue: full list of service times for Holy Week and Easter

REGULAR SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES - ALL WELCOME

1st Sunday of the month

8 am **Holy Eucharist** St David's & St Hilary's
 9.30 am **Holy Eucharist** St Michael's; **Cymun Bendigaid** St Grwst's; **Morning Prayer** St Doged's
Morning Worship St Cystennin's;
 9.45 am **Choral Eucharist** St Paul's; **Holy Eucharist** St Martin's
 11 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints, St Grwst's & St David's; **Family Service** St Hilary's;
Morning Worship St Katherine's
 11.15 am **Holy Eucharist** St Ffraid's Church House
 6.30 pm **Evening Prayer** St Hilary's

2nd Sunday of the month

8 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints & St David's
 9.30 am **Holy Eucharist** St Cystennin's, St Doged's & St Michael's; **Boreol Weddi** St Grwst's
 9.45 am **Choral Eucharist** St Paul's; **Holy Eucharist** St Martin's
 11 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints, St Grwst's, St David's, St Hilary's & St Katherine's
 11.15 am **Holy Eucharist** St Ffraid's Church House
 6.30 pm **Evening Prayer** St Hilary's

3rd Sunday of the month

8 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints & St David's
 9.30 am **Holy Eucharist** St Doged's & St Michael's; **Cymun Bendigaid** St Grwst's;
Morning Worship St Cystennin's
 9.45 am **Choral Eucharist** St Paul's; **Morning Prayer** St Martin's
 11 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints, St Grwst's & St Hilary's; **Morning Worship** St Katherine's;
Family Service St David's
 11.15 am **Morning Prayer** St Ffraid's Church House
 6.30 pm **Cymun Bendigaid** St Hilary's

Note: All services on Easter Sunday 16th April will be Holy Communion/Cymun Bendigaid

4th Sunday of the month

8 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints & St David's
 9.30 am **Holy Eucharist** St Cystennin's & St Doged's; **Boreol Weddi** St Grwst's; **All-age worship** St Michael's
 9.45 am **Choral Eucharist** St Paul's; **Holy Eucharist** St Martin's
 11 am **Holy Eucharist** St David's, St Grwst's, St Hilary's & St Katherine's; **All-age worship** All Saints
 11.15 am **Holy Eucharist** St Ffraid's Church House
 6.30 pm **Evening Prayer** St Hilary's

5th Sunday of the month

8 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints & St David's
 9.30 am **Holy Eucharist** St Doged's & St Michael's; **Cymun Bendigaid** St Grwst's
 9.45 am **Choral Eucharist** St Paul's; **Holy Eucharist** St Martin's
 11 am **Holy Eucharist** All Saints & St Grwst's; **Morning Prayer** St Hilary's
 11.15 am **Holy Eucharist** St Ffraid's Church House
 6.30 pm **Holy Eucharist** St Hilary's

30th April (fifth Sunday)

St Cystennin's and St Katherine's joint service 10.30 am at St K (no service at St C), and 11 am service at St David's will be a Family Service.

HOLY EUCHARIST is also celebrated on **Wednesdays at 10 am** at All Saints and St Ffraid's Church House,
Thursdays at 10.30 am at St Paul's and **Fridays at 10 am** at St David's

Messy Church - see calendar for details

Prayer Group - 10 am every Tuesday at St David's (01492 876451 for details)

Koinonia Groups (Bible study, prayer & discussion): **Morning** - 2nd & 4th Weds, 10.30 am (01492 876451 for details)
Evening - 1st and 3rd Thurs, 8 pm (01492 583420 for details)

St Katherine's Bible Study - 7.45 pm every Monday (01492 540542 for details)

Julian Group - 8.00 pm every Monday at St Michael's

CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) Lunches - every 1st Wednesday at 12.15 pm in St Katherine's, Bryn Pydew

Coffee - 10 am Thursday at St Paul's & St Ffraid's, 10 am 3rd Thursday at St Michael's, 10.30 am Friday at St David's

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OPENING HOURS 10 am to 12.30 pm on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays**

