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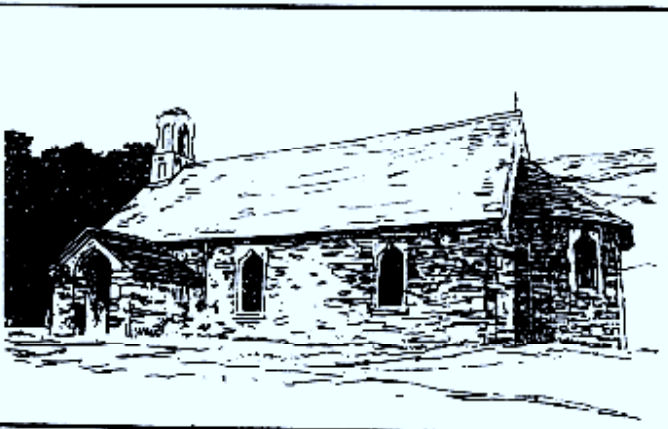
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ISSUED QUARTERLY

LLANSILIN PARISH CHURCH

WITH LLANGADWALADR CHURCH AND
RHIWLAS MISSION CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES

Llansilin

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	10.00am
	Sunday School	10.00am
2nd Sunday	Matins	10.00am
3rd Sunday	Holy Communion	8.30am
4th Sunday	Cymun Bendigaid	9.00am
	Evensong	6.30pm
5th Sunday	Family Service	10.00am

Llangedwyn

1st Sunday	Evensong	6.30pm
2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	8.30am
3rd Sunday	Family Service	10.30am
4th Sunday	Holy Communion	10.30am
5th Sunday	Matins	8.30am

Making Decisions

*Lord, it is so hard to know
which way to choose,
which way to go.
But you know how
my life can best be spent;
lead on, then, Lord,
and I will choose
to live in you,
and only walk
where you would have me go.*

Llangadwaladr and Rhiwlas Churches

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	Rhiwlas	2.30pm
2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	Llangadwaladr	2.30pm
3rd Sunday	Matins	Rhiwlas	2.30pm
4th Sunday	Matins	Llangadwaladr	2.30pm

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CHAPEL SERVICES

Mawrth 2ail	Gweinidog	Bethesda	6.30pm
Mawrth 9fed	Mr Eric Greene	Soar	2.00pm
Mawrth 16eg	Gweinidog (Cymun)	Rhiwlas	6.30pm
Mawrth 23ain	Mr T M Ellis	Bethania	10.30am
Mawrth 30ain	Parch Iwan Lewis	Salem	2.00pm

Ebrill 6fed	Gweinidog	Cefn Canol	10.30am
Ebrill 13eg	Parch John Tudor	Bethesda	2.00pm
Ebrill 20fed	Gweinidog	Soar	6.30pm
Ebrill 27ain	Parch Gwilym O Jones	Rhiwlas	6.30pm

Mai 4ydd	Gweinidog	Bethesda	10.30am
	Cymanfa Ganu Seion		
Mai 11eg	Mr John Arfon Jones	Salem	2.00pm
	Cymanfa Ganu yr Annibynwyr		
Mai 18fed	Gweinidog	Cefn Canol	10.30pm
	Sul Ieuencid		
Mai 25ain	Mr Arthur Hughes	Bethesda	2.00pm

GWEINIDOG/MINISTER: Y Parch Stanton Evans, 20 Croeswylan Lane, Oswestry
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THE VICAR'S LETTER

