

BERRIEW NEWSLETTER



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The Parish of Berriew

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Sunday 2nd. February Candlemas

10.00am All-age Family Communion and Christingle at St Beuno's
6.30pm Compline at St Beuno's

Sunday 9th. February Fourth Sunday before Lent

10.00am Sung Eucharist at St Beuno's
6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Beuno's

Sunday 16th. February Third Sunday before Lent

10.00am All-age Service at St Beuno's
6.30pm Holy Communion (1984 Prayer Book) at St Beuno's

Sunday 23rd. February Second Sunday before Lent

10.00am Sung Eucharist at St Beuno's
6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Beuno's

St. John's Mission Church - Fron

Sunday 9th. February 9.00am Holy Communion
Sunday 23rd. February 9.00am All-age Holy Communion

Pantyffridd Mission Church

Sunday 2nd. February 3.00pm Holy Communion
Sunday 16th. February 3.00pm Evening Prayer

Parish News

Wednesdays at 10.30am We continue to offer 10.30am Morning Prayer in the **Old School** (for the winter months). On the first Wednesday of each month we celebrate the Eucharist together there instead. *All welcome!*

Choir Practices: Wednesdays at 6.00pm - in St Beuno's
for folks aged from 11 to.....!!! All welcome to join us.

Bellringers Practices: Wednesdays at 7.30pm - in St Beuno's
New ringers in particular are warmly welcome!

Berriew Parish Church Cleaning Rota for February

Mrs. Frances Hughes and Miss. Shirley Griffiths.

Berriew Parish Church Side Person Rota for February

10am. Service: Mr. John Sadler and Mrs. Rhian German.
6.30pm. Evensong: Miss. Shirley Griffiths.

Refail Presbyterian Chapel

Minister Rev. Dr. Diane Stirling

Services every Sunday at 10am. Unless otherwise stated.

February 2nd Joint Communion Montgomery 10.30am.

9th Minister

16th Dr. P. Ashton

23rd Rev. J. Gribb

March 2nd Joint Communion at Brooks 10.30am.

Bridge Club – Every Friday in the Assembly Room at 7.30pm.

Knitting Club 2nd Tuesday in the month. 6pm. Contact Jennie 01686 941813.

Yoga Thursday morning 10am – 11am. Contact Maria 01686 669868

The Assembly Rooms are available for hire. For booking form and list of charges contact Hans 01686 640648

Coffee is served in the Assembly Room after the service 4th Sunday in the month.

Mrs.P. Hall

Pentre Llifior Wesleyan Methodist Chapel

Minister: Rev. Sue Lawler, Welshpool 01938 552794

Services: 2.30pm. (alternating each Sunday with All-Age Cell Group Worship)

February 2nd Mr. Nigel Evans, Felinder

16th Rev. Sue Lawler, Holy Communion Service

ALL are welcome to attend services, events and to visit this 18th Cent. Methodist Heritage Site. Also why not drop-in for bacon butties fortnightly on Saturdays (10am-11.30am.) at the stable opposite the chapel – February dates being the 8th and the 22nd. Visiting groups and individuals are welcome at any time by prior appointment. Ring Andrew Mathieson 01938 555376.

Andrew Mathieson.

ST JOHN'S MISSION CHURCH FRON

Cleaning and Flower Rota for February

Helen Coleby

A very enjoyable Family Carol Service was held in the Fron on Sunday 22nd December led by Mr Peter Watkin. The church had been beautifully decorated for the festive Season by Sandra and Lawrence Morris. The narrators of the Christmas Story were dad Gareth and daughter Eleri Phillips. The prayers were read by Louise Morris, Claire Morris and Millie-Grace Williams, and Millie also sang the first verse of Away in a Manger as a solo then accompanied by Louise, Finlay Williams and James Kelly and all the congregation. Later in the service Finlay(aged 4) dressed very opulently as one of the kings, sang a solo which he had learned for his school Christmas play at Penygloddfa Primary School (with a bit of help from Millie.!)

