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#### Sundays

- 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
- 10.30 am Sung Eucharist (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)  
Matins followed by shortened Eucharist (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)  
Family Worship (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday when applicable – Eucharist included in service or follows it)
- 5.00 pm Evening Prayer
- 6.00 pm Exploring Worship – in Church Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> 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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### St. Tudno's Church, Great Orme

- 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, guidance, the booking of baptisms or weddings etc.

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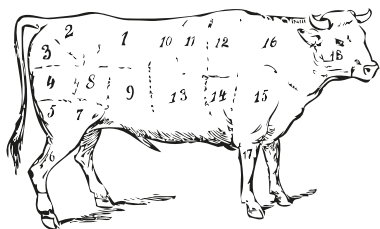
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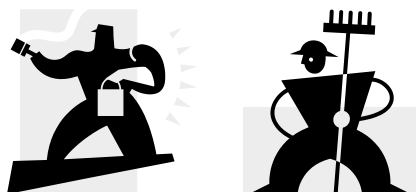
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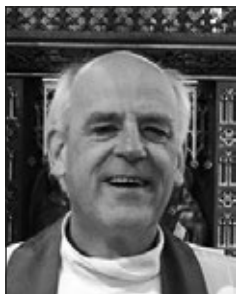
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## From the Rectory

This is, of course, my last magazine letter, prior to my retirement at the end of October. I want to begin by saying that it has been a great privilege to be Rector of the Parish of Llandudno for the last 13 years, and to have worked alongside such wonderful people. I will miss this beautiful town and our wonderful churches, but above all, I will miss **you** the people of Holy Trinity and St. Tudno's. Thank you to everyone with whom I have served over these years, for your support, your hard work, and your friendship and humour in Christ. There were some difficult times in my early years but overwhelmingly the experience has been an enriching and enjoyable one.

Just like every other priest I am aware that failure has been mixed in with success and that I have certainly (to quote the 1662 Prayer Book) 'left undone those things which (I) ought to have done; and....done those those things which (I) ought not to have done'. Thankfully, I think that most of my failures have been matters of **omission** rather than commission! My inertia has meant that there have been important things that we really should have done that didn't get done. I am particularly sad that I didn't push harder to have the Nave Altar Scheme at Holy Trinity carried out, and think that this scheme,



or something like it, will have to be tackled sooner or later. But there is much that we have accomplished together or that others – such as the Children and Young Family Group and the work of the fabric committee, just to give two examples, have accomplished with my support. The re-establishment of the healing ministry with the Guild of Health and St. Raphael, and the creation of the Friends group at St. Tudno's Church are two things I am proud of being involved with (together of course with many other people). I hope above all, that in some way I have brought Christ a little closer to you.

During my 13 years there have been some memorable acts of worship and events, among the most important of these being the 150th celebrations at Holy Trinity in 2015. It has been a great joy to preside at the Eucharist in the grandeur of Holy Trinity Church and in the simplicity of St. Tudno's; a privilege to be alongside many of you in times of joy and distress, of new life and of death.

I wish the parish – and all of you – every blessing for the future and will continue to hold you – and your new parish priest (whoever that may be) in my prayers. He or she will lead you to new things, whilst (I hope) continu-

ing this parish's tradition of dignified, sacramentally based worship. If I have one message for you it is this: remain faithful to Christ, to His Holy Church and to His Sacraments and continue to be welcoming to all in His name. It is a matter of great joy that both our churches were awarded the Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence this year (based on the comments of visitors), but even more joyful would it be if we drew more people, visitors and residents alike, to deeper faith in Christ.

Retirement for me is stepping down from holding an official position, not from being a Priest. I could no more cease to be a Priest than to be a Christian – for me both are intertwined. I hope to exercise a Priestly ministry in the area in which we will be living for as long as I am physically and mentally

capable of doing so, a ministry similar to the one exercised here by the small band of 'retired' clergy whose friendship and support I have deeply valued.

Gaynor and I will be delighted to see any of you who would like to visit us in Abergele, but please let us know you are coming so that you know we will be at home to welcome you when you call.

Meanwhile during the interregnum you will be in the very capable hands of Archdeacon Paul, the Area Dean Robert Townsend, and our wonderful Wardens – Geoff and Judith aided by the deputy wardens, Christine, Jennifer, Terry, Cynthia and Eira. A note on the arrangements for the interregnum follows this letter.

With my blessing in Christ,

**Canon John Nice SCP, Obl. Ben.**

## Arrangements for the Interregnum

The interregnum will officially begin on Wednesday 1st November although Fr. John's ministry as parish priest will effectively end after the Sung Eucharist on Sunday 29th October.

During the interregnum the parish will be under the capable care of Archdeacon Paul and Canon Robert Townsend (Area Dean). Archdeacon Paul hopes to lead worship here at least once a month.

Our Churchwardens Geoff and Judith, aided by the deputy wardens, will be in

charge as far as day-to-day matters are concerned.

### Worship

Sunday services will continue as normal except that there will be no 5.00 p.m. Evening Prayer.

It is hoped that the three usual celebrations of the Eucharist (on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday) will be continued throughout the interregnum. Major Saints days will be transferred

to the nearest day on which there is a Eucharist. There will be no Morning or Evening Prayer.