As we "go to press", an important document has flopped on to the doormats of clergy and P.C.C. secretaries all over the diocese: the report of the Archbishop's Commission on Pastoral Reorganisation. Their "brief" was to suggest how the pattern of ministry and pastoral care on the Diocese of St. Asaph could best be adapted and improved to meet the challenges of the coming century; in particular they were asked to suggest ways by which the church might progress from "Maintenance" to "Mission" - sally out from behind our defences, as you might say. Their principal recommendation is to transform the present Rural Deaneries into "Mission Deaneries". Individual parishes and groups of parishes would remain, with a parish priest for each group, but their skills would also be available for deanery activities planned and carried out in partnership with the laity, and voluntary lay ministries would be encouraged as part of this development. To make deaneries in the Archdeaconry of Montgomery (this Southern part of the diocese) more viable it is proposed to reduce the four existing Rural Deaneries to three new Mission Deaneries, each under an "Area Dean", and this would involve the transfer of our group of three parishes to the deanery based on Welshpool, while our neighbours higher up the Tanat Valley and in Llanfyllin would unite with the deanery of Caereinion. The parochial church councils will have a chance to debate these proposals during the next few months, as will the deanery conference, so that any comments, protests or suggestions can reach the Archbishop by the end of May. Meanwhile the report includes five sessions "for discussion, reflection and prayer", which I propose to use as a Lent Course, meeting at the Vicarage on Fridays at 7.30pm from February the 21st onwards. If you are interested, please bring a Bible with you. So as we approach Passiontide and Easter the themes of trans-formation and rebirth will take on an immediate and practical dimension this year. Whatever pattern finally emerges will inevitably involve some changes, perhaps painful ones, but as the first page of the report puts it, "to believe in the permanence of anything except God is close to idolatry". God bless you and grant you new life in him, this coming Eastertide and always.

Kit Carter

CHURCH SERVICES PASSIONTIDE AND EASTER 1997

Maundy Thursday	27th March	Holy Communion	Llangedwyn	7.00pm
Good Friday	28th March	Devotions	Llangedwyn	10.00am
	(service of Readings, Prayers and Hymns)			
			Llansilin	2.00pm
Easter Day	30th March	Holy Communion	Llansilin	8.00am
		Holy Communion	Llansilin	10.00am
		Holy Communion	Llangedwyn	10.30am
		Holy Communion	Rhiwlas	2.30pm

THE EASTER VESTRY will be held at the Institute Llansilin
on Thursday April 10th 1997 at 7.00pm



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

PLYGAIN - LLANSILIN CHURCH - FRIDAY DECEMBER 6th 1996

The Vicar - Rev C F Carter opened the proceedings of the Plygain service which is now held annually at St Silin's Church. More than six parties and individuals took part. The service was organized by Mrs Eirianwen Pugh. After the service refreshments were served at the Institute (organized by Mrs Vera Evans). At the close the male choristers joined together to sing the Welsh traditional carol Y SUPER. Thanks were accorded to the lady members for the refreshments.

CAROL SERVICE - LLANSILIN CHURCH - FRIDAY DECEMBER 13th 1996

The School Childrens' Carol Service attracted a large congregation. A Nativity Play was performed by the infants. All the children sang beautifully. A solo was given by Samual Pickup Tynllyn, a duet by Bethan Ellis Henlle Whittington and Heulwen Jones Tymawr. Pianoforte solos were given by Toby Scott Clyrun Fach and Jonathan and Stephen Sockett Moeliwrch. The collection amounted to £165.00. This was later donated to the Hope House Childrens' Respite Hospice at Morda.

CAROL SERVICE - METHODIST CHAPEL - RHIWLAS - TUESDAY DECEMBER 24TH 1996

This year it was the turn of the Methodist Chapel for the Annual Joint Service. The Rev C F Carter took the service in the absence of the Rev Stanton Evans who was ill. The service was well attended. The collection was taken by Rhian Griffiths Tynllwyn and Aled Jones Fron Ucha and was forwarded to "Shelter".

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES - LLANSILIN CHURCH

Both the midnight service and early morning service were well attended. In the absence of the Vicar the midnight service which was held in candlelight was taken by John Davies the retired Bishop of Shrewsbury and the early morning service by Canon Ridgeway of Rhydycroesau.

