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Services

Holy Trinity Church, Mostyn Street

Sundays

- 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
- 10.30 am Sung Eucharist (1st, 3rd, 4th
& 5th Sundays)
- Matins followed by
shortened Eucharist (2nd
Sunday)
- 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)
- 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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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.

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.



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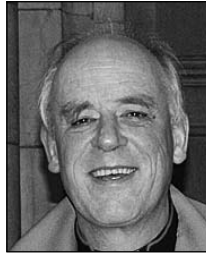
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From the Rectory

June is for me one of the most beautiful months of the year. Nature is at her best, the days are long and hopefully the weather is sunny and warm. This year June is a month for special celebration. It begins with the Diamond Jubilee weekend.

Even the most ardent republican has to admit that Queen Elizabeth has served our country with great devotion throughout the 60 years of her reign. Her sincere Christian faith has also been a source of great inspiration to



men and women of all faiths and none. Whilst prime ministers have come and gone the Queen has been a symbol of continuity in a society which has changed almost out of all recognition since the year of her accession. At our special

Jubilee service on Sunday June 3rd we join with our friends in the parish of Rhos-Cystennin and our fellow town-folk to give thanks for the 60 years of the Queen's reign. Our Bishop has kindly agreed to come and preach at this service, do come and join us on that occasion.



Eglwys y Drindod Sanctaidd, Llandudno
The Church of the Holy Trinity, Llandudno

Gwasanaeth Jiwibili Deimwnt y Frenhines
The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Service
3 Mehefin 2012 5.00 pm 3 June 2012

Cover of the specially-commissioned souvenir service booklet for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Service on 3 June.

The Jubilee is something special to June 2012. But June is always a month of celebration in our parish. It is in June that we celebrate the life of St Tudno, the founder and patron of the church in this place. This year our celebration of St Tudno will be rather strange in that because of the renovation work we won't be able to worship in his church! The Eucharist will instead have to be held in Holy Trinity, though we will have our pilgrim walk as usual including the visit to St Tudno's Well.

Another important Festival which usually occurs in June is Corpus Christi – the day when we give especial thanks for the sacrament of the Eucharist. I believe that frequent communion is a good thing for Christians and I have no doubt that Christ wants us to celebrate the Eucharist and receive Communion on a very regular basis. It is the chief way in which he renews his life within us. Having said that, there is a danger that we take this great gift for granted because it is so easily accessible. So it's good to have a day on which to stand back a bit and appreciate what is given to us in this sacrament.

By a happy coincidence this year, we will be holding our monthly healing Eucharist on Corpus Christi. When we first planned this I wondered if having the Laying on of Hands on this day would detract from the main theme of thanksgiving for Communion. But in fact I soon realised that it would actually enhance the commemoration; for if it is anything at all, the Eucharist is *itself* a sacrament of healing. In Communion Christ comes to us with all his healing love and power. In the 1662 rite of Communion the words said at the administration of the sacrament of Christ's Body were: '*The Body of Our Lord Jesus Christ, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life*'. These are words which denote healing, of mind, body and spirit. In the Eucharist Christ comes to offer life in all its fullness, life in abundance. How could we ever take that for granted!

June this year gives us a lot to think about and to celebrate doesn't it? And a bit of fine weather wouldn't come amiss either!

Fr John

News and Notices

Changes of Personnel

Following the Easter Vestry there are several changes of personnel to report. Marion Heald is retiring as Peoples' Warden, Barbara Scott retires as Sub-

Warden at Holy Trinity and Christine Jones steps down as Sub-Warden at St. Tudno's. Marion, Barbara and Christine have all given exceptional service in their time in office and were warmly thanked at the Easter Vestry and given



Barbara Scott with Father John after she had received flowers after retiring as Sub-warden of Holy Trinity.

flowers and gifts as a sign of our appreciation for all that they have done. All of them, we are glad to say are to continue in various roles in the parish. Because Christine has agreed to continue with many of her duties at St. Tudno's we are to create a new role for her as St. Tudno's 'Administrator'!

We are delighted to report that Geoffrey Howard was elected as the new Peoples' Warden and that Terry Dewar joins the ranks of Sub-Wardens at Holy Trinity and Shirley Georgeson becomes a Sub-Warden at St. Tudno's. We welcome them to their new positions.

The official hand-over to new wardens is on the date of the Bishop's Visitation on June 21st when the Churchwardens are sworn-in. For that reason the names of Wardens in the list of officials in this

edition of the magazine have not been changed. The period up to the Visitation is being treated as a 'change-over' period to enable the new wardens to learn their new duties.

Another change to note is that after many years of service on the PCC Stan Whittaker has decided to stand down. We are very glad to report that Stan is to continue in the various other roles he fulfils: Tower Captain, Fabric Committee Chairman, Car Park Supervisor, and Gift-Aid Secretary.