### Weekly bulletins

Terry Dewar will be producing the bulletin during the interregnum. Please inform him of any event to be included by the Wednesday preceding the Sunday concerned at the latest. (01492 873258 or at tdewar@btinternet.com)

### Pastoral Emergencies

If anyone needs a priest urgently, please contact the Revd. Noel Carter of the Aberconwy Mission Area (01492 339521).

### House Communions

Those who already receive Communion at home regularly will continue to do so. Anyone else needing home Communion should contact a Warden who will arrange it for you.

### Sacramental Ministries (Anointing of the Sick, Confession etc.)

Anyone needing a sacramental ministry should either speak to a priest after a service, or ask a Warden to arrange it for you.

### Baptisms, Weddings, Blessing of Marriages etc.

Enquiries about these should be made in the first place with the Churchwardens who will then consult the Area Dean before the arrangements are confirmed.

### Funerals in church

Funeral Directors will contact the Wardens who will then liaise with the Area Dean before the arrangements are confirmed.

### The appointment of a new parish priest and the future of the parish

If arrangements for this have followed the plan which Archdeacon Paul presented to the PCC in July, the post will have been advertised during September and interviews will be held towards the end of October. If someone is appointed following these interviews the new priest could be in post by February/March next year. Of course things might not follow this plan and the post might take longer to fill.

When the new priest is installed Llandudno will become an 'ordinary' parish rather than a Rectorial Benefice and he or she will be known as 'Vicar' (or Ministry Area Leader) rather than 'Rector'.

Though still legally a parish, Llandudno will effectively become a Ministry Area in line with almost the whole of the

rest of the diocese. It will be known as the Ministry Area of Llandudno. The boundaries will not change but in the

future the priest will share the pastoral care of the parish with a Ministry Area Team.

## News and Notices

### Guild of Health & St. Raphael

One of the most important aspects of the life of our parish is the Ministry of Healing, which is coordinated by members of the Guild of Health & St. Raphael. For some years we have offered the Laying on of Hands on a monthly basis and an ongoing ministry of prayer for those in sickness and need.

The membership of the Guild in our parish has never been large but we have so far had enough members to keep this ministry going and also keep it at the forefront of people's minds in the parish. However with my impending departure and Angela Pritchard's illness (Angela is our prayer secretary)

the number of active members of the Guild is much reduced.

For the time being if you have any prayer requests please let Marion Heald or any member of the Guild know. And please consider if God may be calling you to be part of this important ministry. You don't need to be any kind of 'expert' but simply believe that Healing (in the deepest sense) is an integral part of the life of the Church and needs to be properly conducted. We need your prayers and your support for the work of the Guild in Llandudno.

What is the commitment? The Guild usually meets every Thursday either to pray the Guild list in the Memorial

### Parish Fellowship Autumn Programme 2017

Tuesday October 17th	Opening Meeting and Eucharist at 2.00 pm
Tuesday October 24th	Dafydd Price "Crumbs"
Tuesday October 31st	Yvonne Mason "Richard the Third" (Victim or Villain?)
Tuesday November 7th	Gillian Wilkinson "Wild Life Trust Wales"
Tuesday November 14th	To be announced
Tuesday November 21st	Geraint Griffiths "Walking to Remember"
Tuesday November 28th	Carol Marrubi "My time as Mayor"
Tuesday December 5th	Closing Meeting with Xmas Party and Carols

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**Father John**

### 150 Club Report

The draw for August was held during the Coffee morning event on the 14th September 2017 by Father John Nice.

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

1st	Number 113	
	Christine Jones	£90
2nd	Number 41	
	Sheena Tattersall	£40
3rd	Number 144	
	Pauline Bigby	£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.

The next draw will take place on Wednesday, 11th October 2017 during the coffee morning about 11.00 am.

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

**Terry Dewar (Promoter)**

### Thank you

I would like to thank all the many people of our Parish Family who have sent cards, gifts of flowers and food, text, e-mailed, telephoned, visited and, importantly, prayed for me and for Doug. I am overwhelmed with gratitude and uplifted by your love and care and ask that you continue to pray for us.

Christ taught us that we should love one-another, you have shown me and Doug that love is very much at the heart of 'The Parish of Llandudno.'

Thank you

**Angela Pritchard**



Brian recited the 39 articles as he did up each button



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## Rector's Reception

As you will be aware Fr. John retires on 31 October. His last service in the parish will be on 29 of October at 10.30 am. This will be followed by a



...if you have been affected by any of the issues raised in this sermon...

light reception held in the church hall.

If you would like to attend this you **must** tell Judith or Geoff ASAP – by 14 October at the latest.

The hall is only insured for 80 people so this will be the maximum number permitted so it is essential to book early.

**Judith and Geoff**

## Sunday School

*This item should have appeared last month. Apologies. Ed.*

The children did a lot of activities in preparation for Sea Sunday including making paper boats, colouring pictures





and making a collage. They also wrote their own prayers and placed them in a bottle. Great fun was had in the inflatable dingy although it was on dry land !

The following week it was actually Sea Sunday and a family service took place led by Rev Mike Harris which was well attended by our young families.

The congregation took part in writing a prayer request or thank you and placed them in bottles as well but we didn't send them to sea. They also saw what the children had prepared in Sunday School and listened to the story along with the children who did the actions from the dingy.