At the end of the service and prior to the congregation enjoying mince pies and mulled wine Millie-Grace, who has been learning to play a brass instrument since September gave a very inspiring rendition of Jingle Bells on the cornet. Later the children were all given gift tokens and presents from under the Christmas Tree.

We take this opportunity, belatedly, to wish everyone a very Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year!

December 2013 Winners are:-

First Prize	£10.00	No 71	Margaret Jones	Woodlea, Garthmyl
Second Prize	£10.00	No 73	Brian Bennett	West Malling, Kent
Third Prize	£5.00	No 37	Julie Morris	c/o Silvermere, Garthmyl

Helen Bennett

January 2014 Winners are:-

First Prize	£10.00	No 36	Sandra Morris	Silvermere, Garthmyl
Second Prize	£10.00	No 30	Roy Matthews	Tan y Fron, Garthmyl
Third Prize	£5.00	No 87	Margaret Humphreys	Glandwr, Forge, Machynlleth

Thank you

I would like to thank everyone for all the birthday cards, gifts and flowers I received for my 90th birthday on December 14th.

Also my thanks to Molly for arranging the special tea at Darby and Joan and for the lovely birthday cake.

I had so many callers around my birthday time and to thank everyone for their kindness.

Edna Roberts, The Hollies,
Berriew.

News of Little saints

How many little saints do you know?
We have nearly 30 who come together to have fun
Crafts - Games - Drama and much more
and
through fun - learn more about faith.

We meet on the Saturday before the last week of each half-term
in the Old School.

The next one is on
Saturday 15th Feb: 10.00am - 12.15pm

Our topic this time?

“Tell me a story.....and another..... And another!!!

We are looking forward to welcoming them all - why don't you give it a try?

Contacts: Vicar Peter - Esther(625559) - for more info.

It is helpful to know numbers - so please - say Yes or No
Thank You.

And - what have they been up to recently?

At the meeting before Christmas - we travelled the road to Bethlehem - learning more about what was going on at the time of his birth and what it would have been like for Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus. And we remembered Father Christmas too - making our own little sleds and filling them with goodies!

More recently we had our 'Christmas Party' with lots of games and a lovely tea prepared by our Mums - thank you MUMS!!

We do lots of different things - so come along and be one of us!

And what of teenagers?

By the time you read this we shall have met with parents and young people who are in years 6-9 in school. We are hoping to form a new group who will meet once or twice a month. The day and dates hopefully will be in place.

For more information - speak to young folks in that group - or their parents.

More news on this next month.

Berriew W.I.

Our new President, Sue Usmar, welcomed everyone to the December meeting and after a short business meeting she introduced the speaker, Roger Foulkes, whose talk was about 'Travelling in Kachkah, Turkey'. This proved to be a most enthralling adventure presented with interesting slides. The quiz was won by Joyce.

We joined with the Church choir for our annual Carol singing, but unfortunately we chose a very wet, windy night so proceedings were slightly curtailed and everyone quickly returned to the Old School where Jill, Margaret, Sue and others had provided warm mulled wine and delicious eats.

In December we also had our Christmas lunch. This year the venue was Themes Restaurant and everyone was delighted with the well presented tasty meal.

Congratulations went to two members, Edna Roberts on reaching her 90th birthday, and Betty Parker on her 60th Diamond Wedding anniversary. Well done to both of them.

The dominoes team were congratulated on their determined efforts and wins but unfortunately did not quite reach the final.

The January meeting began with Sue wishing everyone Best Wishes for the New Year and welcomed a new member, Ann Markwick.

We welcomed Edward Parry as our January speaker whose talk was 'Exploring Churches'. He gave a most enlightening talk about the history and development of Anglican/Welsh Churches and illustrated his talk with interesting slides. He was thanked by Sue.

The quiz 'Spot the Cathedral' was won by Joyce who obviously knows her Cathedrals as she gained full marks.

Next month, Wednesday 5th February, we meet in the Community Centre at 7.15p.m. when the evening speaker will be Yoland Brown talking about Zanzibar and the Slave Trade. In March, Wednesday 5th, we visit the Lych-Gate Tea Room to see demonstrations by Sarah Cullen-Jones and sample some of her delights. Why not make a New Year resolution and give W.I. a go!! All welcome.

