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Sundays

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

Weekdays

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

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

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

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

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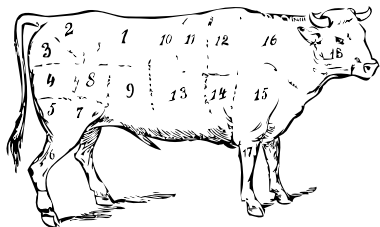
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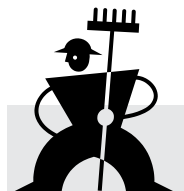
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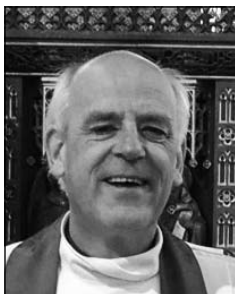
From the Rectory

Some people find February a particularly depressing month. The joys of Christmas are but a distant memory and, although there may be tantalizing signs of the coming of Spring, we may feel as if winter will never end. February 'fill-dyke' can be a rather miserable in-between time – a time of waiting.

With Easter being fairly late this year, February is also an 'in-between' time in the church calendar. The Christmas/Epiphany season reaches its conclusion with the celebration of the Presentation of Christ at the beginning of the month, and we are left with just over three weeks before the beginning of Lent.

In our current calendar the Sundays leading up to Lent have the rather unimaginative names of 'Sundays before Lent'. Many people miss the old names for these Sundays – Septuagesima, Sexagesima and Quinquagesima (meaning 70, 60 & 50 days before Easter). But at least the new names remind us that the important season of Lent is near at hand and that we need to prepare for it.

In order to help us to do just that, two of these Sundays are given important themes: **Creation Sunday** and **Transfiguration Sunday**. Before



embarking on the spiritually demanding season of Lent, with our thoughts turning to the passion, death, and resurrection of the Lord, we are firstly given an opportunity to celebrate God as creator of the universe of which we are part. We can rejoice

in the beauty of the world around us and see it as the expression of God's creative Love.

Then, on the Sunday before Lent, the theme is the Transfiguration of Christ on the Holy Mount – that wonderful moment when Peter, James and John were privileged to see the glory of Christ's divinity shining out through his mortal flesh. This is a particularly appropriate theme for the days leading up to Ash Wednesday. The main reason for the Transfiguration was to make the disciples listen to what Jesus was trying to teach them – that he was going to Jerusalem to die on the cross and to rise again. So in keeping Transfiguration Sunday we are being prepared for our commemoration of Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

Transfiguration is also an important theme for the Sunday before Lent because Lent is very much about **our** need to be transfigured into the likeness of Christ. Lent is a time to grow closer to Christ, indeed to grow more

like him. To be changed into his likeness.

So, let's use these 'waiting days' of February to prepare ourselves for the keeping of a good Lent and a deeper celebration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Details of parish activities for Lent '17 will be available in the course of

the month, but in the context of our preparation to put into effect the new Church in Wales policy of welcoming all the Baptized to receive Communion the overall theme will be what it means to be a 'Eucharistic People'.

With my best wishes and prayer,

Fr. John

News and Notices

A note about St. David's Day

This year there is an unfortunate clash of dates in our liturgical calendar, with Ash Wednesday falling on March 1st.

Without a doubt Wales as a whole will continue to celebrate Dewi Sant on the usual day. The church, however, has to give precedence to Ash Wednesday even in Wales as it such an important



In January Sheena and Michael Tattersall celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary and shared this with the congregation by bringing some lovely cakes to be eaten with coffee after the Sunday morning service.

day in the calendar. For this reason St David will be celebrated on the eve of March 1st (28th February).

Therefore, at St. Tudno's we will celebrate St. David with a service on Sunday 26 February at 11.00 am and at Holy Trinity, we will celebrate with a Eucharist at 11.00 am on Tuesday 28 February.

150 Club Report

The December draw was held during the coffee morning on the 11th January 2017 by Father John Nice.

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

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| 1 | No 35 | |
| | Wendy C-Stewart | £90 |
| 2 | No 45 | |
| | Margaret Savage | £40 |
| 3 | No 44 | |
| | Andy and Maggie Leitch | £20 |

Congratulations to all the winners.

An updated list of all the winners is displayed on the notice boards in the Church hall and inside the main Church entrance.