Our Sunday School has reopened after the school holidays but we are welcoming back our young families.

**Sandra Davies**

### **Conwy Food Bank**

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

In August a total of 58 parcels were issued, 24 to families which included 41 children, 29 to single people and 5 to couples.

Donations are taken to our storeroom and made into parcels to suit single people, couples or families and contain enough nutritious food to last around a week. Referrals are made to us for food

parcels by professional organisations who are aware of the predicament of the person or family. Food parcels are taken to delivery points to be collected by the recipients or to be delivered by their referrer/ support worker. Most of the food in the storeroom is given by donations from the public.

Financial donations are very welcome. Our running costs are very low – we have to pay for insurance and one-off purchases such as shelving and trolleys, and occasional volunteer expenses. We also have a paid co-ordinator, Tony.

The rest of the money donated is for buying perishable food and baby goods as needed, including fridge items which cannot be donated.

Without your generosity we could not help people in crisis.

Thank you once again for your kindness

**Conwy Food Bank**

### **Holy Trinity Churchyard Car Park**

As many of you will be aware, discussions have continued throughout this year about the proposals to improve safety in the car park. I can now report that these proposals were approved by the PCC at its meeting on 7th September, and the contract has been awarded to a local firm, Menai Paving and Construction. Work is expected to commence in the first week of December and last one week. We are aware that this is a busy time in the car park,



so if it turns out that the firm cannot complete the work at this time, then we will defer the work until the New Year.

To summarise the proposals: removable bollards will be inserted between the Tower and the disabled parking spaces to create a largely traffic free zone around the main entrance to the Church. The West Gate will remain open for access by Church staff to the reserved spaces, and also for use by taxi's. For those of you familiar with the details on the ticket machines, this proposal is only enforcing what already exists, but has been neglected over the years. Two spaces by the new bollards, opposite the disabled spaces will be painted with no parking hatched yellow lines for vehicles to turn-round. Bi-directional arrows will be painted on the surface to remind drivers of two-way traffic, and white dividing lines, and a stop line will be painted at the barrier entrance. We have asked Conwy Council to consider painting yellow lines on the corners outside the barrier entrance to improve visibility. The hazardous, cracked paving slabs will be replaced by tarmacadam – anyone who wants some crazy paving, let me know! Finally, and not least, we will finally be able to dispense with the unsightly collection of rusting, wind prone, signs, and the traffic cones, that currently litter the churchyard. It is our hope that the works will be completed in time for the carols round the tree, and other events, which will be able to take place in the traffic free zone created by the bollards.

We will keep you informed of further details as we receive them. Please don't hesitate to ask me if you have any questions.

**William Maidlow**

### **The Churchyards in Summer**

My diary tells me that Autumn officially starts on 22nd September. Some of you may feel it started rather earlier this year. This report covers the summer period – remember that!

#### **Holy Trinity Churchyard**

The large trough planted by the Guides with bedding plants purchased from Bryn Euryn Nursery continues to exceed expectations, attracting many admiring comments. The notice board planters, planted by Bryn Euryn staff, also continue to look very colourful, hopefully the bees are also appreciative. We are delighted that Wendy Campbell-Stewart has agreed to assist with the upkeep of the troughs adjacent to the Church, all part of our efforts to encourage more church members to join in looking after the troughs, and broaden our appeal. CAIS continue to cut the grass under contract, I hope that you will agree that their helpful, flexible and pleasant disposition is a positive asset for our Church. Re-seeding the car park spaces has finally been completed, although it might be added that the main beneficiaries may well have been the local pigeon population, whose eyes must have lit up, and

crops bulged, at this ecclesiastical distribution of fast food. However, I remain sanguine about the prospects of improved drainage during the wetter months. I suspect I will not be able to dispense with my fence stake just yet! We shall see. Thanks are also due to Terry Dewar for his quiet and constant work behind the scenes in the car park, and so much else at Holy Trinity, especially the floodlights which make such a difference to the Churchyard as the dark evenings approach.

#### **St. George's Churchyard**

Jenny and Tony have continued to devote loving care and attention to the Memorial Garden, and on a warm sunny day the seat that overlooks the Memorial Garden can be said to be one of the most tranquil places in Llandudno. Our relationship with the owners of the Church, which we hoped would lead to a fruitful and constructive partnership, has not worked quite as well as we had intended. Yes, the grass has been cut, but it is clear that we need to define our intentions in more detail so, before Spring next year, we will need to produce a Management Plan for the Churchyard which sets out our aims and objectives.

#### **St. Tudno's Churchyard**

The Churchyard Trail, and the associated leaflets for adults and children, commissioned by the Archdeacon in early May, have attracted a favourable response from visitors. Children have particularly enjoyed the grave rubbing

activity. We do encourage church members to invite visitors to try out the Trail, it can be a very rewarding way of engaging with visitors and sharing our faith in this most delightful of places. The process of replacing the shed doors, which were on the verge of imminent disintegration, and associated repairs, has commenced, and we hope that you will agree that the results are a great improvement, and will enable the sheds to yield good service for many years to come. Did I hear someone mention a St. Tudno's Tea Room? Now there's a thought, after all did there not used to be a very successful tea room below the car park? Our dependable gardening gang from CAIS (see Holy Trinity, above) have also commenced work in the Churchyard; early days as this report is written, but they have a lengthy list of jobs to do and we extend the familiar St Tudno's welcome to all members of the CAIS group. Do please stop and have a chat if you find them at work in the churchyard either at Holy Trinity, or St. Tudno's. Looking further ahead, the end of season working party, putting away the benches, raking the grass, and tidying the Church, will take place on Saturday 14th October, starting at 10.00 am. We would be grateful for as much help as possible, so please bring friends and be prepared for some fresh air and exercise. Jobs will be found for everyone and anyone, irrespective of age, strength or ability – woolly friends included. We need YOU!!