Ann Dixon

THANKS

Many of our readers will be sorry to hear that Canon Michael Cross passed away in December. Prior to becoming a member of the clergy, he was a much respected partner with the Montgomery Veterinary Practice, and will be remembered with gratitude by the local farmers.

Mrs. Cross and the family were very touched to receive so many cards and letters of condolence and also to see friends from Berriew at the funeral, which took place at Grange-over-Sands. They send their sincere thanks to all concerned.

THE ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

The episode of the Antiques Roadshow that was filmed at Gregynog last summer will be shown by the BBC on Sunday 25th May. No doubt there will be lots of familiar faces to spot.

Annette Dowling / Assistant to
the Director, Gregynog.



NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN BERRIEW BOWLING CLUB AS A PLAYER OR SOCIAL MEMBER YOU ARE WELCOME, ALL AGES, ANY GENDER. PLEASE CONTACT MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY JANET THOMAS

ON 01686 640680 OR janet-thomas@hotmail.com who will be pleased to provide you with further details and an application form.

HIRE OUR CLUBHOUSE

THE CLUBHOUSE IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE FOR WEDDINGS, CHRISTENINGS, BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS, FUNERAL TEAS AND MEETINGS ETC... FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT SUE REES ON 01686 640418.

PETE JACKSON – PUBLICITY OFFICER – 01686 640436 – pete@biggerboat.uk.com

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The Berriew Newsletter annual fundraiser will take place on Saturday 12th April 2014, at Berriew Community Centre.

GOT A FEW MINUTES TO SPARE?

Match the word for the female of the following:

Choose ten from these:

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| 1. Ass | > | Bitch | < |
| 2. Boar | > | Cow | < |
| 3. Fox | > | Doe | < |
| 4. Gander | > | Ewe | < |
| 5. Giraffe | > | Goose | < |
| 6. Hare | > | Hen | < |
| 7. Rooster | > | Jenny | < |
| 8. Sheep | > | King | < |
| 9. Tomcat | > | Mare | < |
| 10. Zebra | > | Queen | < |
| | > | Sow | < |
| | > | Vixen | < |

Answers in next months Newsletter.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for my hand-made cards, telephone messages, cards, presents and visits on my Birthday. I enjoyed my day very much, my grateful thanks to all. I would also like to wish everyone a happy new year and good health.

Henry Cookson.

RECIPE

Pineapple and Ginger Muffins.

300g self raising flour	150g glace ginger, chopped
1tsp ground ginger	115g glace pineapple, chopped
125g butter, chopped	160ml milk
150g caster sugar	2 eggs, lightly beaten
90g desiccated coconut	2 dsp golden syrup

Makes 12 muffins

1. Set the oven to 200c, gas mark 6.
2. Grease a 12 hole muffin pan or use pretty paper muffin cases.
3. Sift the flour and ground ginger into a large bowl and rub in the butter.
4. Stir in the sugar, coconut, glace ginger and glace pineapple.
5. Add the milk, eggs and golden syrup.
6. Spoon the mixture into the prepared pan.
7. Bake for 20-30 minutes until golden brown.

THE TOM CAT SPOT

Well here we are in February and isn't it good as the daylight hours become longer. It's time for the Six Nations, seed catalogues and sowing sweet peas.

A warm welcome to Martin, the new landlord at The Lion, and I wish him every success. You must try his specially produced Aberhiw ale, which is very smooth but has a kick like a mule.

I will be popping up in the Newsletter from time to time with a few local observations. The one this month is "where are the snowdrops." They do seem to be late surfacing. Mind you who can blame them after all the wet weather we have had!! So until next month – keep smiling.

Tom Cat.

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CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

If you represent one of Berriew's clubs, associations or organisations etc... that hasn't already come on board, please get in touch and we'll be happy to tell you all about it.

ADVERTISING

We want to encourage more businesses to advertise on www.berriew.com and for only £25.00 for 12 months advertising, you can't go wrong. Please contact Martin Archer on 07585 772855 or e-mail martin@archer5.plus.com to discuss your requirements.