Since this Club was started back in November 2013 we have paid out £5470 in prize money.

You could be one of our lucky winners. It is not too late to join the 150 Club. Forms are available at the back of the Church. The more people involved will mean that we will have bigger prizes



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and maybe more of them.

Do you know someone who would like to join in this great adventure? (Must be 16 years of age or over.) Maybe you have a friend or relative who may be interested.

May I again thank everyone for your continuing support in this project and wish you all the best of luck in future draws.

Terry Dewar (Promoter)



"To think that we grumbled when the Church used unintelligible archaic language!"

Carols Around the Christmas Tree

On Thursday 22 December a good crowd of people gathered about the



The Beulah Brass brass play at the Outdoor Carols.



The handbell ringers.

outdoor Christmas tree at Holy Trinity Church to sing carols. The singing was accompanied by Beulah Brass, the choir and the handbell ringers.

Holy Trinity at Christmas

The image, right, and the images on the next two pages show the beautiful Christmas flowers and decor inside Holy Trinity.

The Christmas celebrations began with outside carols on Thursday 22 December, see previous article. Christmas Eve brought the Crib Service at 5.00 pm which attracted 130 worshippers, 50 of them children and was followed at





11.30 pm by Midnight Mass. A Christmas Day Eucharist was held at 10.30 am.





St. Tudno's Church

The three services of Carols by Candlelight were held on Sunday 18 December and allowed the number of people attending to be seated safely and comfortably, with 68 people at 3.00 pm, 98 at 4.30 pm and 59 at 6.00 pm.

Each service was supported with beautiful music from a different group: Holy Trinity Choir at 3.00 pm, Holy Trinity Handbell Ringers at 4.30 pm and Cantamus Chamber Choir at 6.00 pm. Retiring collections were taken in aid of the Archbishop of Wales' Fund for Children and raised a total of £350.



Carol's by Candlelight at St. Tudno's. The crib (below), Holy Trinity Choir (opposite top), the handbell ringers (opposite centre) and the Cantamus Choir (opposite bottom).





During winter the church is open weekends and Wednesdays and Morning Prayer is said on Saturdays at 9.00 am (please check the weekly Bulletin for details). On Sunday 26 February there will be a service at 11.00 am celebration of Dewi Sant. There is no heating in the church but there will be a warm welcome and hot drinks and cakes will be served afterwards.

Christine Jones
Shirley Georgeson

Parish Fellowship

When Vernon invited Harry and I to join the Parish Fellowship, we were unsure just what to expect. However, we went along to a meeting and were made so welcome and found everyone so friendly that we decided to join. Later, having agreed to help out organising the speakers, I suddenly found myself being asked to be the leader after Michael and Sheena said they were moving to live closer to their family. Michael led the group so well that I knew he would be a hard act to follow! I felt honoured to have been asked and wanted everything to carry on in the same spirit as everyone seemed to really enjoy the meetings.

Vernon, as secretary, works tirelessly for the group and organises some very interesting and entertaining speakers for us. He wrote about the Autumn programme in last month's magazine and as I am sure you will agree, we

had a great variety of speakers and activities. The Christmas Party was a resounding success and I would especially like to thank Marion and the ladies who helped her to organise the delicious party food. Marion is also our treasurer and does a great job of keeping the books balanced! The Spring Programme follows this article and I am sure that you will agree with me that Vernon, once again, has managed to put a very interesting and varied list of speakers and activities together. I really can't thank him enough for all his hard work.

The Parish Fellowship meets in Holy Trinity church hall each Tuesday. The aim of the group is to provide loving friendship and interesting talks on a variety of topics during the Autumn and Spring months. The meetings start at 2.30 pm and take the form of a short time of worship, followed by our speaker and finishing off with a cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat. Our speakers give their services free of charge but ask that a donation be made to a charity of their choice. To enable us to do this, we have an annual subscription of £8. Guests are very welcome with a donation of £2 per meeting.