Ebrill 2017 - CALENDAR - April 2017

		Services	Other events
SUNDAY	2	SEE OPPOSITE PAGE - also: Holy Baptism 12.30 pm St H	
Tuesday	4		Mission Area Quiet Day 10.30-3 pm St Asaph Bible Briefs 7.30 pm Llanrhos Sch.room
Wednesday	5	HE 10 am AS & St Ff	Lent Group 7 pm Hospice Chapel
Thursday	6	HE 10.30 am St P	Bible Society AGM 2.30 pm Capel Seilo
Friday	7	HE 10 am St D	MAGAZINE COPY DATE
PALM SUNDAY	9	SEE OPPOSITE PAGE - also: Holy Baptism 12.30 pm St H; The Way of the Cross 3.30 pm St P; Messy Church 4 pm Llanrhos Sch.room Full Holy Week details overleaf	
Monday of Holy Week	10	HE 10 am St D Prayers of Devotion 7 pm St D Stations of the Cross 7 pm St G	Children's Holy Week Adventure 10 am - 2 pm Church House, Glan Conwy: St P Mothers' Union 2.30 pm
Tuesday of Holy Week	11	Contemplation at the Cross 7 pm St D Stations of the Cross 7 pm St G	St Ff Mothers' Union 2.00 pm
Wednesday of Holy Week	12	HE 10 am AS & St Ff Light & Shadows Service 7 pm St Tudno's	
MAUNDY THURSDAY	13	HE 10.30 am St P HE 7 pm AS & St D HE 7.30 pm St Ff	
GOOD FRIDAY	14	Stations 10 am St P, St Do, St Ma; Stations 10.30 am St C; Acts of Witness 12 noon Holy Trinity Grounds & Penrhyn Bay Co-op; Stations/Meditation/Good Friday Liturgy 2 pm AS, St D, St Ff, St G, St H; Stations 7.30 pm St K	
Holy Saturday	15	Easter Vigil 7.30 pm St G, 8.30 pm St D	
EASTER DAY	16	SEE OPPOSITE PAGE - All Services will be Holy Communion Welsh Communion Services 3 p.m. St C and 6.30 pm St H	Picnic 4 pm at St G
Wednesday	19	HE 10 am AS & St Ff	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED THIS WEEK Adventures in Worship 2.30 pm St D
Thursday	20	HE 10.30 am St P	
Friday	21	HE 10 am St D	Quiz 7 pm St Ffraid's Church House
SUNDAY	23	SEE OPPOSITE PAGE - Service at St C includes Holy Baptism	Mission Area Easter celebration - regret this has had to be cancelled
Monday	24		St P Mothers' Union 2.30 pm
Tuesday	25		Cytun Council 10.30 am St John's Methodist Church Fellowship Room AS Mothers' Union 2.30 pm

Calendar continues on next page

CALENDAR - Continued

Wednesday	26	HE 10 am AS & St Ff HE 7 pm in Holy Trinity - culmination of the Lent Group meetings	
Thursday	27	HE 10.30 am St P	Spring Cleaning session St H Mission Area Easter Vestry Meeting 7.30 pm Llanrhos Schoolroom
Friday	28	HE 10 am St D	
Saturday	29		Art & Craft Fair begins St P 10-4.30 pm
SUNDAY	30	SEE Page 2 - Also: Joint St C & St K service 10.30 am at St C; Family Service 11 am at St D; Holy Baptism 12.30 pm AS	Art & Craft Fair St P 12-4.30 pm

KEY: HE - Holy Eucharist; AS – All Saints; St C – St Cystennin’s; St D - St David’s; St Do - St Daged’s; St Ff - St Ffraid’s (currently meeting in the Church House); St G - St Grwst’s; St H - St Hilary’s; St K – St Katherine’s; St M – St Michael’s; St Ma - St Martin’s; St P – St Paul’s

Holy Week & Easter Services

Palm Sunday 9th April

Morning Service as usual in all churches
3.30 pm - “The Way of the Cross” St P
A choral meditation on the Passion
4.00 pm - Messy Church, Llanrhos School Room

Monday 10th April

10.00 am – Holy Eucharist St D
7.00 pm – Prayers of Devotion St D
7.00 pm - Stations of the Cross St G

Tuesday 11th April

7.00 pm – Prayers around the Cross St D
7.00 pm - Stations of the Cross St G

Wednesday 12th April

10.00 am - Holy Eucharist AS & St Ff
7.00 pm – Service of Light and Shadows (St Tudno’s on the Great Orme)