## Awards

We are pleased to report that Holy Trinity Churchyard received a Silver Gilt award in the Llandudno in Bloom competition. The award, one higher than last year, represents a recognition of the efforts of all those who ensured the Churchyard looks its very best, not just for the local competition, but also as our contribution to the town's participation in the Wales in Bloom, and Britain in Bloom competitions, which also included St. Tudno's. In the latter two competitions, the judges look particularly for evidence of community involvement, and I am delighted to report that Llandudno gained a gold award in the Wales in Bloom awards. We are grateful too for the lovely flower display, created for the Awards event by Ann Rimmer. So, to everyone who came along and helped out at our working party to tidy up the Churchyard, a big thank you!

And finally...

...a much better testimony to the Churchyards than these words can express can be found in the outstanding photographic record of the seasonal changes in our three Churchyards compiled by Christine. Christine's pictures can be seen in the Churchyards' Album, lovingly maintained by Jennifer Fossi, and on the Parish website. The Album forms the centrepiece of the displays we are asked to provide for the In Bloom competitions. If you haven't seen the Album recently, do have a word

with Jennifer. Lastly, it's good to see Eira Jones, one of our Churchyard Group members, out and about again following her hip operation and, of course it's never too late to come and join us. You can be assured of a warm welcome.

**William Maidlow**

## St. Tudno's Church

Sunday 20 August was sunny and warm. Revd David Jenkins led Morning Worship and Charles Jones played the keyboard. There was a congregation of 41 – and one dog. Two sheep had visited earlier, going inside the church, but decided that they were too busy to stay for the service! Hymns included "Majesty", "Colours of Day" and "Will Your Anchor Hold". The theme of the address was faith, healing and perseverance.

The Friends of St. Tudno's led the service for Morning Worship on Sunday 27 August. It was yet another fine day and there was a congregation of 28 and three dogs this time. Ray Stythe-Jones played the keyboard and hymns included "For St. Tudno's Strong Foundation" and "Our God Reigns". The reflection prepared by the Rector was based on Matthew 16 vv 13-20, about knowing Jesus as the Messiah, the son of the living God. The annual open-air service of Songs of Praise was held in the afternoon, when a number of mostly well known hymns were chosen and introduced me members of the con-



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*Songs of Praise service at St. Tudno's.*

gregation and it was interesting to hear the reasons for the choices. Llandudno Town Council was represented by the past Mayor, Cllr Carol Marrubi, who chose "Lord of the Dance". Christine had chosen a hymn which nobody else there knew ("By the Breadth of the Blue" by Henry van Dyke, to the tune *Hickling Broad* by Geoffrey Shaw) and so this was rehearsed before the service.

It was a wet day for Morning Worship on Sunday 3rd September and the service was therefore held inside. Revd Mike Harrison led the service and David Harrison played the keyboard. Considering the bad weather there was a reasonable number of 21 in attendance. Hymns included "How Great Thou Art" and "Walk in the Light". The theme of the service was celebrating the Celtic saints Aiden and Cuthbert, whose feast days occurred around that time, and also John Bunyan. Bunyan's allegory of finding salvation, *Pilgrim's Progress*, was reflected on during the address and

Revd Mike suggested that Christians should look for salvation on earth as well as in heaven and should consider how we can help to make earth a better place. A shortened Eucharist followed and this service ended with the rousing hymn "Shine, Jesus, Shine".

Sunday 10 September was windy and a little wet so Morning Worship was again held inside. Revd Derek Simpson led the service and Daphne Balchin played a new keyboard that had very kindly been donated. Hymns included Glorious things of thee are spoken and "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven". The theme of the address was how we like to think that we are self sufficient but actually need to receive God's love and to offer God's love and help to others. After the service, some of those walking home saw beautiful rainbows very low over the sea.

The weather was fine on Sunday 17 September and Revd Mike Harrison

led the service while Daphne Balchin played the keyboard. Despite the good weather there were only 14 people plus one dog in the congregation. However, the dog joined in nearly all the hymns (one bark per hymn!), which included "Be Still for the Presence of the Lord" and "Immortal, Invisible". The theme of the address was service in the community. In the afternoon members of the Llandudno branch of Soroptimists International held a service at St. Tudno's to celebrate the International Day of Peace. The service was led by members of the group and included Bible readings, poems and prayers on the theme of peace.

St. Tudno's Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 8 October at 4.00 pm. The service will include a collection of tins and packets of food for Conwy Food Bank

and will be followed by refreshments. St. Tudno's will be open every day up to and including Sunday 5 October, then will be open weekends and Wednesdays over winter.