If you have a couple of hours to spare on a Tuesday afternoon, why not come along and join us, you will be made very welcome. To all our members, past, present and future I would like to say thank you for your friendship, care and support. I look forward to seeing you each Tuesday and hope that you will all

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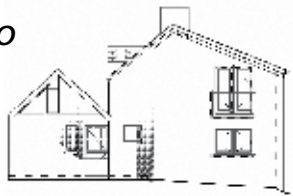
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Friends of St. Tudno's Church

The Friends had a busy weekend on 17 – 18 December for the Carols by Candlelight services. On the Saturday

some of the Friends were at the church from 10.00 am – 3.00 pm, fitting in extra seats, decorating the church and Christmas trees and setting out the candles. On the Sunday the Friends were back at 11.00 am to set out the path lights, prepare for and take part in the services and didn't leave until about 8.30 pm after clearing away the

candles and putting away the path lights. On both days the Friends were sustained with soup, mince pies and hot drinks and though the days were long everyone enjoyed the fellowship and it was worth all the effort to make the church look beautiful and enable everyone to enjoy the services. Many thanks to all who took part during the two days and to everyone who attended the services, it was wonderful to see so many people joining in this celebration of Christmas.

Christine Jones

The photographs (right) were taken during the Mothers' Union evening out at the Maesdu Golf C



Calendar for February 2017

Sat 4th	12.00 noon	Eucharist for Walsingham Pilgrims
Sun 5th	The Presentation of Christ	
		Services at the usual times for the 1st Sunday
Tue 7th	10.00 am	Julian Meditation Group followed by a short meeting at Stella Maris
Wed 8th	5.30 pm	Governors' Meeting at Ysgol San Sior
Thurs 9th	10.00 am	Guild of Health and St. Raphael Meeting
	11.00 am	Eucharist with the Ministry of Healing
Sun 12th	3rd Sunday before Lent	
		Services at the usual times for the 2nd Sunday
Sun 19th	2nd Sunday before Lent (Creation Sunday)	
		Services at the usual times for the 3rd Sunday

Tues 21st 10.30 am Cytûn Council – St. John's Methodist Church

Fri 24th **St. Matthias, Apostle & Martyr**

11.00 am Eucharist

Sun 26th Sunday before Lent (Transfiguration Sunday)

Services at the usual times for the 4th Sunday plus:

11.00 am Service at St. Tudno's for St. David's Day

Tue 28th) **St. David, Patron of Wales**

11.00 am Eucharist

March

Wed 1st

Ash Wednesday

11.00 am Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes

7.00 pm Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes

Attendance Figures for December 2016

		Weekday Eucharists to December 3rd	24
December 4th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	8
Advent 2	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	86
	4.00 pm	Christingle Service	44 Adults + 16 Children
December 6th	10.30 am -		
	2.30 pm	Archdeanary Quiet Day with Holy Eucharist	50
December 9th		Advent Prayers	-
		Other weekday Eucharists	19
December 11th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	12
Advent 3	10.30 am	Choral Matins	67
		Shortened Eucharist	17
	6.00 pm	Exploring Worship	22
December 16th		Advent Prayers	4
		Other weekday Eucharists	2
December 18th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	12
Advent 4	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	79
December 23rd		Advent Prayers	3
		Other weekday Eucharists	24
December 24th	5.00 pm	Crib Service	80 Adults + 50 Children
Christmas Eve	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	183

December 25th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	11 + 1
Christmas Day	10.30 am	Holy Eucharist with carols	149
		Other weekday Eucharists	40

Sunday Rota

Sunday 5 February

Reader	Vernon Morris
Sidespersons	Joyce Crosby Annabel Jones Doug Pritchard Pat Riddler
Eucharistic	Cath Lloyd
Ministers	Angela Pritchard

	William Maidlow
	Pat Riddler
Eucharistic	John Riddler
Ministers	Stan Whittaker

Sunday 26 February

Reader	Cynthia Poysner
Sidespersons	Linda Blundell Wendy C-Stewart Angela Pritchard Annabel Jones
Eucharistic	Angela Pritchard
Ministers	Cath Lloyd

Sunday 12 February

Readers	Peter La Trobe Ruth Hodgkinson
Sidespersons	Cath Lloyd Angela Pritchard Vernon Morris Barbara Yates
E' Minster	Marion Heald

Sunday 5 May

Reader	Christine Jones
Sidespersons	Joyce Crosby Cath Lloyd William Maidlow Barbara Yates
Eucharistic	Marion Heald
Ministers	John Riddler