Fr John



Sorry we missed the fireworks display you organised for the Diamond Jubilee celebration, Rector – how did it go?

HTC 150: some initial thoughts

5th July 2015 marks the 150th anniversary of the laying of the Foundation Stone of Holy Trinity Church in 1865, although the Church itself did not open its doors for worship until

1874. A group has begun to meet to plan how to commemorate the event in 2015 with the theme Christ our Cornerstone, with events to be held throughout 2015.

At present the members of the group are the Rector, Jenny Bicknell (in her capacity as PCC Secretary), John Horsfield, William Maidlow, Judith Williams, Terry Dewar, Andy Leitch, Barbara Scott and Barbara Yates. However, since we very much hope that the celebratory events will reflect the full range of life at Holy Trinity, we welcome Church members to join us and help put together a programme that reflects in full the life and worship of our Church.

Conveniently, 5th July 2015 falls on a Sunday, and doubtless there will be special services on that day. However, the Rector feels that the celebrations should not be restricted to one day, so....we need your suggestions and, as 2015 draws closer, your involvement in the organisation of the events. Right now, however, we need your thoughts and ideas. Feel free to outline your thoughts in the Parish Magazine – subject to Editorial approval, of course! Better still, join the HTC 150 Group (I'm carefully avoiding describing it as a Committee!) which will report to the PCC. The Group will aim to keep Church members up to date with proposals through the pages of this Magazine.

The Group is particularly interested in hearing from anyone who has items of

interest relating to Holy Trinity Church. Every Church has its personalities, its stories, its witness to the work of the Lord. We'd love to hear from you about your memories of Sunday School outings, any photographs you may have, speakers (and sermons!) that made a particular impression. We'd like to hear your thoughts on music and worship. What were you doing during the Centenary celebrations? Has Holy Trinity Church changed during your time? Do you think it should be changing? There's so much to consider, and we do want to hear from you.

The history of Holy Trinity Church, our parish church, closely mirrors the development and growth of our town. The 150th anniversary offers opportunities to reflect on our past, consider our present, and plan our future. It's an exciting challenge to showcase our Church to the community in which we live and work, and to seek God's blessing on our hopes and plans.

The next meeting of the HTC 150 group is on 28th June. Do join us!

William Maidlow

Thanks #1

I would like to thank everyone for their kind support and the best wishes they gave me following the very busy week I had at the start of the month.

Firstly, I was elected to be a sub warden of Trinity Church; then was elected

as a Llandudno Town Councillor and celebrated my 65th birthday by doing the washing up at the coffee day on the 5th of this month.

Terry Dewar

Thanks #2

Our grateful thanks to all who have donated so kindly. We have been very busy in the last few weeks and your donations were most timely.

Conwy Food Share

Thanks #3

My six years as your People's Warden will come to an end on June 21st, when Geoff Howard will take over my position.

I thank you, my Church family, for the support and encouragement you have given me over these years.

Special thanks must go to Fr. John and all the retired clergy, whom I have enjoyed working with enormously.

To fellow wardens – Peter, Barbara , Christine, Eira, Jenny and Judith – thank you for being there.

To my friends on the PCC – thank you for the very generous gift voucher and the beautiful planted basket which will hopefully grow on in my garden.

It has been a privilege to serve as Churchwarden for the past six years. I

am sure I will miss what has become a big part of my life, and hope I have given as much as I have gained.

I am very happy that Geoff has agreed to take on this very special office and hope he will enjoy his term as your People's Warden. Please welcome him, support him and importantly remember him in your prayers.

Marion Heald

Thanks #4

I would like to thank the PCC and parish for the very kind gift of a basket of flowers and a shopping voucher, when I stood down at the Easter Vestry as deputy warden for St. Tudno's. The other retiring Wardens, Marion and Barbara received similar gifts but as this was a complete surprise I managed to photograph only Barbara and her flowers, as she had been on holiday and received hers later. Gwen Robinson put together beautiful collections of growing plants, which we should each be able to pot up or put in the garden.

My voucher was for the Internet store Amazon, which sells a range of goods including the electronic book reader 'Kindle'. As I had been thinking of treating myself to one of these, I was delighted to use the voucher towards it. This marvellous device is smaller than a paperback book but can hold up to 1000 electronic versions of books, which can be purchased via the internet. I don't think that this will ever

replace 'real' books for me but it will be ideal for travelling.

The Church in Wales has brought out a ruling that deputy wardens, like Churchwardens, should serve no more than 6 years continuously and as I had been deputy warden at St. Tudno's for nine years I had obviously overrun my time. I have thoroughly enjoyed being a warden at St. Tudno's but I am delighted to be able to hand over to Shirley Georgeson, one of the St. Tudno's 'regulars' and a member of the Friends of St. Tudno's Committee, who will join Stephanie Searle to make a pair of very enthusiastic wardens, while I will continue to give them support from the background and remain the Friends' Secretary.