**Shirley Georgeson  
Christine Jones**

### **Friends of St. Tudno's Church**

The Friends held a coffee morning at Holy Trinity on Saturday 9 September. The morning started very wet, which restricted the number of customers to start with, but raised £173 for St. Tudno's funds. Many thanks to everyone who helped at or supported this. The Friends have been raising money to replace the screen doors at St. Tudno's and the new doors have just been fitted.



*Members of Llandudno Branch of Soroptimists after their service at St. Tudno's.*





*Friends' coffee morning at Holy Trinity Church Hall.*

Due to a considerable delay in the Faculty being granted the old doors were starting to fall apart and the new doors are a huge improvement in function and appearance. The old doors obscured the arched doorways at St. Tudno's but the new ones follow the shapes of the arches so that the church now looks much more attractive.

Restoration of the east window was part of the same Faculty application and the window panels had been removed at the beginning of the summer. Some of the Friends were delighted to be there when the glass was returned in the middle of September and to learn from the restorer some of the intricate work which had been involved.

On Tuesday 19 September the Friends welcomed Year 5 from Ysgol San Sior to



*North door.*



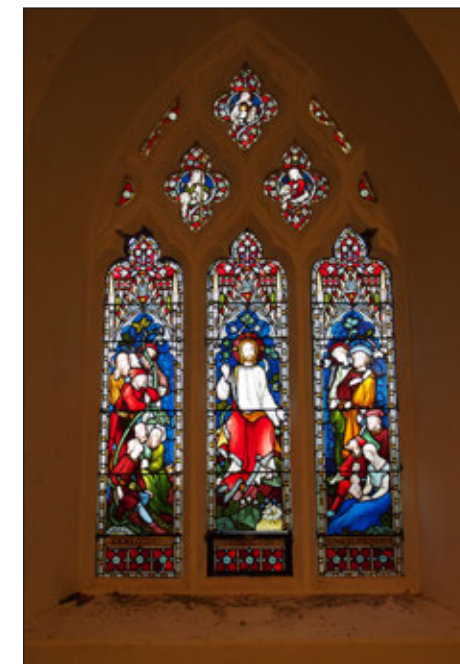
*West door.*

St. Tudno's. The children, their teacher Mrs. Hughes and other helpers walked up the Great Orme in beautiful weather to spend the day exploring the church and churchyard. After a welcome, prayer and introduction the class was split into three groups for a "round-robin". Vernon and John showed the children around the church, William and Marie examined at children's graves and Christine and Terry looked at wildlife and carvings in the churchyard. After a picnic lunch the children made rubbings of grave inscriptions and looked for ages of death during the Victorian

period. Everyone had a very enjoyable day and we hope to include reports from the children in a future magazine.

The Friends' AGM will be on Saturday 7 October, beginning with the Friends' Eucharist at St. Tudno's at 2.00 pm. The short business meeting will be held in Holy Trinity church hall at 3.30 pm and will be followed by the annual slide show and afternoon tea. Please tell Vernon or Christine if you would like the tea (cost £5.00). Membership renewal will be due at the AGM.

The St. Tudno's autumn working party will be held on Saturday 14 October, beginning at 10.00 am. The main jobs to be completed will be putting away the benches and raking and removing the cut grass. Other tasks include cleaning



*East window.*





*Children from Ysgol San Sior exploring St. Tudno's churchyard.*

the church and making teas and coffees (cake will be available too!), so there will be jobs suitable for everyone. This is always a very sociable occasion and

even if you can join us for only an hour your help would be much appreciated.

**Christine Jones**

## LLAWN05

The annual Llandudno Arts Weekend, LLAWN05, now in its fifth year, was held on the weekend of 15 - 17 September. The theme this year was "I see a creature" and so included "The Migration Art Attack", where green giant monster tentacles were breaking out of the Victoria shopping precinct, and old horror films about monsters shown at the Tabernacle.

The Promenade was where the main

attractions were held and Shirley and I went along to some of the events. The first one was "Magic Butterfly", which was a virtual reality experience by RewindVR and the Welsh National Opera, which lets you experience animals dancing to The Magic Flute and a performance of One Fine Day from Madam Butterfly. We also enjoyed watching "Mr. and Mrs. Clark Electioneering", where the characters used a fictitious self help CD as a guide to becoming a politician



*Migration Art Attack.*



*Mr and Mrs Clark Electioneering.*

in a very funny way, including various expressions and hand gestures, to try persuade the public to vote. How did we vote? You will have to ask me!

Another very funny performance was "Gary and Pel's Car Crash Wedding". Gary and Pel have just got married and they invite members of the audience for their wedding photo, then they are off on their honeymoon but their car

breaks down. Their silly arguments, laughter, wild dancing and comedy ensue. Will there be a happy ending? The next performance we watched was Hijinx' "Pin, Curl and Dyesome", a comedy where strolling players in masks give a new hair-do. So watch out – you could have pink or green hair!

Then on Sunday we saw Rob Auton's "Hair Show" at Clinton James Hairdressers, which was a very funny comedy. It was previously at the Edinburgh Fringe and Rob Auton speaks for an hour about hair!

One again, this year a LLAWN05 proved to be an amusing and enjoyable arts weekend.