Sunday 19 February

Reader	Norman Rimmer
Sidespersons	Marion Heald Ron Illidge

PARISH REGISTER

The Departed

December 30th: Ann Davis

*Service at Holy Trinity Church followed by
Cremation at Colwyn Bay Crematorium*

January 20th: Blodwen Davies, aged 89

*Service at Holy Trinity Church followed by
Interment at Llanrhos Lawn Cemetery*

The Great War – June 1917

William Davies

26208, Private, 2nd Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Died of wounds, 3 August 1917, aged 25

*Buried at Étaples Military Cemetery,
France*

William Davies, the son of William and Ellenor Davies, was born in Llandudno on 29 July 1892. In 1901, William (junior) lived with his parents, two brothers including David (qv) and a stepsister at 2 Bay View Terrace, Llandudno; his father was a general labourer. William attended St. George's National School which he left in July 1906. In 1911, the family lived at 13 Alexandra Road, both Williams were described as carters working for a cab proprietor.

On 4 June 1915, William volunteered to join the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at Llandudno. He was given the service number of 26208 and allocated to the 17th (Service) Battalion which he joined two days later. On 27 November 1915, William was posted to the 20th (Reserve) battalion and deserted the following day from the Morfa Camp at Conway. He was apprehended by the civil police at Llandudno on January 21, 1916. A district court martial sentenced him to nine months detention though he rejoined the 20th RWF on 5 July 1916 and returned to duty a month later.

William disembarked at Rouen on 20 August 1916 and joined 5 Infantry Base Depot the same day. He was slated to join the 14th (Service) Battalion but was posted the 1st Battalion on 2 September 1916 and joined it the following day. On 9 January 1917, he received a gunshot wound to the left forearm and was evacuated to 4 General Hospital at Dannes Carnier and then to Fulham Military Hospital where he was admitted on 22 January 1917. Once declared fit for active service, he embarked at Southampton on 18 March 1917 and joined 5 Infantry Base Depot at Rouen the following day. He joined the 2nd Battalion RWF on 3 May 1917 only to receive multiple gunshot wounds on 27 May 1917 during an attack on the German lines near Arras. He was evacuated by 101 Field Ambulance and 20 Casualty Clearing Station to 26 General Hospital at Étaples. William Davies died of his wounds on 3 August 1917 aged 25. He was buried at Étaples Military Cemetery.

Known memorials:

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

John Arden Bott

Captain, 17th Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) attached 5th

Died, 5 August 1917, aged 42

Buried at the Great Orme's Head Cemetery, Llandudno

John Arden Bott is not remembered on any of the Llandudno memorials but his grave is on the Great Orme within the Parish of Llandudno. He was born in 1874 at Somersal Herbert in Derbyshire, the son of Francis William Bott, who had interests in railways and banking, and his wife Emily Agnes Bott (née Werge). The Census for 1881 records Emily with three daughters, John (6), a governess and a nursemaid staying at 6 Royal Terrace, Weston-super-Mare, Somerset. Ten years later, John was recorded as a boarder at Chippenham Lodge, Bournemouth. He entered Trinity Hall College, Cambridge in 1893 and was an athletics "blue" in 1894. He was also a prominent oarsman.

When he left university, John married his cousin Alice Mary Bott in Kensington. Though the birth of their daughter Dorothy Alison Alicia was recorded in 1896 (she was baptised at St. John's, West Chelsea on 22 November 1896, her parents' address being the Langham Hotel) their marriage was not recorded until the following year. At about this time, John was noted as a railway contractor and engineer. The birth of another daughter, Phyllis Jeanette was

recorded at Epsom, Surrey 1898 – she was baptised at Banstead on 29 June 1898. A son Richard Edward Arden Bott was born in 1900 and baptised at Christ Church, Folkestone, Kent on 15 July 1900. A second son William John Arden Bott was born in St. Moritz in 1902 as was his brother Charles Arden Bott on 16 October 1904. This Swiss connection is not entirely unexpected for John Arden Bott, his sister May Bott and his wife Alice Mary Bott were prominent in winter sports. John was the Cresta Run skeleton bob champion of 1902.