Christine Jones

Thanks #5

Sorry for the delay in thanking everyone for helping during the winter. I took Winter Warmers on not knowing what to expect! I must admit, I enjoyed my Wednesday morning experiences. We had staff going off on holiday with the most obscure reasons; staff having a leave of absence together with even funnier reasons – none printable!

In all though, I owe a lot of thanks to everyone who helped me and to all our customers who helped us raise over £3000 for our church funds.

Kristina

Parish Fellowship

It's not clear whether we will have use of the Hall for our Autumn Meetings. In the meantime here are some dates for us to keep in touch:

- On Wednesday 6th June at about 11.00am at the Coffee Morning, come and have a chat. Some of our members will be there helping as usual and our Leader, Michael, will no doubt raise our spirits.
- On Monday 11th June at 2.30pm the Mother's Union has a speaker who wanted to come and speak to the Fellowship but we had no dates available. It's a talk that everyone should try and get to – 'Victim Support'.
- The following evening, Tuesday 12th June at 7.30pm you are again invited to join the Mothers Union who are putting on a 'Musical' MY FAIR LADY. Details of this appear on page 17.

Vernon Morris

St. Tudno's Church

The major works at the church will be on-going for slightly longer than we anticipated but we are starting the new season of services in any event on May 27th. We shall not have access to audio equipment so the benches will be arranged around the priest in a cosy way and we shall sing unaccompanied. If the weather is wet or very windy we shall

hold the service in the 'shed' which we shall make as lovely as possible. So there will definitely be services one way or another. We hope the builders will be finished by June 15th. Until they do leave, the church will not be open..

- A taxi service will run from May 27th at 10.30 am from Holy Trinity and will return from St. Tudno's at 12.00 noon. This is a free service but donations may be given at St. Tudno's.
- Sunday June 4th: service as usual but no Eucharist.
- Monday June 5th St. Tudno's Day: There will be a Eucharist in Holy Trinity at 11.00 am followed by a Pilgrimage to St. Tudno's via St. Tudno's Well (by kind permission of the landowners). Wear stout shoes and bring a packed lunch. We shall have stops for prayers of ascent on the way. On arrival at St. Tudno's we shall have prayers in the churchyard.
- There will be no service of Compline in June.
- July 1st. There will be a special Rededication Service at 3.00 pm where we shall thank all those involved in the roofing work, and other maintenance at St. Tudno's. Refreshments will follow. We hope lots of you will come and join in the celebration.

**Stephanie Searle
Shirley Georgeson**

Friends of St. Tudno's Church

The Friends of St. Tudno's Church would like to thank everyone who has supported their fund-raising for the re-roofing and restoration of the church. Recent fund-raising has enabled the Friends to give a further £1000 which will help to cover the cost of some of the additional work which has been required. The Friends are preparing the Sponsor-a-Slate forms for binding into Books of Sponsors which will be blessed at a special Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday 1 July (please see the advert for details). The books will then be available for inspection after the service and after any other service at St. Tudno's over the summer, before being transferred to the drier atmosphere of the parish archive at Holy Trinity.

The work at the church will be completed in mid June, so the Friends will be holding a working party at the church on Saturday 23 June beginning at 9.30 am. This will be to return and sort out all the items which have been in storage during the restoration work.

The annual Friends' outing will be on Saturday 14 July and we will be visiting some of the pilgrim churches of the Llyn Peninsular at Clynnog Fawr, Pistyll and Llangwnnadr, the latter being dedicated to St. Gwynhoedl, one of St. Tudno's brothers. The plan is to leave Holy Trinity at 9.30 am and travel out by minibus, returning by train from Blaenau Ffestiniog. If you are interested in joining us on the outing, would you

please let me know by Saturday 30 June.

Christine Jones, Secretary

Party Invitation

Peggy Jones will be 90 on 15 June and we, her family, will be holding a party for her in the church hall on Saturday 16 June. We would like to invite you to come and join us for coffee and cakes at 11.00 am to wish Mum a very happy birthday. (Mum would like donations to Christian Aid instead of gifts, please.)

Christine, Iris, Chris and family

Mother's Union

On 14 May the Afternoon Group was given a presentation by Mr Keith Roberts on behalf of Blind Veterans UK, the charity formerly known as St Dunstan's which has a presence in the town. Mr Roberts was accompanied by a friend and his guide dog Cooper. Eighty-year-old Keith who was born and brought up in Llandudno, saw army service in North Africa and Cyprus in the build-up to the Suez campaign. He talked to us about the charity and why it had reinvented itself as Blind Veterans UK. Everybody enjoyed Keith's talk and Cooper enjoyed the liberal servings of



Mr Keith Roberts and his guide dog Cooper who visited the MU on 14 May.

cake that came his way!