**Rob Georgeson**





*Pin, Curl and Dyesome.*



*Gary and Pel's Car Crash Wedding*

## Calendar for October 2017

<b>Sun 1st</b>	<b>Trinity 16/Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity</b>	Services at the usual times – the 10.30 am service will be a Harvest Family Eucharist
<b>Tue 3rd</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<i>Julian Meditation Group at Stella Maris</i>
<b>Sat 7th</b>	<b>2.00 am</b>	Friends of St. Tudno's Church AGM and Eucharist at St. Tudno's, followed by:
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	AGM at Holy Trinity
<b>Sun 8th</b>	<b>Trinity 17/Harvest Festival at St. Tudnos</b>	Morning services as usual for the 2nd Sunday
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Harvest Festival at St. Tudno's
		There is no 5.00 pm Evening Prayer at Holy Trinity
<b>Wed 11th</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<i>Bible Society Annual Quiz at Seilio United Welsh Church. £3 including refreshments</i>
<b>Sat 14th</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Working Party at St. Tudno's
<b>Sun 15th</b>	<b>Trinity 18</b>	Services as usual for the 3rd Sunday
<b>Tue 17th</b>	<b>2.30 pm</b>	Eucharist for Parish Fellowship followed by the opening meeting of the season
<b>Wed 18th</b>	<b>Luke, Evangelist</b>	
	<b>9.00 am</b>	Holy Eucharist
<b>Sun 22nd</b>	<b>Trinity 19</b>	<b>Services as usual for the 4th Sunday plus:</b>
	<b>12.30 pm</b>	Holy Baptism
<b>Sat 28th</b>	<b>Simon and Jude, Apostles</b>	
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Bilingual Eucharist
<b>Sun 29th</b>	<b>Last Sunday after Trinity/Bible Sunday/Father John's last Sunday in the Parish</b>	
	<b>10.30 am</b>	Sung Eucharist – this is the only service in the parish today. The service will be followed by a reception in the church hall. Spaces limited, see page 14.
	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<i>Bible Society Bible Sunday Service at Gloddaeth United Church. Speaker: Gwyn Harry</i>





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## Attendance Figures for August 2017

		Weekday Eucharists to August 5th	29
August 6th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	15
Transfiguration of	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	75
Our Lord	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	4
August 9th	10.15 am	Funeral Mass for Trish Howard	158
		Other weekday Eucharists	21 +2

August 13th Trinity 9	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	14
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	59
	5.00 am	Evening Prayer	5
		Other weekday Eucharists	30
August 20th Trinity 10	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	10
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	71
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	4
		Other weekday Eucharists	29 + 2
August 27th Trinity 11	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	16
	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	71
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	22

## Sunday Rota

### Sunday 1 October

Reader	Yvonne Mason
Sidespersons	Joyce Smith Linda Blundell Annabel Jones Sue Stafford
Eucharistic Ministers	Cath Lloyd John Riddler

### Sunday 8 October

Readers	Ruth Hodgson Peter La Trobe
Sidespersons	Vernon Morris Wendy C-Stewart Doug Pritchard Cath Lloyd
E' Minister	Marion Heald

### Sunday 15 October

Reader	Marion Heald
Sidespersons	Joyce Crosby Pat Riddler William Maidlow Marion Heald
Eucharistic Ministers	Angela Pritchard Stan Whittaker

### Sunday 22 October

Reader	Angela Pritchard
Sidespersons	Annabel Jones Ron Illidge Angela Pritchard Barbara Yates
Eucharistic Ministers	Marion Heald John Riddler

### Sunday 29 October

Reader	Sandra Davies
Sidespersons	Linda Blundell Sue Stafford Doug Pritchard William Maidlow
Eucharistic Ministers	Cath Lloyd Judith Williams

### Sunday 5 November

Reader	Vernon Morris
Sidespersons	Joyce Smith Sandra Davies Cath Lloyd Wendy C-Stewart
Eucharistic Ministers	Angela Pritchard Stan Whittaker

## The Great War – July 1918

### Arthur Thomas Clarke

*15530, Private, 16th Royal Welsh Fusiliers*

*Killed in action, 3 July 1918, aged 27*

*Buried at Varennes Military Cemetery, France*

Arthur Thomas Clarke was born in Birmingham in 1890. He was the son of William Adcock Clarke a brass castor, formerly a clerk, and his wife Ellen Clarke (née Allcoat). The Census for 1891 records the family living at Aston. William Clarke was 45 years older than his wife and he died in February 1893 aged 71. The Census of Wales for 1901 records Ellen Clarke employed as a general domestic servant living in Deganwy Street, Llandudno. Census records for the same year indicate that Arthur may have been living in Birmingham. Ten years later in 1911, the Census records Arthur (20) living with his mother and stepfather, Enoch Jones, at “Craig Lea”, Penrhynside, Llandudno – he was employed as a wagon tipper (quarry).

Arthur Clarke’s army record no longer exists but is known he enlisted at Llandudno and judging from his regimental number of 15530, he volunteered in September 1914, joining the 10th (Service) Battalion of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. This battalion formed at Wrexham in October 1914 as part of Kitchener’s

third new army (K3). The battalion disembarked in France in September 1915. Shortly before the battalion had disembarked, Arthur returned to Llandudno to marry Jane Jones.