The Berriew Community Website has been created with the assistance of grant funding from Powys Connections and is supported by the Berriew Community Council.

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Cheers, Pete Jackson, Chairman.

BERRIEW NEWSLETTER

Chairman/Editor: Val Wallis

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THE ANDREW LOGAN MUSEUM OF SCULPTURE

The Andrew Logan Museum of Sculpture in Berriew has been established since 1991. For the past five years we have undertaken Outreach Creative Workshops in Primary Schools, Secondary Schools, Care Homes and for institutions in the surrounding area in Montgomeryshire and at the Museum.

We are proposing to enlarge the Museum, in the next few years, to be able to provide creative workshops, courses and events throughout the year in a multi-purpose Education Room. There will also be a Library, new disabled-friendly toilets, an enlarged shop and accommodation for two visiting Tutors.

We will be approaching the Heritage Lottery Fund, Arts Council Wales Lottery Fund , CyMAL and private sponsors to realise this project.

We believe that the Museum can become a creative hub for this part of Montgomeryshire, support the Welsh Government's desire to develop creative tourism in Wales and support the local economy.

We are currently undertaking a Business Development Plan and Community Consultation, part funded by Glasu which is supported by the EU and the Welsh Government, to determine how we move forward and determine what local people would like to be able to do.

Questionnaires have been distributed within the village; they are also available at the Spar Shop.

We would be grateful if completed questionnaires could be delivered back to the letterbox at the Museum as soon as practical (apologies that this was not clear on some of the questionnaires).

Many thanks,
Michael Davis
Chair of ALMoS Board of Trustees
M. 07976 693 895

20 January 2014

Let's Knit Local. Berriew Knitting Club.

Meets Refail Assembly Room the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm – 8pm.

Contact Jennie: 01686 941813

Email: the_oracle_jennie_@hotmail.com

Next meeting Tuesday 11th February at 6pm

If you have never knitted or purled a row before, or held a crochet hook and would like to learn, or are an experienced knitter and would like to join our other expert knitters to help others learn, come and have a cup of tea with our friendly group.

Jennie Campbell

Note from the Treasurer.

The Committee are always grateful for donations received and hope to use them economically and efficiently to keep up the news service to Berriew.

We would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Bayliss, Mr. & Mrs. P. Jones, Mr. & Mrs. B. Pearce, Mrs. E. Green, Mr. S. Thomas and The Talbot Hotel for their contributions.

Mrs. P. Hall
Treasurer

Diary of Events

Wednesday 5 th February	Berriew W.I. Meeting 7.15pm
Tuesday 11 th February	Berriew Knitting Club 6pm.
Thursday 13 th February	Berriew Community Council Meeting 7.30pm.
Wednesday 19 th February	Closing date for March Newsletter.
Wednesday 5 th March	Berriew W.I. Meet at Lychgate Cottage Tearoom.
Every Thursday	Yoga at the Refail 10am.
Every Friday	Whist at the Bowling Club.
Every Friday	Bridge Club at the Refail from 7.30pm.
1 st Sunday monthly	Berriew F.C Quiz at the Talbot Hotel.

EDITOR'S POSTSCRIPT

Well Christmas seems long gone and forgotten and here we are with the first issue of the Newsletter for 2014.

Just before Christmas 'The Village Lady' – Iris Jerman passed away. Iris had written her little piece for many years in the Newsletter. We send our condolences to her family.

This month we do have a new spot entitled 'The Tom Cat' – watch this space!

I have received an email from the National Library of Wales at Aberystwyth. They are requesting copies of the Newsletter to add to their national collection. There is no problem with providing them with current issues, but they would also like to have as many back issues as possible. So if anyone has back issues they would like to donate to the National Library please contact me on: 01686 641875.

The closing date for the March Newsletter is Wednesday 19th February.

All articles and correspondence left in the Newsletter Postbox must include a name and address and/or telephone number. Anonymous items will not be published.

Finally thank you to everyone who has helped in the production and distribution of this Newsletter.

Val Wallis/Editor