Maundy Thursday 13th April

10.30 am – Holy Eucharist St P
11.00 am – Chrism Mass with renewal of vows (St Asaph Cathedral)
7.00 pm – Holy Eucharist and stripping of the altar AS
7.00 pm – Holy Eucharist, washing of feet and stripping of the altar St D
7.30 pm – Holy Eucharist and stripping of the altar and Watch St Ff

Good Friday 14th April

10 am - Stations of the Cross StP, StDo, St Ma
10.30 am – Stations of the Cross St C
12.00 noon Cytun Act of Witness,
Holy Trinity Grounds, Llandudno
12.00 noon Silent Witness, Co-op Car Park, Penrhyn Bay
2.00 pm – “At the foot of the Cross” AS
2.00 pm - Stations of the Cross St D
2 pm - Good Friday Liturgy St H & St Ff
7.30 pm – Stations of the Cross St K

Holy Saturday 15th April

7.30 pm - Great Easter Vigil St G
8.30 pm – Easter Vigil St D

Easter Day 16th April

Services of Holy Eucharist:
8.00 am St D & AS
9.30 am – St C & SM & St Do
9.45 am – St P & St Ma
11.00 am – St H, St D, AS, St K, St G
11.15 am - St Ff
3.00 pm— Cymun Bendigaid St C
6.30 pm – Cymun Bendigaid St H

Sparlings' Holy Week Adventure

10 am - 2 pm Church House, Glan Conwy:
Open to all children aged 5-11.
Bring a packed lunch!



Children's activities in our churches. LEFT: building a house out of Lego at St Paul's in Craig y Don - the house will form part of a video of the parable of the wise man who built his house on the rock. RIGHT: Messy Church at St Ffraid's in Glan Conwy - making a volcano out of Play-Doh to show how our emotions sometimes boil over!



Conwy Food Bank

Feeding local people in crisis
www.conwyfoodbank.co.uk

Everyone at Conwy Food Bank would like to send our thanks once more for your continued support during the last month.

The total for February is down a little on last year, 57 parcels in total, 21 to families involving 43 children, 30 to singles, and 6 to couples. 58% of parcels were issued to the Colwyn Bay area in February, which is a higher proportion than usual.

Fortunately, we have been able to move our store room to new premises in Llandudno which will be a more pleasant and spacious working environment for Tony and the volunteers.

We are grateful for all you do to ensure that those living in crisis are given help and support

Best Wishes, Conwy Food Bank

Life after Lent.....

Following the weekly Lent group meetings with Holy Trinity Llandudno which explore the Eucharist, we will meet again on **Wednesday 26th April at 7 pm** for the final session "I am the bread of life" at Holy Trinity. This will be a celebration of Eucharist and time of fellowship

Confirmation

The nature of Confirmation is changing. It is no longer the rite that gives admission to Holy Communion. However, it has rediscovered its place as a service of adult commitment. The Bishop of St Asaph is coming to the Mission Area for an Archdeaconry Confirmation service at St David's Church, Penrhyn Bay on **Tuesday 3rd October**. If you want to know more in the meantime, please talk to one of the clergy.

We welcome news and comment from all the churches in the Mission Area, with photos if possible. Please send items in by Copy Date (7th April for May issue) to jastone@dunelm.org.uk or to the parish office. Contributions may be edited to fit available space, and late items may be omitted.

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News, Notices and Events

Bible Briefs

Faith building monthly lectures



Gethsemane

We explore The story Of
Jesus' Arrest In The
Garden of Gethsemane.

Tuesday 4th April
7.30 pm
Llanrhos School Room

Easter Sunday this year falls on 16th April, but events are taking place throughout the month to mark the most important festival in the church year. The Aberconwy Mission Area has a quiet day of reflection for Lent on 4th April in St Asaph Cathedral, and a much noisier event to celebrate Easter itself at St David's Church in Penrhyn Bay on 23rd April.

Palm Sunday is also a busy day in the mission area. St Paul's Church invites you to an afternoon of words and musical reflections for holy week on Sunday 9th April at 3.30 pm and there's a themed messy church event in Llanrhos Schoolroom at 4 pm on the same day.