On 24 February 1916, Arthur Clarke contracted influenza, passed through the 52nd and 51st Field Ambulances and recovered at the divisional rest station. Having left his battalion, Arthur was now officially posted to his infantry base depot. It would appear he returned to light duties for his medal award roll indicates that he was attached as a servant to an officer on a course, a servant to an officer in hospital, and to Headquarters 113 Brigade. At a date unknown, he was posted to the 16th (Service) Battalion RWF.

Arthur Thomas Clarke was killed in action on 3 July 1918 aged 27. At the time, the 16th RWF had relieved the 17th in the front line near Forceville, in the Somme between Arras and Amiens. The line had been subject to enemy bombardment and Arthur was the only soldier of the battalion to have been killed that day. He was buried at Varennes Military Cemetery.

In the meantime, Arthur’s son, William A Clarke, had been born in the spring of 1916. It is not known if Arthur was ever to see his son.

### Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Penrhynside War Memorial*
- *Llanrhos Parish War Memorial, All Saints’ Church, Deganwy*

### Ivor Davies

*229490, Gunner, 251st Brigade Royal Field Artillery (Territorial Force)*

*Died whilst a prisoner of war, 8 July 1918, aged 30*

*Buried at Niederzwehren Cemetery, Germany*

Ivor Davies, the son of John and Ellinor Davies, was born in Llandudno on 13 April 1888. The Census of Wales for 1891 records the family living at 6 Gloddaeth Crescent, Llandudno: John Davies employed as a mason and Ivor (2) the youngest of eight children. From 1895 until 1902, Ivor attended Lloyd Street School, Llandudno. Both the 1901 and 1911 censuses record Ivor living at the same address – in the latter he is recorded as a plumber. In 1915, Ivor married Phoebe Jones of Old Colwyn and their son Hugh N Davies was born in 1917.

It would appear that Ivor and Jane lived in Old Colwyn as that is stated in the publication *Soldiers Died in the Great War*. Little else is known about Ivor’s service career though it is known that

he enlisted at Wrexham and his service number was 229490. This indicates that he was probably called up in 1916 or 1917. His unit when he was taken prisoner on 27 May 1918 was the 251st Brigade of the Royal Field Artillery. This was a Territorial Force first line brigade in the 50th Division. On the day he was taken prisoner, the Germans made a major attack now known as the Third Battle of the Aisne and the 50th Division was pushed back. German records indicate that Ivor was captured at “Marne”, had been wounded in the thigh and was moved to Giessen POW Camp in Germany. His wife’s address was recorded as “Church Walk”, Colwyn Bay.

Ivor Davies died as a result of gas poisoning on 8 July 1918 aged 30. He was buried at Giessen Military Cemetery. In 1923, his body was reinterred at Niederzwehren Cemetery.

### Known memorials:

- *Llandudno Roll of Honour*
- *Llandudno War Memorial*
- *Memorial Chapel, Holy Trinity Church, Llandudno*
- *Tabernacl Welsh Baptist Chapel, Llandudno*
- *Old Colwyn War Memorial*

## William James Roberts

*M/17128, Carpenter's Crew, HMS Anchusa, Royal Navy*

*Killed or died as a direct result of enemy action, 16 July 1918, aged 23*

*Body not recovered for burial*

William James Roberts was born on 26 December 1894 at Llandudno. He was the son of John Elias Roberts, a joiner, and his wife Ann Roberts (née Humphreys). William attended St. Bueno's Infant School and in 1898 attended St George's National School. The family lived at 14 Pen-y-Ffrith Terrace, Great Orme though by 1911, William (16) was lodging with his uncle, also William James Roberts, at "Anglesey Villa", Tyn-y-Coed Road, Llandudno and described as a grocer's assistant.

Unlike many of his contemporaries, William Roberts joined the Royal Navy and his period of engagement began on 19 November 1915. His stated occupation was as a joiner – perhaps it was this trade that enabled him to join the Navy as a carpenter. His number was M/17128 and he trained at HMS Vivid II, a shore establishment at Devonport. He was transferred to HMS Anchusa on 30 May 1917. The Anchusa was a Flower Class sloop which had been recently built to resemble a cargo ship but was in fact a Q-ship. The ship was torpedoed by the U 54 of the coast of Ireland on 16 July 1918 with the loss of 79 lives.

*Known memorials:*

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

## John Stanford

*47271, Private, 10th Sherwood Foresters*

*Died of wounds, 27 July 1918, aged 27*

*Buried at Harponville Communal Cemetery Extension, France*

John Stanford was born in 1890 in Smethwick, Staffordshire, the son of John Stanford and his wife Sarah Ann Stanford (née Hadlington). John Stanford senior was a grate moulder and in 1891 he lived with his wife and six children, John being the youngest, at 8 Flood Street, Dudley. Ten years later, the family lived at 28, Watery Lane, Smethwick – John now had four younger siblings. In 1911, a now-widowed Sarah Stanford lived with five of her children, John (20) being the eldest at 334 Stoney Lane, Smethwick. John was described as a moulder. John Stanford married Gertrude Fieldhouse in 1913 and their son John E F Stanford was born later that year.

John Stanford's service record no longer exists. His regimental number in the Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment) was 47271 which indicates that he was

probably called up in mid-1916. From his medal roll, the first battalion in which he served after disembarking in France was the 17th (Service) Battalion Sherwood Foresters which had landed in France on 6 March 1916. In February 1918, the 17th Sherwood's disbanded though whether John was transferred on this date or earlier is unknown. In any event, he was posted to the 10th (Service) Battalion which had been in France since July 1915.

