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

Weekdays

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

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- 11.00 am Open Air Service (Sun from end of May to end of September)
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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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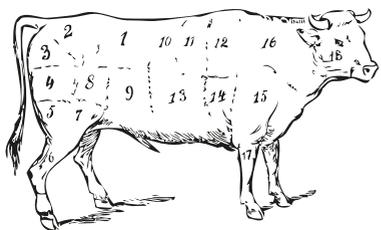
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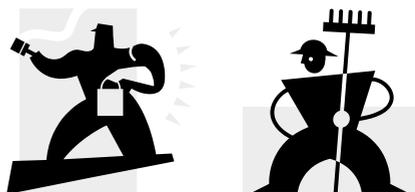
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From the Rectory

On Sunday 3rd we will welcome Bishop Andy who will celebrate and preach at our 10.30 am Sung Eucharist. We are used to the Bishop coming to us for Confirmations and other special events but on this occasion Bishop Andy will just be coming to visit us



as our Bishop and Father-in-God. I say 'just' but surely the visit of a Bishop to a parish in his or her diocese is an important occasion in its own right, and it will be good simply to have him with us without there being any special 'reason'.

The visit of our Bishop reminds us that we are part a much larger family than the church we normally attend or the parish to which we belong. The bishop represents the church universal and also, because he or she stands within the Apostolic Succession and is therefore a successor to the Apostles, represents the church throughout time.

We may think that the parish (or ministry area) is the most important unit of the Church but in fact it is the diocese that truly fulfills this role. From ancient times the most fundamental unit of the Church has been Christians gathered around their bishop. Parishes only developed when the church grew out of the towns and the bishop couldn't be everywhere to minister to the needs of his people. Priests (or presbyters)

were only given the power to celebrate the sacraments and preach the word on their own because the Bishop himself could no longer do these things in person for everyone. So, to this day, priests (and all other ministers) need to be licensed by the Bishop before

they can function in their parishes, and when they are inducted the bishop entrusts them with the cure of souls which, as he says during the induction service, 'is both mine and thine'.

So on Sunday 3rd we will gather around our bishop to celebrate the Eucharist and to experience his ministry in word and sacrament – an important thing to do in its own right. Having said that I know that Bishop Andy also wanted to come to the parish to mark the impending end of my ministry here and so it will indeed be a special occasion for me. I look forward to sharing this event with you all and having an opportunity to experience and rejoice in the ministry of our Bishop.

Fr. John



News and Notices

Walsingham Pilgrims Eucharist

On Saturday 30th September at 12 noon members of the diocesan Walsingham Pilgrims' group will be coming to Holy Trinity for a Eucharist and gathering and I invite you to join us for this. One of the disappointments in my ministry here is that I have not persuaded more than a handful of you to come on pilgrimage to Walsingham. From time to time a number of folk have said that they would like to come, but few have actually managed it.