In 1914, John Arden Bott joined the 17th (Service) Battalion (Empire) of the Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment). This battalion had been formed in London on 31 August 1914 by the British Empire Committee. On 14 October 1914, John received a commission as a temporary second lieutenant. He was promoted to temporary lieutenant on 27 January 1915 and to temporary captain on 4 August 1915. The 17th RF landed in France on 17 November 1915. In July 1916, John was wounded in action and evacuated to England and attached to the 5th (Reserve) Battalion which was based at Dover. On 5 August 1917 John Arden Bott died of heart failure at the St. George's Hotel, Llandudno aged 42. He was buried at the Great Orme's Head Cemetery. According to the National Probate Calendar, his home address was 64 Church Street, Kensington. He left his effects of £240

18s 10d to his widow.

Known memorials:

- *Trinity Hall, Cambridge Roll of Honour*

Edward Morris Hughes

3/25879, Private, 2nd Lancashire Fusiliers

Killed in action, 9 August 1917, aged 30

Buried at Level Crossing Cemetery, Fampoux, France

Edward Morris Hughes was born in Llandudno on 9 November 1888. He was the son of John Hughes and Margaret Hughes (née Jones). His known siblings were Elizabeth, Ellen, Thomas, John (qv), William and George. The Census of Wales for 1881, taken seven years before Edward was born, records the family living at “Bodlondeb”, Church Walks, Llandudno: John (senior) described as a carter. In 1889, one year after Edward’s birth, Margaret Hughes died and was buried in St. Tudno’s Churchyard, Great Orme’s Head; she was described on her headstone as the wife of John Hughes of 3 Cwlach Street. The Census of 1891 records Edward (2) living at Cwlach Street (recorded as “Victoria Cottages”) with his sister Ellen (20) and her husband Charles Williams. No census record of 1891 for either of the John Hughes can be found. At about this time, his father, John Hughes (senior), married Mary (surname unknown). The Census for

1901 records John (senior), his wife Mary and John (junior) (26) living at 7 Alexandra Terrace, Llandudno; no record for Edward can be found for that year nor can one be found for 1911. On 22 November 1915, Edward Hughes married Margaret Evans at St. George’s Church, Llandudno.

Edward Hughes’ service record no longer exists. From the scraps of information that are available, it would appear that he volunteered to join the Royal Field Artillery at the end of 1915. It is known that he enlisted in Llandudno. If this is the case, then he was given a day’s pay and called up around May 1916 – his RFA regimental number being 137574. Even though he volunteered for the artillery, the Armed Services Act of 1916 changed the rules and many volunteers who were recruited by the artillery were transferred to the infantry. In Edward’s case, he was transferred to the Lancashire Fusiliers in June 1916 with a regimental number of 3/25879. Other soldiers with close service numbers served initially with the 3rd Battalion and were posted overseas in April 1917. On disembarking in France, Edward Hughes was posted to the 2nd Battalion. This battalion was one of the regiment’s regular battalions which had been stationed at Dover on the outbreak of war, disembarking on 20 August 1914 at Boulogne as part of the British Expeditionary Force.

As part of the 12th Brigade in the 4th Division, the battalion was holding

the line near Arras on 9 August 1917. That day saw some enemy activity, the war diary reporting incoming artillery, mortars and grenades. It also recorded that six were killed that day. The six were all buried at Level Crossing Cemetery and included Edward Hughes aged 30. Commonwealth War Grave Commission records indicate that Edward's widow, Margaret Hughes lived at 2 Belle Vue Terrace, Great Orme's Head, Llandudno. This was her address before she married.

Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Llanrhos Parish War Memorial, All Saints' Church, Deganwy*
- *Mother's headstone, St. Tudno's Churchyard*

Jones, William Oliver

40657, Private, 7th Suffolk Regiment

Killed in action, 9 August 1917, aged 33

No known grave

William Oliver Jones, the son of Edward and Mary Ellen Jones was born in Llandudno on 5 August 1884. Edward Jones was the Welsh Wesleyan pastor in Llandudno from 1882 until 1885 after which he took up duties at Llanasa, Flintshire; in 1888 he was moved again to Talysarn near Caernarfon. The Census of Wales for 1891 recalls the

family living at "Glynafon", Talysarn. Ten years later, William was living at 7 & 9 High Street, Portmadoc and described as a draper's assistant. In 1909, William married Margaret Wellings (b Shrewsbury 1889). The Census of 1911 records William, Margaret and two young daughters living at 5 Royd Terrace, Colwyn Bay.