Palm Sunday

All Through the Town

(Mark 11)

As Jesus rode the donkey through Jerusalem, people shouted, "Hosanna."

Help Jesus finish His ride through the city.



Messy Church

Sunday 9th April
4 pm
Llanrhos School Room

The Way of the Cross



**Words, Music and Reflection for
Holy Week**

St Paul's Church, Craig-y-Don

**3.30pm, Palm Sunday,
April 9th**



Aberconwy
Mission Area

Lent Quiet Day

Tuesday 4th April - 10.30 am to 3.00 pm

St Asaph Cathedral

Journeying to Jerusalem

- 10.00 am Arrive and Coffee*
10.30 am The Journey begins - Rev Noel Carter
11.00 am Silence
12.00 Noon Eucharist - The journey continues
13.00 pm Lunch (Please bring packed lunch - Drinks provided)
14.00 pm The final journey - Canon Rex Matthias leads us through the Stations of the Cross
15.00 pm Coffee and depart

The cost of the day is £5.00 paid on the day

Please bring a packed lunch. Tea, Coffee and Water will be provided

If you'd like to attend, please send your details to Mandy Groom in the Parish Office by **Thursday 30th March** at the latest - contact details on page 2

St Ffraid's Church House
Glan Conwy

Coffee Stop

every Thursday 10-11.30 am

Quiz

- Friday 21st April 7 pm

Tickets £3.00

Murder Mystery

Friday 19th May 7 pm

Tickets £10

Mission Area Easter Celebration

Sunday 23rd April

4 p.m.

We regret that we have
had to cancel this event -
many apologies.

St David's Church

Mission Area Easter Vestry

The Easter Vestry Meeting for the Mission Area will take place on **Thursday 27th April at 7.30 pm in Llanrhos Schoolroom**. Please put the date in your diary and make every effort to attend.

Also please look out for the dates of the individual church Easter Vestry/AGM meetings which take place before this date.

If your name is not on the **Electoral Roll** and you are a regular communicant member of one of our churches please complete a form obtainable from church or from Mandy at the Parish Office. The Roll will close on 12th April until after the Mission Area Vestry meeting.

St Paul's Church, Craig Y Don

Art and Craft Fair and Exhibition

With musical interludes.



Saturday April 29th – Monday May 1st 2017

{Extravaganza weekend}

Saturday and Monday 10.00 am until 4.30 pm

Sunday 12 noon until 4.30 pm



This is a fund raising event for St Paul's Church and we are inviting people to exhibit their art work and craft projects for the three days of the bank holiday weekend.

We hope that many of the exhibits will be for sale, but you are invited to exhibit work you do not wish to sell as well, making it clear the item is 'Not for Sale'. All pictures must have cord tied tightly across the back ready to hang. There will be a charge of £1.50 per picture to be hung and the church would take 15% of any sales. For craft work the charge would be £3.00 for a table top approximately 3' x 2' and again the church would take 15% of sales.

Musicians will perform at intervals during the three day event.

Light refreshments will be on sale in church.

Entry forms, with further information, will be available at the beginning of March from St Paul's Church; The Parish Office, St David's Church, Penrhyn Bay; Bay Gallery, Station Road, Colwyn Bay, from the back of your church, or by contacting Barbara or Sandra on 01492 525814.

Cor Meibion Maelgwn

Join us for a musical evening by one of North Wales' best choirs.

All Saints Church, Deganwy
Thursday, 11th May at 7.30 pm

Tickets £8

available from Pat Chapman
01492 583420.



Cor Meibion Maelgwn

Ymunwch a ni am noson o musig gan un o'r gorau yn y gogledd.

Eglwys yr Holl Saint, Deganwy
Nos Iau, 11fed Mai am 7.30 yh

Tocynnau £8

ar gael o Pat Chapman
01492 583420

Around the Churches



Thank you for supporting our mission area coffee morning and thanks to St Paul's for hosting the

event. I hope those who attended the male voice choir concert enjoyed the evening. Details of money raised in the next magazine.

Christian Aid Week: 14th - 20th May

This year we are looking at the plight of refugees now stranded in Greece. "With borders across Europe now closed, they are unable to travel onwards, but understandably determined not to go back to countries ravaged by conflict. Today, more than 65 million people have been uprooted from their homes and are in search of refuge. Just as Christian Aid was there for displaced people in the 1940's, we're there now to support for those lacking safety, stability, and access to basic needs."