MOTHER'S UNION

The December meeting was the Annual Christmas Party which this year was held at the Wynnstay Inn. Members and friends enjoyed an excellent meal which was followed by a quiz organized by Mrs K Jones. At the January meeting the Enrolling Member Mrs Glenice Jones opened the meeting with a short service. An interesting talk with slides was given by Mrs Kaye Hughes Laurels on her recent visit to her son Paul in Australia. Thanks were accorded and refreshments were served.

What is TIME?

TIME FOR EVERYTHING

Time to work - is the future price of success
Time to think - it is the source of power
Time to play - it is the secret of perpetual Youth
Time to read - it is the foundation of Wisdom
Time to be friendly - it is the road to happiness
Time to dream - it is hitching your waggon to a star
Time to love and be loved - it is the privilage of the Gods
Time to look around - it is too short a day to be selfish
Time to laugh - it is the music of the Soul
Time to pray about all things
Time to live - that is what time is for
Time to play with children - it is the Joy of Joys
Time to be courteos - it is a mark of a gentleman.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING (continued)SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School continues to flourish. We meet in the institute on the first Sunday of most months. Anyone and everyone is welcome to come and join us for an hour of fun. Jesus' love is for us all and that's the only doctrine or dogma that is passed on.

44 of us descended on the Pola at Welshpool to see 101 Dalmations. Thankfully the manager had let us book but if there's a next time we'll organize the seats better. Thank you to the church for paying for Sunday School members tickets and for the scholars' Christmas presents. Sorry they've been late getting distributed blame flu, chicken pox etc!!!.

We've been quite active lately. Llanwddyn fun day, Llanyblodwell Christingle service etc. Our next event is Mothering Sunday in our church on 9th March at 10.00am. Llangedwyn are coming to join us. The family services have been most successful - who'll forget Tammy the puppy?. Wait and see what happens in June.

LLANSILIN CHURCH SIDESMEN'S ROTAMARCH

2nd	Mrs Beryl Jones	9th	Sunday School children
16th	Miss Olive Jones	23rd	Mr Wynn Hughes 9.00am
		23rd	Mrs Brenda Jones 6.30pm
30th	Church Wardens		

APRIL

6th	Mrs Beryl Jones	13th	Mr Harry Ogden
20th	Miss Olive Jones	27th	Mr Lloyd Edwards

MAY

4th	Mrs Beryl Jones	11th	Mr M Withers-Green
18th	Miss Mary Morris	25th	Mr Dan Jones 9.00am
		25th	Mrs Kathleen Jones 6.30pm

JUNE

1st	Mrs Beryl Jones		
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If you are unable to collect on any of these dates, would you please arrange for someone else to do it. Thank you.

FLOWER AND CLEANING ROTA - MARCH TO JUNE

<u>March</u>	2nd and 9th	Mrs Alma Jones & Mrs Sheila Withers-Green - No Flowers
<u>March</u>	16th and 23rd	Mrs Kaye Hughes & Mrs Brenda Jones - No Flowers
<u>March</u>	30th	Mrs Nancy Williams & Mrs Pat Rootes - Flowers please
<u>April</u>	6th	Mrs Nancy Williams and Mrs Pat Rootes
<u>April</u>	13th and 20th	Mrs Vera Evans and Miss Morfudd Williams
<u>April</u>	27th	Mrs Margaret Lloyd and Miss Mary Morris
<u>May</u>	4th	Mrs Margaret Lloyd and Miss Mary Morris
<u>May</u>	11th and 18th	Mrs Kathleen Jones and Mrs Betty Evans
<u>May</u>	25th	Mrs Megan Evans and Mrs Bronwen Taylor
<u>June</u>	1st	Mrs Megan Evans and Mrs Bronwen Taylor

If again any of these dates are unsuitable for anybody, would you please arrange for someone else to do it. Thank you.