William Jones saw army service with both the South Staffordshire Regiment (as 2619) and the Suffolk Regiment (as 40657). From the former number, it was a Territorial Force enlistment and would have been for one of the "Home" battalions as the 1/5th and 1/6th South Staffs disembarked in France in March 1915. A soldier with a close number in the Suffolks attested at the end of 1915 and was mobilised in mid-1916 and posted to the 3/6th South Staffordshire Regiment; he was transferred to the Suffolk Regiment in September 1916 and posted to the 7th Battalion the following month.

On 9 August 1917, the 7th Suffolks was in the front line near Arras. Early in the morning, the battalion withdrew so the front lines could be bombarded by artillery prior to raids being launched into the German trenches with "a view to killing any survivors, identifying information and destroying dugouts." The plan was executed and judged successful though the price, according to Commonwealth War Grave Commission records, was the death that day of 39 men from the battalion. Of those 39, 29 have no

known grave, including William Jones aged 33.

Known memorials:

Arras Memorial, France

Llandudno Roll of Honour

Llandudno War Memorial

Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church,

Llandudno

Coven War Memorial, St. Paul's Church

(South Staffordshire)

Walter Richard Barlow

*40738, Private, 2nd South Wales
Borderers*

*Killed in action, 16 August 1917, aged
37*

*Buried at Artillery Wood Cemetery, Ypres,
Belgium*

Walter Richard Barlow, the son of Richard and Sarah Barlow (née Virgin), was born in Kidderminster in 1880. The Census of 1881 records the family living in Kidderminster; Richard Barlow was a factory labourer and Walter (10 months) and an elder brother John (9). In 1891, the family lived at Farndon in Cheshire and Walter (10) was described as a scholar. Ten years later, he was employed on a farm at Churton by Farndon. Walter seemingly moved to Llandudno for on 4 November 1908, he married Elinor Owen (b Llandudno 30 April 1890) at St. George's Church, Llandudno. Both gave their residence as 2 Bay View Terrace, Great Orme, Llandudno and Walter's occupation was

as a groom. The groom and bride gave their ages as 25 and 20 respectively though Walter was actually 28 and Elinor 18. Their son John Richard Barlow was born on 8 June 1910. The Census for 1911 records Walter, Elinor and John Richard Barlow living with Elinor's mother, Laura at 2 Bay View Terrace, Llandudno – Walter was described as a greengrocer's assistant. A daughter Eleanor was born in 1912, a son Water Barlow was born in 1913, and a daughter Lilian was born in 1916.

Walter Barlow's army record is missing. It is noted that he enlisted at Llandudno and he probably attested at the end of 1915, joined the Reserve and was mobilised in mid-1916 into the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. His regimental number was 43701. He would have trained with one of the training reserve battalions and disembarked in France in c March 1917, joining an infantry base depot. It was not unusual at this time for soldiers on arriving in France to be transferred to a different regiment or corps and Walter Barlow was transferred to the 2nd Battalion of the South Wales Borderers with a new regimental number of 40738. The 2nd SWB was a regular battalion that at the outbreak of war had been in China. After returning to England, it served at Gallipoli and in Egypt before landing at Marseilles in March 1916.

Walter Richard Barlow was killed in action on 16 August 1917 aged 37. On that day, the 2nd SWB had been involved

in an offensive during the Battle of Langemarck, part of the Third Battle of Ypres or Passchendaele. He was buried at Artillery Wood Cemetery.

There is evidence that Elinor Barlow had a daughter Gladys (registered as Gladys I Barlow) in 1921. She married James Wright Duckenfield in early 1922 and their daughter Gwyneth L Duckenfield was born on 8 October 1922.

Known memorials:

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

Frank Johnson

235231, Petty Officer, Royal Navy

Killed in action, 20 August 1917, aged 29

Killed at sea – body not recovered

Frank Johnson's parents, Alfred Johnson and Emma Johnson (née Adams) came from Staffordshire. They were married at Wolverhampton in 1876 and moved to Llandudno, living at "Anglesey House/Richmond House", Church Walks – Alfred was described as a grocer's porter in 1881. Their youngest son, Frank, was born on 4 July 1889 at Llandudno. The Census for 1891 records the family of eight living at "Anglesey House", Alfred being described as a car driver. In July 1892, Frank was admitted to St. George's

National School, Llandudno. In 1901, Alfred was described as a driver groom.