Our Churches are having to consider if the **house- to-house collection** during the week is possible for them to cover as our collectors are getting older and fewer. We are very grateful to our collectors who have done this in all weathers for many years and appreciate it gets harder every year. Some may consider a coffee morning or frugal lunch, a sponsored something or giving our church members a Christian Aid envelope to return at the end of the week, maybe we could take some for our neighbours. Hopefully some of our church members can keep the house-to-house going so if you can help with this please let your church representative or myself know.

The special Christian Aid Week service is on **Sunday 14th May at 6 pm at Gloddaeth United Church**. Please try and support the service and enjoy fellowship with members of other churches. There are only four committee meetings a year and new ideas are always welcome. Please contact me if you are able to help or need more information.

Jeannette B-Williams, 01492 582911

Christian Aid Diary Dates

Prayer Service, Sunday 14th May, 6 pm - Gloddaeth United Church

Coffee Mornings (all at 10 am)

Weds 17th May - Gloddaeth United

Friday 19th May - St John's Methodist

Saturday 20th May - Holy Trinity

Weds 6th September - Gloddaeth United

Friday 29th September - St. John's Methodist

Flag Day, Saturday 22nd July

Summer Fayre, Thursday 17th August, 10 am - St. John's Methodist



ABOVE: Rev Noel Carter chats to Megan and Dorothy before a Sunday morning service at St Paul's

Mothers' UNION
Gofal Cristnogol i Deuluoedd

All Saints Branch

Our last two meetings were low in numbers but enjoyed by who attended. At the Valentine social we drew a rose, taken home afterwards and played pass the parcel, prize a heart-shaped tea-light holder. Members shared information about St Valentine and some comical Valentine card experiences. Those who braved heavy rain on Pancake Day enjoyed varied personal experiences including honeymoons, meeting Princess Margaret, the feeling of being a member of the MU, and

corporate communion will be on Wednesday 5th April at 10 am and we have just one meeting in April on the 25th - details to follow. We wish everyone a happy and blessed Easter.

Daphne Laight

St Paul's Craig-y-Don Branch

On 27th February friends from other churches joined us for Daffodil Tea - people remarked on the lovely atmosphere of friendliness and fellowship. Part of the proceeds will go to the Mothers' Union "Make a Mother's Day" appeal supporting mothers and communities around the world.

In April we meet on the 10th for a devotional meeting and on 27th will be having tea and a sing-song for residents from New Cranford as part of our dementia-friendly programme. Alice Wild is still knitting Twiddlemuffs and would welcome any donations of big buttons, beads, short zips and ribbon.

On Monday 8th May we are planning a coach trip to the Riverside Chocolate House in Pentrefoelas, where we are promised tea, scones, and of course chocolate!

Ann Clutton

St Ffraid's Glan Conwy Branch

Glan Conwy branch meet on Tuesday 11th April, when Carol gives a craft demonstration.

St Cystennin's, Mochdre

On Sunday 5th March another successful Welsh service was for St David's day, led by Canon Peter Jones. Thanks to Rev Jones and members of the congregation who read the lessons. The next Welsh service will be at **3 pm on Easter Sunday, 16th April.**

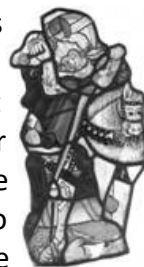
Wanted

St Cystennin's are looking for a person to act as **Church Secretary**; this post is not demanding, consisting of minute taking and arranging church committee meetings - computer skills would be a help to update church events online. Anyone interested in working with the church committee please contact the treasurer on 01492 533120

The church is also appealing to any **organist** who can help on a occasional basis to accompany the hymns during services. This could include retired persons or children who wish to extend their musical knowledge. Transport to and from the church can be provided, Anyone who feels that they can help please contact 01492 533120

Lottery Funding

Two applications have been made to the Heritage Lottery Fund. The first was to restore the five stained glass panels dating from the 15th century. These were the subject of the exhibition board created for the open day last September. The