On a date unknown, John Stanford was wounded and he died of his wounds on 27 July 1918 aged 27. In the days prior to his death, his battalion had been holding the line to the north of Albert. He was buried at Harponville Communal Cemetery Extension, the

graves in which are burials dating from June to August 1918.

It is not known whether John Stanford ever visited Llandudno. However, Commonwealth War Grave Commission records show that his widow, Gertrude, lived at "Sycamore Villa", Clarence Road, Craig-y-Don, Llandudno. Gertrude Stanford was living in Llandudno in 1939; she died in Birmingham in 1966. John E F Stanford was killed in Egypt in 1942 whilst serving with the South African Forces.

*Known memorials:*

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

## The Churchyards in September

The Wales in Bloom awards were announced during the month and Llandudno won first prize, gold, in its class of "Seaside town over 12,000 population". The Churchyards Committee and Friends of St. Tudno's are very pleased to have been able to contribute to this, with the judge's visit to St. Tudno's and the display on the three churchyards at the "Marketplace" event, so many thanks to everyone who helped. The results of Britain in Bloom will be announced at the end of October at the presentations which will be held at Venue Cymru – the first time this prestigious event has been held outside

a major city.

By September the big trough at Holy Trinity had reached its peak with a beautiful combination of flowers and foliage and plants such as the dahlias



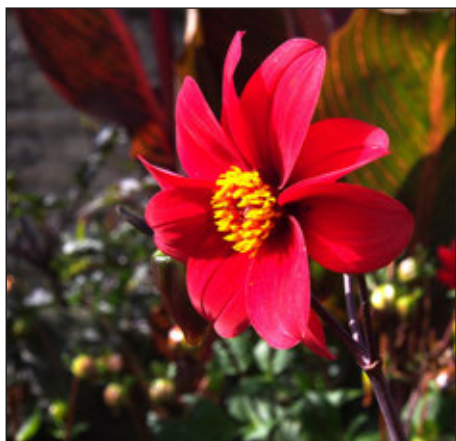
*Trough at Holy Trinity.*





*Golden marigolds at St. George's.*

continuing to attract insects. The other troughs and containers were also full of colour, while rowan berries were ripening on one of the trees in the grounds. At St. George's, golden marigolds provided a vivid contrast to deep pink ice plants around the Memorial Garden, while the fiery fox and cubs plants stood out in the grass. There were still some late flowering wildflowers in St. Tudno's churchyard, including ragwort, creeping thistle and knapweed which were providing food for insects. However, many other plants were producing seeds and the fluffy seed heads of



*Dahlia at Holy Trinity.*



*Fox and cubs at St. George's.*

thistles, dandelions and ragwort were ready to shed their seeds. The working party in October it timed to allow the plants to produce their seed before the grass is cut and removal of the cur grass then encourages more wildflowers to grow.

Many thanks to everyone who helps to maintain the churchyards for the benefit of parishioners, visitor and wildlife: the Guides, members of the Churchyards Committee and the Friends of St. Tudno's.

**Christine Jones**



*Dandelion seeds at St. Tudno's.*



## MIXED UP MONTHS

Words that begin with 'oct' mean to do with the number eight – an octopus has 8 tentacles, an octagon has 8 sides. So October should be the 8<sup>th</sup> month of the year, shouldn't it? But it isn't.



The reason goes back to Roman times. October was the eighth month in the Roman calendar until July was added to celebrate the birth month of Julius Caesar.

This was followed by Augustus who also added another month (guess what that one was called!). With these two extra months fitted into the calendar what was the eighth month became the tenth month. Which gets more muddled: because words beginning with 'dec' mean to do with the number ten, so under the old way December was the tenth month. Shall I stop now before we all get even more confused?

## OOOOOOOs

All these names begin with O – which ones aren't the real name of a saint?

1. Odo
2. Olaf
3. Osyth
4. Oliver
5. Olympias
6. Odilia
7. Omer
8. Oudoceus
9. Osburga
10. Ouen



**How does an octopus go into battle?**

Well armed.



**What's round, orange and can't sit down?**

A seatless Satsuma.



**Answers:** the answer is that they all are real saint's names! Aren't you glad that they didn't call you after some of these saints?

## The Bishop's Ministry Fund contribution for 2016 is £75000

This sum of money or "quotia" (formerly the "Parish Share") is paid by the parish contributing to the costs of clergy stipends across the diocese.

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## Coffee Time

### Cryptics (thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright).

All birds.

1. A hundred at the head of the line, but only one. (4)
2. Bird in the endless grass. (6)
3. Bird after dark in wind. (11)
4. Repeatedly imitate bird once. (4)
5. Bird on the road. (7)
6. Royal angler's bird. (10)
7. Big bird breathing heavily, endlessly. (6)
8. Those hooting at Sheffield Wednesday. (4)
9. Commanding Officer to return thus bald, perhaps. (4)
10. Pigs can't fly, but one pig might! (6)

### Results for September

1. Unreal
2. Urn
3. Upright
4. Unsettled
5. Uniform
6. Undergo
7. Umbra
8. Until
9. Usage
10. Undo



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