FUN QUIZ ANSWERS

1. 3 Sides of a Triangle
2. 12 months in a Year
3. 747 Jumbo Jet
4. 49 Seven Sevens or Seven Squared
5. 13 Unlucky for some
6. 10 Green Bottles (hanging on a wall)
7. 3 Bags of Wool (Ba ba Black Sheep)
8. 8 Furlongs in a mile
9. 26 Letters of the Alphabet
10. 01703 Dialling Code for Southampton. Thank you everyone who said Shrewsbury had a 4 in it - I know it does! I also know Southampton doesn't!
11. 6 Bowls in an over in cricket (I accepted "balls")
12. 3 Wise Men
13. 25 Percent is a quarter (24 sheets of paper are 1 quire) generally but 25 accepted
14. 30 Days in Sept, April, June & November
15. 2 Peas in a pod
16. 50 = L in Roman Numerals
17. 22 Yards in a chain
18. 3 Sisters (Play by Chekhov)
19. 10,000 Duke of York's Men
20. 14 Lines in a Sonnet
21. 14 Pounds in a stone
22. 2 Wheels on a bike or 2 Wings on a bird
23. 2 Babes in the Wood
24. 23 The Lord is my Shepherd. (Psalms of David)
25. 3 Blind Mice (See how they run)
26. 1 For the Pot
27. 600 Into the Valley of Death Rode the -
28. 5 November, Gun Powder Plot
29. 8 Legs on a Spider (possibly scorpion too)
30. 18 Inches in a cubit
31. 77 Sun Set Strip
32. 30 Pieces of Silver
33. 1901 Queen Victoria Died
34. 969 Years Methuselah lived
35. 50. 50p an old T-B- Say it aloud - answer at the end of quiz
36. 2 Halves make a whole
37. 18 Holes on a Golf course
38. 12756 Kilometres - Diameter of the Earth
39. 1 Two, Three Four Five (Once I caught a fish alive)
40. 3 Little Kittens(They lost their mittens)
41. 1642 Year Isaac Newton was born
42. 1000 Gramms in a Kilo
43. 3 Little Pigs
44. 33 Rev per minute (Long Playing Record)
45. 24 Black Birds - Baked in a Pie
46. 6 Seven Eight Nine Ten (Then I let him go again)
47. 1 is one and all alone and even more shall be so (From Green Grow the
48. 11 Players in a Soccer Team Rushes oh)
49. 64 Squares on a chess board
50. 13 Bakers Dozen
51. 60 seconds in a minute
52. 2 Turtle Doves (Twelve Days of Christmas)
53. 999 One less than a thousand
54. 1564 Year Galileo Galilei was born
55. 9 Lives of a cat
55. 21 Spots on a Dice
56. 3 Queen's Sons - Charles Andrew and Edward - come on all you "Queens of Scotland" what about Mary Queen of Scots!

continued:-

57. 39 Books of the old Testament
58. 1 a penny, two a penny, Hot Cross Buns
59. 3 Wheels on my wagon - and I'm still rolling along
60. 2 Queen Elizabeths of England
62. 20 in a score
62. 15 Players in a Rugby Team
63. 57 Heinz Varieties
64. 3 Funnels on the Queen Mary
65. 6 Georges, King of England
66. 2 Little boys had two little toys (Remember Rolf Harris sang this)
67. 39 Steps (John Buchan)
68. 10 Centimetres in a Decimetre - 10 Centilitres in a Decilitre
10 Cents in a Dime etc, etc, etc!!
69. 72 Half a gross. 1 gross 12 dozen, half a gross = 6 dozen = 72
70. 22 Players in a cricket match
71. 1812 Overture by Tchaikovsky
72. 121 Eleven Squared (11x11)
73. 40 Days and Nights in Lent
74. 1564 Birth of William Shakespeare
75. 52 Playing Cards in a Pack
76. 6 of one and half a dozen of the other
77. 70 Three score Years and Ten.
78. 10 Commandments
79. 21 Key of the door
80. 16 Sweet - and Never Been Kissed !!
81. 9 Planets in the Solar System
82. 4 Suits in a Pack of Cards
83. 6 Counties in Northern Ireland
84. 1 Man went to Mow, went to mow a meadow
85. 20,000 Leagues under the Sea (Jules Verne)
35. 50 an old Ten Bob