On the following day, 15 May, the Evening Group welcomed Nia Higginbotham who repeated her 5 March presentation to the Afternoon Group on her recent trip to Palestine. The plight of the Palestinians does not get any easier and Nia highlighted the problems faced by Palestinian farmers who have been ordered to pull up their olive trees, their primary source of income. She explained to us how we could help these farmers by buying Fairtrade Palestinian olive oil which was available at a local outlet (Kingdom Crafts).

On 21 May, the Branch had its an-

nual outing. The destinations this year were St. Asaph Cathedral for a tour and a Eucharist, Ruthin Castle Hotel for lunch, and the Tweedmill for retail therapy. The coach left Holy Trinity at 9:30 am on a wonderful spring morning and just over half an hour later, our members and guests were entering the Cathedral. Saint Kentigern (Mungo) built his Church here in AD560. When he returned to Strathclyde in AD573 he left Asaph as his successor. Since that time the Cathedral has been dedicated to Saint Asaph and the Diocese bears his name. The present building was begun in the thirteenth century and is reputed to be the smallest ancient cathedral in Great Britain.



Member Sarah Dean by the MU banner in St. Asaph Cathedral.



Members and friends outside Ruthin Castle Hotel after their lunch.

After being shown around the Cathedral, we took our coach to Ruthin Castle for a splendid lunch and time flew past. All too soon it was time to return to St. Asaph and the Tweedmill. The day was concluded with a raffle and a 'singsong'. The lucky winners were Joan Colligan, Marian Heald, Sarah Dean, Ivy Brett, Jennifer Fossi, and Betty Dodd.

My thanks go to the staff of St. Asaph Cathedral for making us so welcome and providing the Holy Eucharist and Barbara Yates who took charge of the coach.

On 11 June, Linda Parry of Victim Support is coming to talk to the Afternoon Group. Linda talked to the Evening Group in February and her presentation gives an insight into this vital organisation. We are being joined

by members of the Parish Fellowship. Any other parishioners who would like to attend this open meeting would be most welcome.

On 12 June, the Evening Group is holding a 'My Fair Lady' sing-a-long evening. Anne Rimmer is organising the event and Ray Sythe-Jones will be accompanying on the piano. The Parish Fellowship will be joining us again and any other parishioners would again be welcome. There is a dress code: the theme is 'Ascot in black-and-white'. Please use your imagination – hats and parasols for example.

You would have thought that with the Mother's Union National Conference being held at Venue Cymru (theatre) on Saturday 16 June that the Branch would be heavily involved. Events have taken a

slightly unexpected turn. The situation was somewhat complicated because Venue Cymru is in our neighbouring parish of Rhos-Cystennin which, as you probably know, is in the diocese of St. Asaph. On the evening before the Conference, it is traditional to hold a church service and this year there were to be two locations: one at St. Asaph Cathedral and the other at Bangor Cathedral. Due to an unprecedented response, the theatre location at Venue Cymru and both cathedral services were oversubscribed, so much so that when our branch applied for tickets (including those who had volunteered to be stewards), they had all been sold out or allocated!

This has all proved an enormous headache for the Mother's Union at national and diocesan levels, especially because local members who would perhaps only have been able to attend a National Conference if held locally were unable to attend. It says a lot for our town being such a popular location that coach loads of members of dioceses/branches across the UK are attending. Fortunately, the situation at the Conference has been somewhat mitigated by allocating extra seating in the Main Hall with two large screens linked by video to the Theatre. The additional seating is unreserved and I have a number of tickets. I should also be able to get some additional tickets if required. Please see me as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

I was approached by some visitor mem-

bers if it would be possible to hold an additional service at Holy Trinity on Friday 15 June for those who had been unable to get tickets for the cathedral services. I made enquiries with the powers that be but was told quite emphatically that we could not. However, there was a change of mind and I was asked to organise a service, which was to be different to the services at the cathedrals. The order of the service is not in our hands but I am told it is a 'Pilgrim Service', details of which I am still awaiting. Not knowing the format is a little difficult, but I have enlisted the services of the Reverend Peter Plunkett, organist Charles Jones, and our bell ringers. The existence of this service is not being widely advertised, but I am informed that if the news gets out, then we could have quite a full church. If this is to be the case, then it is vital that we can welcome our visitors and steward the event. I would be very grateful if as many members as possible can turn up to help. The service is scheduled for 7.30 pm.

Another complication is that the hotels and guest houses of the town will be full of members from all over the country. It is quite possible that some will wish to attend a church service on Sunday, 17 June before they return home. Again, we have to anticipate visitor members attending services at both 8.00 am and 10.30 am and we must make every effort to welcome them to Holy Trinity.