If you do have an interest please come along on the 30th to hear more about

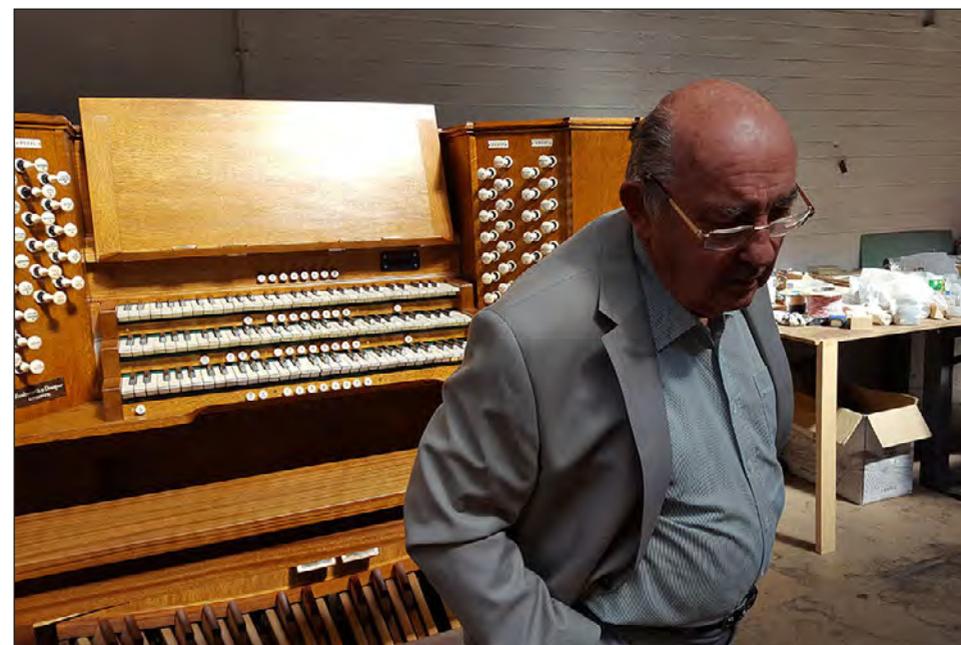
next year's pilgrimage from the diocese which will be taking place in July – and of which I hope to be part.

Fr. John

Organ Renovation

I know that many of you will want to know how the renovation of the organ is getting on at Henry Willis in Liverpool.

The console is almost finished and has been dismantled and re-varnished and completely electrified and is now shorter having had all the old pneu-



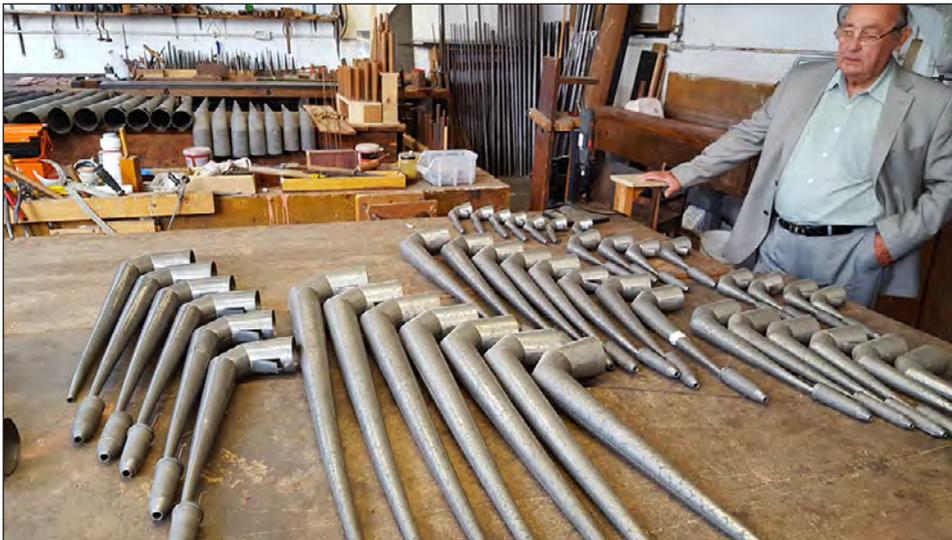
Norman Rimmer inspects the renovation before the re-varnished console which bears the plate of the builders, Rushworth and Dreaper.



Releathering the wind trunks.

matic action taken out and replaced with new motors. The solid state system which was put in last year has been retained and the driving rods to the two swell boxes which ran through a tunnel under the choir stalls have been replaced by electric motors.

The main part of the organ doesn't look any different at the moment but all the wind chests, bellows, wind trunks and some of the underactions have been removed and repaired and releathered in the factory (photograph). The largest of the pipes have also been removed



Norman inspects the tuba and trombone pipes.