THERE WERE 4 ALL CORRECT ENTRIES

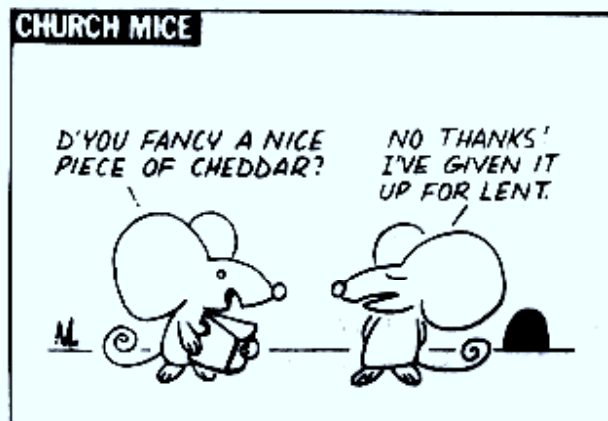
Mrs Nesta Morgan Greenacres and Mrs Rosemary Edwards Priddbwllch Ucha
Morris Family Golfa
"Beeston" Tyn y Berth
Rhian and Gareth Williams Bronheulog

The £10 winning entry was drawn on 16.1.97 at the monthly meeting of the
Mother's Union and was Rhian and Gareth's.

Both ticket sellers' prizes of £5 each were won by Mrs Phyllis Hughes Awelon -
who very kindly gave them back to the good causes.

£5 consolation prize Miss Norma Garment Llys Silin.

So far £88 has been raised. THANK YOU all who took part, I'm glad you
enjoyed it - another later this year.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>MARCH</u>				
Sunday	2nd	6.30pm	St David's Tide Joint Service	Bethesda Chapel
Sunday	9th	10.00am	Mothering Sunday Llangedwyn Choir and children will attend	Llansilin Institute
Thursday	20th	2.30pm	Mother's Union meeting	
<u>APRIL</u>				
Thursday	17th	2.30pm	Mother's Union meeting	Institute
<u>MAY</u>				
Thursday	8th	7.30pm	Ascension Day - Holy Communion Preacher: Rev Arthur Moseley	Llangadwaladr
Thursday	15th	7.00pm	Confirmation	Llanfair Caereinion
Sunday	18th	10.00am	Whit Sunday	Llansilin

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK (May 11th - 17th)

Sunday	11th	6.30pm	Joint Service	Bethania Chapel
Tuesday	13th	7-9pm	Coffee Evening (for Christian Aid)	Institute

LENT COURSE. At Vicarage on 5 Fridays from the 21st February, at 7.30pm (See Vicar's Letter).

Would anyone, adult or younger who would like to be prepared for Confirmation please contact the Vicar.

PARISH REGISTERS

December 13th	Burial	Enoch Charles Stokes	Bryntirion	Moelfre
		Llangadwaladr Churchyard		

PLEASE NOTIFY THE VICAR if you would like home communion, special prayers or if you know of anyone who is in hospital or ill at home.

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to this newsletter and, also an extra thank you for being so prompt in giving me the various articles etc.

DISTRIBUTION Margaret Lloyd - Tel:791472

THE NEXT NEWSLETTER will be produced on 1st June 1997.

If anyone would like to contribute, or has any useful suggestions or information please do not hesitate to contact Mary Morris - Tel:791223 before 1st May 1997.

NEWSFLASH: A man is in hospital after eating a bag of daffodil bulbs.
The police say he will be out in the spring!