Maggie Leitch

Blagovest Ensemble

Monday, 21 May saw the welcome return to Holy Trinity of the St Petersburg Blagovest Ensemble for an evening of Russian Orthodox sacred music and Russian folk songs. A large audience enjoyed the performance of this group of talented singers who sing normally without accompaniment, led by their conductor and soprano Olga Kozlova.

The first half of the concert, the Russian Orthodox sacred music, had works by a number of Russian composers as well as the Austrians Bruckner and Mozart. The final selection was accompanied by organist Charles Jones.

Some of the second half was familiar: 'The Song of the Volga Boatmen' and 'Stenka Razin', the latter being familiar to western ears as the melody of 'The Carnival is Over'. The encore included the communal singing of William Blake's Jerusalem with accompaniment by Norman Rimmer on the organ. This was a wonderful end to an inspirational evening of music.

The Ensemble relies upon a retiring collection and the sale of Russian craft work to finance its tours. Popular items of craft work included Orenburg shawls made of Kirkiz goat down, and the somewhat inevitable Matryoshka dolls!



The Blagovest Ensemble: Olga Kozlova (conductor and soprano), Mariana Serbryakova (mezzo-soprano), Oleg Lesov (tenor), Alexey Ivanov (baritone) and Miroslav Alexeev (bass). In the background is guest organist Norman Rimmer.





Holy Trinity from the Air

During the Victorian Extravaganza weekend at the beginning of May, Holy Trinity was surrounded by fairground rides, including the very tall and un-Victorian 'Mach 1' ride. This has two pairs of seats at either end of long arms which swing around in a vertical circle, rising to a maximum height of 100' (36m).

I eyed this up for a while after the Sunday morning service and could see that, from the right seat, there would be a good opportunity to photograph Holy Trinity from the top of the ride while other people were getting on or off at the bottom. I thought that the ride didn't seem to go too fast (this was an illusion as the ends of the arms apparently reach 60 mph) but wasn't too sure about the turning upside down bits. It was noticeable that nobody offered to accompany me if I went on the ride!

I eventually plucked up courage and asked if I could take my camera up with me, to take some photographs of our church. The operators said they were very sorry but it wouldn't be safe to take up something which could fall. However, as I was from the church, if I went back at the end of the afternoon they could give me a couple of minutes at the top and then bring me down again.

I returned with Shirley and Rob for moral support and Rob went up on the ride with me to enjoy the view. The operators gave me long enough

to take some photos then brought us back down to earth and our places were taken by teenagers, who seemed to make up the majority of the customers.

The best photograph will in due course be produced as a postcard for the Mustard Seed shop, with many thanks to the operators of the 'Mach 1' – such nice, kind, helpful people.

Christine Jones



The 'Mach 1' fairground ride. See the photograph of Holy Trinity (previous page).

Bangor Cathedral Fun Day

On 19 May 2012, Bangor Cathedral held its 'Shine the Light' fun day. Our own day started with the Holy Trinity taxi (!) picking up Father John and Mark. Father John won the first race when getting to the front seat in my car. Paul Mark ended up in the back with Sebastian and Flynn.

We arrived at the Cathedral to find we had been placed in the Dean's garden. We set out the racecourse with Olympic flags on either side and, of course, a large Welsh flag stop after a slow start, the races started with golf ball on teaspoons, funny feet, javelin, sack races, skipping, sprint, obstacle, hurdles, and three-legged races. Fun was had

by all. We had Judith in the sack races and Father John and Sebastian, Shirley and Rob, and two other children in the three-legged race. Of course, Father John and Sebastian won.

We had medal ceremonies with medals placed upon Union Jack cushions and with the Welsh National anthem playing at every ceremony during the day.

I would like to thank everyone who came with us to help: Father John, Mark Pavey, Barbara Scott, Julius Williams and Shirley and Rob Georgeson. We also had an impromptu visit from Ruth and Eleanor Hodgkinson. So we had some Holy Trinity races as well.

Other events held during the day were



With their flaming torches: Mark Pavey, Father John, Sebastian Birchall, Kristina Birchall, Flynn Birchall, Judith Williams and Barbara Scott.

a gyroscope, gladiator fighting on a bouncy castle, Zumba dancing, crafts and music items. The afternoon concluded with a service in the Cathedral where the Bishop ended up with a light up Mohican on his head! (Editor's comment: knowing the Bishop some-

times finds time to read this magazine, I hope that I have got that right!). In all the day was a great success, enjoyed by all. Thanks again to all my helpers and to Sebastian and Flynn and kept the races going.

Kristina Birchall



Ready... steady... GO!





Calendar for June

All events are held in Holy Trinity or Holy Trinity church hall unless indicated otherwise. St. Tudno's is not expected to be open until Sunday 24th June. Until then there will be open-air services in the churchyard and special arrangements will be made if the weather is bad.