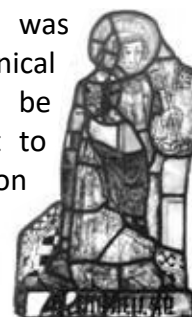


grant was to understand the historical restoration of the panels, to visit the restorer to see the work to preserve them, and to understand how they were created. It was good news to hear that the application for £9900, which included a donation of £500, has been successful. The panels will be moved from storage in Llandudno Museum and to the restorer near Chester. When complete they will be placed in a secure cabinet for display in the church. A second application was being made for the replacement



roof and fabric of the church, which needs urgent attention, totalling £125,000 with a substantial amount coming from the fundraising over the past few years led by our church treasurer and some grants from the Church

in Wales. The application was withdrawn because of technical issues, but another will be submitted soon for a grant to prepare technical information and plan what we have in mind for the heritage part of the project.



It is important to engage with all within the community so if anyone is interested in stained glass panels and would like more information on them or the restoration please contact us.

Having been successful in lottery applications for St Cystennin's Church with the heritage theme coming through and the grants officers being aware of the sequence of the projects, we must be hopeful that in 2017 we will be successful in obtaining the grant we need to secure the church. Many thanks to Roy Mills, our heritage officer, and to everyone for their continued support.

Finally, thank you also to Michael who is working on the church gardens. Please visit us to see his lovely displays, which are getting better by the week.

St David's, Penrhyn Bay

Sunday Services during April

There will be a Eucharist at 11 am on Easter Sunday 16th April, followed by a picnic at St. Grwst's at 4 pm, and Family Service this month will be on Sunday 30th at 11 am.

Our service on Creation Sunday used *The Word on the Street Bible* version of Genesis Chapter 1, the powerful formation of the earth and all living things. This was followed by John 1 29-42; and included the following poem:

*Said the robin to the sparrow,
"I should really like to know,
why these anxious human beings
rush about and worry so."
Said the sparrow to the robin,
"Friend I think that it must be,
that they have no Heavenly
Father,
such as cares for you and me."*

And so the theme of the service was about when to worry and when not to worry. Also the joy when uncertainty ends.

A few days later, Storm Doris paid a visit to St David's,



ABOVE: Buckets ready in St Paul's. Storm Doris wasn't helpful to two of our churches, even though the insurers refer to her as "an act of God!" Church roofs suffered damage at St Paul's and St David's (report from St David's below)

damaging the roof of the church. We began to worry. How much damage? Who can do emergency repairs? Are the neighbours (who concerned about bits flying off? The weather forecast was continuing blustery high winds. The rain got in, but not too much as most of the rain was in the insulation in the ceiling. Bits did fall off but on to the car park below. By Monday afternoon the roof had been stabilised and made waterproof. And we all, as by now the whole congregation was involved, didn't need to worry quite so much anymore.



ABOVE: Dementia has been a topic of consideration in many of our churches recently. In March, St David's Church congregation heard what they can do to be dementia friendly. Representatives of the mission area also attended this conference in Llangollen to find out more.

Easter Flowers At St David's

If you would like to make a contribution towards the cost of the Easter flower arrangements at St David's please hand it to the wardens.

St David's Ladies' Fellowship

The AGM was held in February, and we remembered absent friends, especially our treasurer Ann Rowlands, praying that she will be back with us soon. After the business we learnt about some famous people of faith, including Gladys Aylward, the missionary who led 100 orphans to safety over the Chinese mountains after the Japanese invaded and inspired the film "The Inn of the Sixth Happiness" (which was filmed in Snowdonia). Another was George Müller, who founded orphanages and schools in the 19th century, trusting in the Lord to provide when provisions were scarce. The meeting finished up with Elizabeth playing the piano while we sang, prayers and refreshments.

St David's Diary Dates

- Sat 10th June, 7.30 pm - concert for Tenovus
- July (date TBC) - concert for St David's Hospice
- Sat 15th July - summer fete
- Sun 27th August - outdoor service with Beulah Brass band

St Ffraid's, Glan Conwy

Messy Church exploded onto the scene at St Ffraid's on Sunday 26th February. Our first session welcomed 11 families new to church and was as much fun as the name suggests!

Among other (very messy) activities, children and adults enjoyed creating volcanoes from Play-Doh and various fizzing ingredients to illustrate how your bottled up anger can sometimes explode quite violently – just as Martha's feelings did when her sister Mary left her with all the work while she listened to Jesus.