Aged 16, Frank joined the Royal Navy on 7 November 1905 as a boy 2nd class", his period of engagement being 12 years from his 18th birthday. From his naval record, it appears that he first trained on HMS Emerald, stationed at Queenstown (Cobh) in Ireland though he soon moved to Devonport where he rotated between various training establishments and sea duties. The latter included HMS Implacable in the Mediterranean Fleet (1907) and HMS St. George on the South African Station (1908). He attended HMS Defiance, a torpedo school, in 1909 and later duties included HMS Collingwood on the Home Fleet (1911), HMS Ajax on the Grand Fleet (1913) and the submarine depot ship HMS Forth (1912 & 1914).

On 15 December 1914, Frank married Emma Jane Miller (b Torquay 1891) at the Parish Church of St. John, Torquay. The marriage register records that his residence was HM Submarine C15 and his rank as able seaman. The following year, he was posted to the submarine depot ship HMS Thames stationed at Harwich. In 1916, he was promoted to petty officer and in 1917 was transferred to another submarine depot ship at Harwich, HMS Maidstone and the 9th Submarine Flotilla. One of the submarines was E47, laid down at Govan in May 1916 and commissioned in October of that year. E47 was lost with all hands, including Frank Johnson

aged 29, in the North Sea on 20 August 1917. The wreck was discovered in 2002 about six nautical miles north-west of the Friesian Island Texel. Divers concluded that the submarine had probably hit a mine though this has not been officially acknowledged.

Emma Jane Johnson married Herbert Broadley in 1919 in Kent.

Known memorials:

- *Plymouth Naval Memorial*
- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*

Evan Hobson

21627, Private, 14th Gloucestershire Regiment

Killed in action, 21 August 1917, aged 29

Buried at Templeux-Le-Guerard British Cemetery

Evan Hobson, the son of John and Jane Hobson was born in Llandudno on 3 February 1888. The Census for Wales of 1891 records the family of four, John (25, a baker), Jane (27), Evan (3) and John (1), living at 5 Llwynrychain Terrace. In June 1892, Evan was admitted to St. George's National School, Llandudno. The younger John died in 1896 and another son, born in 1897 was also called John. In 1901 the family was living at "Ivy Mount", Tyn-y-Coed Road, Llandudno and included five sons: Evan

(13), Anthony (6), David (5 - qv), John (4 - qv) and William (2); and two daughters: Hannah (14) and Elizabeth (9). Three of the sons were to be killed in the Great War as well as Elizabeth's husband, John Basford (qv). Evan Hobson left school in October 1901. In 1911, Evan (23) was described as a coach painter in the Census of England, a border at 72 Matlock Road, Kingfields, Coventry.

Evan's service record no longer exists but from the scraps of evidence available, it would appear that he enlisted at Coventry in June 1915 into the Gloucestershire Regiment, his service number being 21627. It is probable that he joined and trained with the 14th (Service) Battalion (West of England) which had formed at Bristol as a Bantam Battalion on 22 April 1915 which indicates that he may have been short in stature. (A soldier with a close service number – 21625 – was 5'1" tall.) The 14th Glosters disembarked at Le Havre on 31 January 1916.

On 19 August 1917, the 105th Brigade attacked an objective known as "the Knowl" near Lempire, between St. Quentin and Cambrai. The following day, the 14th Glosters moved up as relief troops. On 21 August 1917, the battalion repulsed a German counter-attack which resulted in one officer and three other ranks being killed including Evan Hobson aged 29. He was initially buried at Sainte-Émilie Military Cemetery but later reinterred at Templeux-Le-Guerard British Cemetery.

Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Siloh a Hyfrydle, Llandudno*
- *His brother David's headstone, St. Tudno's Churchyard*

William Oscar Briggs

38486, Private, 10th South Wales Borderers

Killed in action, 28 August 1917, aged 19

No known grave

William Oscar Briggs was born in Llandudno in 1898. He was the son of William Bristol Briggs and Elizabeth Briggs (née Tarrant). The Census of Wales for 1901 records the family of three living at 3 Gloddaeth Street, Llandudno; William (senior) was described as a master draper. Ten years later, the family lived at 3 South Parade with Elizabeth's aunt Helen Tarrant. William's (junior, 13) occupation is not mentioned but it is known that he attended John Bright School in Llandudno.