Sun 3rd	Feast of the Holy Trinity (Patronal Festival of our parish church) Morning Services as usual 12.30 pm Holy Baptism 5.00 pm Service to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee (a joint service with Rhos-Cystennin parish) Preacher: Bishop Andy. Choirs from both parishes will be taking part
Tues 5th	Feast of St. Tudno Founder & Patron of the Church in Llandudno 11.00 am Eucharist in Holy Trinity 12.00 noon Pilgrim Walk to St. Tudno's (no service in St. Tudno's due to ongoing work)
Thurs 7th	Corpus Christi (Thanksgiving for Holy Communion) 10.00 am St. Raphael Guild Meeting 11.00 am Eucharist with Ministry of healing
Sun 10th	Trinity 1 Services as usual for the second Sunday plus: 12.30 pm Holy Baptism
Mon 11th	Barnabas, Apostle 11.00 am Eucharist
Fri 15th	7.30 pm Mother's Union 'Pilgrim' service
Sat 16th	Mother's Union National Conference at Venue Cymru
Sun 17th	Trinity 2 Services as usual for the third Sunday
Thurs 21st	7.00 pm Bishop's Visitation Service at St. Mary's, Bangor
Sun 24th	Nativity of St. John the Baptist (Trinity 3) Services at usual times for the 3rd Sunday
Thurs 28th	7.30 pm Holy Trinity 150th Planning Group Meeting

Fri 29th **SS Peter & Paul, Apostles**

11.00 am Eucharist

July

Sun 1st

Trinity 4

3.00 pm Morning Services as usual for the first Sunday.
Service of Thanksgiving & Re-dedication at St. Tudno's
Messy Church at Holy Trinity
No Evening Prayer at Holy Trinity

Sidespersons

June 3rd

Sandra Davies
Barbara Yates
Wendy C Stewart
Joyce Crosby

June 24th

Annabel Jones
Joyce Crosby

June 10th

Pat Ridler
Geoff Howard
Stan Whittaker
Judith Williams

July 1st

Cath Lloyd
Mary Rees
Terry Dewar
Ray Millington

June 17th

William Maidlow
Ron Illidge

Sandra Davies
Barbara Yates
Annabel Jones
Joyce Crosby

PARISH REGISTER

Holy Baptism

May 13th: Amy Leah Richardson

May 13th: Ethan John Ashley

The Departed

*April 10th: Kenneth Trent (89)
Funeral at Colwyn Bay crematorium.*

Attendance Figures

April 1	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist with the Blessing and Distribution of Palms	16
Palm Sunday	10.30 am	Palm Procession and Sung Eucharist	118
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	2
April 3rd	7.30 pm	Stations of the Cross	17
	8.15 pm	Informal Eucharist	16
April 5th	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist	21
Maundy Thursday	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist at the Trinity Centre	4
	7.30 pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper	38
April 6th	10.30 am	Children's Worship	c25 Adults + Children
Good Friday	12.00 noon	Outdoor Service Cytûn	not recorded
	2.00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion	55
April 7th	7.30 pm	Easter Vigil	29
		other weekday Eucharists	29
April 8th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	21+2
Easter Day	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	158
	5.00 pm	Choral Evensong	25
		other weekday Eucharists	17
April 15th	8.00am	Holy Eucharist	9
Easter 2	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	88
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	20
	6.00 pm	Exploring Worship	31
April 18th	9.30 am	Eucharist for the Governing Body	158
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer for Governing Body	not recorded
April 19th	7.30 am	Eucharist for the Governing Body	80
		other weekday Eucharists	25
April 22nd	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	14
Third Sunday of Easter	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist, Baptism and Confirmation	132
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	5
		other weekday Eucharists	25
April 29th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	15
Fourth Sunday of Easter	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	82
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	2

From the Parish Pump

The Misery of Sudan

Thousands of Southern Christians have been fleeing Sudan since the government removed their citizenship rights last year after the South voted to secede. This spring, Khartoum set a deadline of 8 April for all people of Southern origin (who are mainly Christian and mainly African) remaining in the strongly Islamic and Arab Sudan either to leave the country or to be treated as foreigners.

Many of those entering South Sudan are taking shelter in camps set up for returnees from the North and elsewhere. In the Hai Salam camp in Malakal, where Barnabas Fund is providing food and other essentials to the neediest Christian families, people are living in desperate conditions. They lack proper shelter, medicine, food and clean water. Every day the women have to walk two hours each way to collect water from the River Nile. Diseases are not being diagnosed and treated, and there are fears that many lives could be lost to malaria when the wet season begins this month, in June.

Families are seeking help from the Church in South Sudan, but it is overwhelmed by the need. The Barnabas Fund is helping by providing emergency supplies, including sorghum (grain), salt, plastic sheets to protect the shelters from flooding during the wet season,

mosquito nets, blankets, water drums and cooking pots.