As we learnt about God's love for us and our love for God and for each other, we thought about two ways of loving Jesus – the busyness of discipleship, which many of us know well, and the listening to him, which is much harder. Since it was almost Shrove Tuesday, our time of celebration and teaching was followed by pancakes. Another Messy Church was planned for Mothering Sunday - look for future dates.

BELOW LEFT: scenes from the St David's Day lunch in Llanrhos Schoolroom (report on next page). BELOW RIGHT: Messy by name, messy by nature! One of the children at St Ffraid's first Messy Church tries out making a volcano





ABOVE: Your production editor (second from right) doesn't normally feature in photographs in Church News, but has managed two appearances in this issue - see if you can find the other one! The menu at the St David's Day lunch in Llanrhos included hotpot, followed by trifle or apple pie.

St Hilary's, Llanrhos

Llanrhos Schoolroom was the place for two celebrations in one week, as St Hilary's Fellowship hosted a Pancake Afternoon and Quiz on Shrove Tuesday, with a St David's Day lunch the following Sunday. Both events were much enjoyed by all - the Quiz was quite a challenge! Many thanks to all who helped provide the food and the entertainment.

St. Michael & All Angels, Llandudno Junction

FELLOWSHIP: In February fourteen members met at the Empire for an excellent meal and a good time was had by all! Future meetings will include a talk by the Mayoress of Llandudno, Peter Walker on the birth of pop music, and a walk (or ride if you find walking difficult!) across the river for afternoon tea in Conwy.

CANIAD: St Michael's is now developing a connection with CANIAD - there was information about this in the March magazine. Caniad is for anyone involved with mental health or substance misuse services and seeks to help shape those services along with the advice and care that they offer. If you would like to be involved, you can contact them on 0800 085 3382 or visit www.caniad.org.uk

CONGREGATION MEETING: The Congregation meeting towards the end of February was our AGM and confirmed those holding posts. Renee Williams is church warden (a vacancy for a second warden exists), with Mike Wise as treasurer. Our secretary, Diocesan conference rep and Mission Area reps were elected. There was a vote of thanks (and applause!) for Ian Huckle, retiring church warden, who was congratulated for his excellent hard work during the remodelling of the interior of St Michael's. Finance is currently on a sound footing, thanks in part to the new Parish Share figures. Fund raising items will include refreshments during the Junction TRAKZ event on 22nd April, and also selling refreshments during the Open Gardens event.

AWEL Y MYNYDD: Peter visited the Maelgwn site for his monthly assembly. This time, it was 'five objects that tell the Easter story' - namely, a palm, a chalice, a cross, a stone, all carried in the 5th object, an empty bag (or at least, it was when the other objects had been removed)!

ST JOHN AMBULANCE: Peter continues to act as chaplain to the thriving Llandudno Division. Volunteers have been on duty extensively both locally and across Wales. Please support them and say hello if you see them on duty during the Extravaganza!

BELOW: This is the first chance we have had to mention the wonderful snowdrops that are the first sign of spring at St Michael's



St Paul's, Craig y Don

You wouldn't think that a few chairs would make much difference..... The back of St Paul's now feels much more welcoming with the arrival of new comfortable chairs, armchairs and new tables (picture below). All were sourced free of charge thanks to one of our number having an office remodelling. The old tables and chairs remain lurking in the background for children's activities. Also in the background, we continue to tackle the ongoing problem of improving the church's

finances. Gas bills in the winter are still in the order of £800 per month, and we will need to do roof repairs following Storm Doris, who made her presence felt by dripping water onto the organist while he was practising!

The choir is now in preparation for one of the busiest times of the year, and has been trying out sectionals (men and women rehearsing separately) to get the most out of our time on Thursday evenings. Solo performances before some services have been an added treat to the congregation.

Chris Dearden & Deborah Haigh-Roberts



The Fairhaven Christian Hotel, Craig y Don Promenade, will be opening their hotel as a tea room on **Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th April** 11-5 pm, Extravaganza Weekend. They will serve hot drinks, snacks, light lunches, cakes etc. all home made, and will also have a Guide Dogs stall, and will be doing a collection. All proceeds to the local Guide Dogs branch.

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