William's service record is a little obscure. He enlisted in Bangor and his first known regimental number was 26045 in The King's (Shropshire Light Infantry). A soldier with a consecutive number, having been attested and transferred to the Reserve in 1916,

was mobilised in February 1917 and posted to the 3rd (Reserve) Battalion KSLI. A month or two later, both William Briggs and his brother in arms were transferred to the 3rd (Reserve) Battalion of the South Wales Borderers. William's new regimental number was 38486. In July 1917, William was posted to the 10th (Service) Battalion SWB which had been in France since December 1915 as part of the 115th Brigade in the 38th (Welsh) Division. It is noted that he was at some time attached to the 115th Brigade's Trench Mortar Battery.

The 38th Division played a minor role in the latter stages of the Battle of Langemarck attacking on 27 August. Heavy rain had fallen and the ground was saturated. The attack failed and there were many casualties. William Oscar Briggs was killed in action on 28 August 1917 aged 19. He has no known grave.

Known memorials:

- *Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium*
- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Llanrhos Parish War Memorial, All Saints' Church, Deganwy*
- *Ysgol John Bright Roll of Honour*

August 1917 will be concluded next month.

The Churchyards in January

By the middle of January signs of new life could be seen in all the church grounds.

At Holy Trinity some of the flowers in the troughs were still blooming while leaves and buds of daffodils were starting to appear.

At St. Tudno's new leaves and buds were developing on the primroses and lesser celandines, promising a good display in the coming weeks.

However it was in St. George's churchyard, probably the most sheltered of the three, where the greatest variety of flowers could be found. The cultivated geraniums and campanulas were still flowering, as was the wild geranium herb Robert, amongst the grass there were daisies and the first flowers opening on primroses and snowdrops, while new leaves of the three cornered leek were spreading near the churchyard



Herb Robert.

wall. The three cornered leek (*Allium triquetrum*) is a plant which was introduced from the Mediterranean and which has become naturalised in various part of the UK. The leaves have a strong onion scent when crushed and the white, bell-shaped flowers were already starting to open – the triangular stems of the flowers give the plant its



Primrose.



Campanula.



common name.

During January I gave a talk and slide-show on the flora and fauna of St. Tudno's churchyard to the Llandudno Garden and Horticultural Society and they were impressed by the variety of wildlife to be found in the churchyard throughout the year.

Christine Jones

Daisy (left), snowdrops (below) and three-cornered leaks (bottom).





COUGHS & SNEEZES

February seems to be the coldest time of the year – and most of us get a cold, complete with runny nose and sore throat.

Well, 3rd February is the right day to have a sore throat because it is St Blaise's Day. Legend says that St Blaise was on his way to be martyred when he saw a young child choking with a fishbone stuck in his throat. The saint touched the child and the bone was dislodged. This led to a custom of Blessing the Throats on St Blaise's Day which continues today in one London church.

Another way to celebrate the day was with big bonfires (before the Bonfire Night we keep in November was thought of) and that is probably why we say that bonfires blaze.

So you can sit in front of a blazing fire, sniffing into a tissue and think about the patron saint of sore throats.

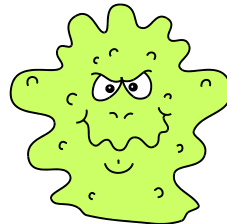


A COLD PUZZLE

All the words hidden in this word-search are to do with winter sniffles. Can you find them all?

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I	A	I	U	L	V	K	A	S	A
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C	K	O	O	E	R	P	R	U	N
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cold fever flu hankie influenza
linctus medicine nose pill
shivers sniffles tablet throat
tissues winter



What happen if your nose runs and your feet smell?

You're built upside down!

What sort of transport gives people colds?

A-choo-choo-trains.

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Coffee Time

Cryptics (thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright).

All places.

1. Island part of icy Prussia. (6)
2. Junior going on about island in the Med. (7)
3. Stick with artist outside small country. (6)
4. Points to organ in the country. (7)
5. You'll find it in a Siamese garden. (4)
6. Former partner chopped up tree in West Country city. (6)
7. State territory must follow queen. (8)
8. Near Johannesburg it's rainy mid-October. (6)
9. Some lasso horses in area of London. (4)
10. State region endless in operatic song. (7)

Results for January:

1. Prong
2. Pulse
3. Parts
4. Particle
5. Propel
6. Perpetrate
7. Pagoda
8. Peasants
9. Pair off
10. Periscope



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