It costs approximately: £10 to feed one person for a month; £40 to supply a family with plastic sheeting; £50 to equip a family with essential items including jerry cans and cooking pots; £70 for water storage per family.

Help a Poor Child in the UK to Get a Meal

The Children's Society is trying to help 1.2 million extremely poor children in England who aren't getting free school meals. These children – who make up half of all school-age children living in poverty – may not be eating a single nutritious meal all day. With your help, the Society wants to change that.

Of these 1.2 million children in poverty, 700,000 are not even eligible for the free school meals scheme because their parents have some sort of job. A further half a million schoolchildren are entitled to free school meals but they don't take them, often because they worry about being singled out for teasing and bullying.

A free school meal that can be claimed without embarrassment would make a real difference to the lives of these 1.2 million children. Giving them at least one proper meal a day would make

them healthier, enable them to concentrate at school, and ultimately give them the chance to escape the poverty into which they were born.

Global Christianity

One of the key pioneers in collecting information about Christianity and other religions across the world died late last year, in his 80s. Dr David Barrett had amassed a huge data base of basic numbers which now forms the core of the World Religion Database held in Gordon-Conwell University in the United States. Seven of his many areas of statistics may, however, be of special interest:

1. In 2012, there are 43,000 different denominations worldwide (340 are in the UK!).
2. In 1900, 70% of the world's Christians lived in Europe, but only 26% in 2012. In 1900, just 2% of the world's Christians lived in Africa, but 22% in 2012.
3. In 2012, there are an estimated 4.7 million congregations worldwide, just under half of these in Asia.
4. The number of mission workers globally is estimated at 420,000 people.
5. The world's population will reach 7.1 billion in 2012, and 2.3 billion (33%) of these will be nominally Christian. A further fifth (22%) are Muslim.

6. Half (51%) of the world's population live in urban areas, including 505 'megacities' with a population of over a million people. Of these, perhaps 41% are nominally Christian.
7. Half (51%) of the world's Christians are Roman Catholics, a fifth (22%) are Anglicans, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and other Protestants, one in seven (15%) are Pentecostals and other Independent churches, and the remaining 12% are Orthodox.

David Barrett's final challenge was this: over a quarter of the world's population, 29%, have never heard the good news of Jesus Christ, and remain unevangelised. What are we doing about it?

Cathedral Attendance Statistics

Attendance levels at regular weekly services in Church of England cathedrals have steadily increased by 30% since the turn of the millennium, a growth of approximately 3% on average each year, according to the latest statistics.

In 2011, figures for 'average normal midweek attendance' were at their highest levels since records began in 2000 for both adults and children; the figure for Sunday attendance was up slightly, too, for adults. There is more good news in the figures for Christmas and Easter attendance, both show-

ing stability across the decade, with Christmas attendance up 17% in 2011 compared with 2010.

Choirbook fit for a Queen

Throughout this Jubilee year anthems from the Choirbook for the Queen are being sung by cathedral and collegiate choirs in every corner of the United Kingdom. They will showcase the quality and diversity of the choral tradition in the United Kingdom during her 60 years as Queen. 80 of the country's most prestigious choirs will sing the anthems in services throughout 2012, many of which are also being broadcast.

Praying today?

If you were to pray for something today, what would it be?

When the Church of England recently asked just that question, a survey found that 85% of us have things we would indeed pray for. The ICM survey discovered that the most popular responses involved praying for other people: 26% said they would pray for 'a family member', 25% said 'peace in the world', and 20% said 'healing for another'.

The other as yet 'unprayed prayers' were: 'less stress in my life' (17%), 'an end to world poverty' (16%), 'guidance' (15%), 'thankfulness' (15%), 'my partner' (14%), 'prosperity' (14%), 'a friend' (13%), 'healing for myself' (12%), 'mar-

riage or relationship' (11%), 'forgiveness' (10%), 'work' (8%), 'my spiritual life' (7%), 'my studies' (4%), 'my church' (4%), 'something else' (6%), 'don't know' (7%). Only 15% said 'I would never pray for anything'.

The prayers posted on the website www.prayoneforme.org/, and its accompanying Facebook page at www.facebook.com/prayoneforme, are prayed through by church groups and prayer communities across the Church of England. The site includes guidance on how to pray, and information on the people who hold the contributions before God in prayer.

Chaplaincy at 2012 Games

Did you know that the Church of England has its own Olympics Co-ordinator? He is Canon Duncan Green, who is also seconded to LOCOG as Head of Multi Faith Chaplaincy Services.

For the past five years, Duncan's role has included advising the organising committee on faith matters and recruiting and managing 193 multi-faith chaplains to serve 23,500 athletes and officials, 26,000 reporters and broadcasters and 200,000 staff and volunteers. Canon Duncan Green also supports and resources officers in the dioceses working to promote the mission and outreach opportunities afforded by the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Didn't quite get it together...