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Part of the underaction fitted with new electric motors.

and will be repaired. Within the next few weeks all the other pipes will be taken out and washed on site while all the pneumatic piping is removed and replaced by about 2500 electric motors all of which have to be soldered.

So there we are! There is still an enormous amount of work to be done and David Wyld, managing director of Henry Willis and Sons of Liverpool is hoping that they should be finished by the end of October.

Norman Rimmer



Pedal trombone pipes awaiting repair.

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My dear friends

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone. Thank you for your prayers for Trish during her short but traumatic illness. Thank you for your prayers, your kind words, and support for both of us.

Thank you to the priests who co-celebrated at the funeral Eucharist, to the choir coming in during their holiday month, to the bellringers, and to Norman and Father John for the help they put in.

Thank you also to all of you for coming to say goodbye to my gentle wacky lady.

And a special thank you to all those who came every week to sit with Trish

to enable me to spend time at BDA, specifically: Jennifer, Lucia, Cynthia, Jen, Judith, Marlene, Anne and Gay – you were my rocks and Trish loved you.

Geoffrey

St. Tudno's Church

It was a beautiful, sunny day on Sunday 23 July. The Rector led the service and Daphne Balchin played the keyboard. Hymns included 'The Lord is my shepherd' and 'Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us'. The reading and address were on the theme of the parable of the wheat and tares. The Rector said that we, as Christians, are each a mixture of wheat and tares and that we should strive to

respond more to God's love and bear more fruit.

There was fine weather again when Revd Derek Simpson led the outdoor service on Sunday 30 July. Daphne Balchin played the keyboard for the congregation of 41. 'Hymns included Love divine, all loves excelling' and 'Thine be the glory'. The readings included the parable of the merchant who on finding a pearl of great value sold all that he had to buy it. The theme of the address was the value of pearls and how they are grown by damage or suffering in oysters affected by grit or sand. The metaphor continued into how the greater the suffering the more beautiful and precious the pearl.

It was a warm, pleasant evening on Tuesday 1 August and a congregation of 17 attended Compline by candlelight. The Rector led the service and Charles Jones sang unaccompanied the hymn

'Before the ending of the day'.

It was a fine but chilly day on Sunday 6 August for Morning Worship and Eucharist of the Feast of the transfiguration. The Rector led the services and Michael Thomas played the keyboard for a congregation of 33. Hymns included Christ whose glory fill the skies and Be still for the glory of the Lord. There were a number of reflections on the Transfiguration and how we can listen to God and also a poem by Malcolm Guite. Sadly, this was the last time before his retirement that the Rector would take an open air morning service at St. Tudno's. The shortened Eucharist was held in the church after the open air service. At 12.30 pm there was a Marriage Blessing for Tracey and Steve, which was held outside and attended by 20 people.

Fine weather for the open-air services continued on Sunday 13 August, when



The Pilgrims from St. Michael's Church after their service at St. Tudno's.

the the Rev Derek Simpson led the service with Gaynor Nice playing the keyboard. Sadly, this was the last time before his retirement that the Rector would take an open-air morning service at St. Tudno's. The service was again followed by an open-air Marriage Blessing by the Rector, this time for Lauren and Chris, who were accompanied by some of their family and friends.

On Thursday 17 August a party from St. Michael's Church, Boldmere in the Sutton Coldfield, area made a Pilgrimage to St. Tudno's. They were welcomed at St. Tudno's by Anne Gibson, Terry Dewar, and Vernon Morris, who gave a brief introduction to the church. The Pilgrimage service was held in the open-air and included reflections on Psalm 24, 1-2 and Psalm 121, 1-2. The service ended with the pilgrims placing shells in a cross arrangement on the outdoor pulpit.

Open-air services continue at 11.00 am each Sunday until the end of September and a free taxi departs from Holy Trinity at 10.30 am. The final service of Compline by Candlelight of the summer season will be on Tuesday 5 September at 7.30 pm. Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 8 October at 4.00 pm; there will be a collection of tins and packets of food for Conwy Food Bank and the service will be followed by refreshments. We look forward to seeing you at St. Tudno's.