A young man called his mother and announced excitedly that he had just met the woman of his dreams! Now what should he do? His mother advised: 'Send her flowers, and on the card invite her to your place for a home-cooked meal!' So that's what he did. His

mother called the day after the big date to see how things had gone. Her son was desolate, and said that the evening had been a disaster. 'Why, didn't she come over?' asked his mother.

'Oh, she came over, okay, but then she refused to cook...'



THE SAINT & THE MONSTER

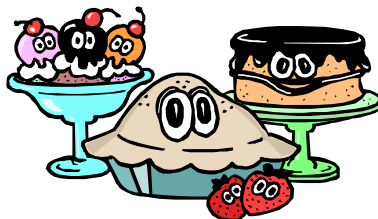
St Columba, whose feast day is 9th June, was born in Ireland and came to Scotland to be a 'pilgrim for Christ'. He founded a monastery on the island of Iona in 563. The monastery at Iona became a centre of learning and many missionaries were trained there. Columba carried the message of God's love throughout Scotland and monks from his monastery carried the message into England.

St Columba wrote a number of hymns and is said to have transcribed, or written out by hand, some 300 books in his lifetime.

And what has he got to do with a monster? Well, it wasn't the Loch Ness monster but a monster that was living in the River Ness. St Columba is said to have driven away this monster who was attacking a swimmer, with the sign of the cross and the words "Thou shalt go no further, nor touch the man; go back with all speed."

MONSTER MUNCHIES

75 g (3 oz) margarine
3 normal size Mars Bars
(thinly sliced)
3 large tea cups Rice Crispies
100 g (4 oz) chocolate cake
covering (melted)
Grease and line a swiss roll tin.



In a heavy based saucepan, gently melt the margarine. Add the Mars Bar pieces and stir until no lumps are left.

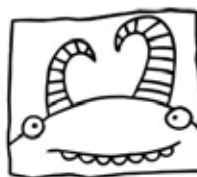
Take the pan off the heat and stir in the Rice Crispies – adding more if the mixture will take it. Spread the mixture in the tin and press it down evenly with the back of a spoon.

Cover with the melted chocolate and leave to set. Cut into 24 bars when cold – or cut into less bars if you are feeding a very greedy monster!



How does a
monster count
to 17?

On it's fingers.



Fool's Watercress

The cold weather this spring has resulted in many of the spring flowers appearing late, for example there was very little may blossom to be seen by the middle of May. It will therefore be interesting to see whether the fool's watercress (*Apium nodiflorum*) is in flower when we visit St. Tudno's well (by kind permission of the landowners) during the St. Tudno's Day pilgrimage on 5 June. This plant grows in the damp area around St. Tudno's Well (which might be better described as a spring) and looks superficially like a small watercress.

True watercress (*Nasturtium officinale*) is a member of the cabbage family and grows in or by shallow running water;

while fool's watercress is a member of the carrot family and will grow in still water and damp places, such as around 'wells' on the Great Orme. Fool's watercress is a fairly low growing, spreading plant which roots from the lower leaf nodes. The leaves themselves are divided into pairs of shiny, oval leaflets with slightly toothed edges.

The tiny white flowers are held in umbrella-shaped clusters known as umbels (derived from old French or Latin for 'sunshade' – *Oxford English Dictionary*). Umbels are a characteristic feature of the carrot family, giving the family the name *Umbelliferae*.

Christine Jones



Poetry Corner

A Time for Roses

A time for roses to bud and to breathe,
Pure and white or red and regal,
Resplendent in silken gowns,
Enthroned in gardens of green.
Rockroses resting on the Great Orme,
Quiet and mellow, hardly seen at all.
Dramatic in damask when patterned on patios
But fragrant petals slip and fall in a storm,
Yet not forever do they stay forlorn, just sojourn,
Soon to grow and rise again,
Ethereal as the Rose of Sharon.

Shirley Georgeson

Coffee Time

Cryptics (thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright).

All flowers

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| 1. I came all prepared to find a shrub. (8) | Results for last month: |
| 2. One found inside peanut, surprisingly. (7) | 1. Martian |
| 3. If such a mistake, it's a bloomer. (7) | 2. Meadow |
| 4. Flowers came up at start of spring. (5) | 3. Markings |
| 5. Flower to rise up in lobby, almost. (8) | 4. Migrant |
| 6. Flower pleased one poor soul. (9) | 5. Mystery |
| 7. Cilla daubed colour. (5) | 6. Misread |
| 8. Wild thorny plants held up by goddesses or gods (3,5) | 7. Misspend |
| 9. To French cheese, raise it with a plant (9) | 8. Mortgage |
| 10. Alpine flower lies with weeds around. (9) | 9. Men |
| | 10. Menace |