**Shirley Georgeson
Christine Jones**

200 Club

The draw for June was held during the Coffee morning event on the 16 August 2017 by Father John Nice.

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

1st.	Number 29 Judith Williams	£90
2nd	Number 40 Ross Harrison	£40
3rd	Number 61 Jennifer Fossi	£20

Congratulations to the winners. We have paid out £6370 in winnings since the Club was founded.

The next draw will take place on Wednesday, 13 September 2017 during the coffee morning at about 11.00 am.

Terry Dewar (Promoter)



I understand that Asda has a rather good offer on tinned peas at the moment!



Die Kammerphilharmonie Koeln at Holy Trinity Church.

Concert at Holy Trinity

Chamber Philharmonia Cologne performed a concert in Holy Trinity On Wednesday 16 August, including pieces by Vivaldi, Mozart and Paganini. *Die Kammerphilharmonie Koeln* is an eight piece chamber ensemble which performs regularly around the world with the simple aim of inspiring as many people as possible across all generations to enjoy classical music and this delightful concert was certainly enjoyed by all who attended.

Friends of St. Tudno's Church

After the morning service on Sunday 30 July the Friends held a working party to give the churchyard a general tidy-up and prepare for the visit of the Britain in Bloom judges and the annual open day. The grass was trimmed at the path edges and around the churchyard trail markers, plants removed from the steps, brambles cut back, notice boards cleaned, litter picked from the churchyard and the parking area below it and the church cleaned, too.

The open day was held on Saturday 5 August and had the theme "Exploring the Churchyard". Displays in the church showed the history of the churchyard,



Some of the Friends taking part in the working party.



Rob and Terry clear some cut grass during the open day.

events in the churchyard during the past year and some of the wildlife which may be seen. A steady stream of visitors enjoyed the welcome and the refreshments provided, while many followed the churchyard trail. One of the Friends had strimmed the grass around the benches, so this was raked away in between chats with visitors.

The Friends will be holding a Coffee Morning in Holy Trinity church hall on Saturday 9 September from 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. If you can help with refreshments, make cakes or donate raffle prizes, please contact Vernon or me.

The Friends' AGM will be on Saturday 7 October and will begin with the Friends' Eucharist at St. Tudno's at



Stephanie discusses the churchyard trails with one of the visitors to the open day.



The Rector's scheme to make the church more appealing to men seems to be having a degree of success.

2.00 pm. The AGM itself will be held in Holy Trinity church hall at 3.30 pm and will be followed by Afternoon Tea and the annual slide show of events during the past year. If you would like to learn more about the Friends this is a good opportunity to do so. Please contact Vernon or me if you would like Afternoon Tea.

Christine Jones

Mothers' Union

The Llandudno Branch celebrated the founder of the Mothers' Union, Mary Sumner, on Tuesday 8 August with an afternoon tea in the church



Mothers' Union Mary Sumner's Day Tea with special guests Trevor and Beryl Jones.





hall. Our special guests were the Rev Trevor Jones and his wife Beryl who had recently celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary. The meeting

started with prayers and hymn singing, accompanied by Gaynor Nice. The Rev Jane Allen spoke a few words and read a poem. Trevor James replied on behalf

of the couple.

A splendid afternoon tea followed and everyone present a thoroughly enjoy-

able time. Many thanks to Angela, Doug and team for their hard work.

Maggie Leitch

From the Parish Pump

Mustard Seed Appeal – bringing hope to those in debt

This Harvest, the Archbishop of Canterbury is asking churches to support the Mustard Seed Appeal, set up last year to respond to the desperate growing debt problem that so many in the UK are facing.

At present, about 600,000 families are spending more on repaying debts than on food. One in four adults have less than £500 saved to cover an emergency. Nearly nine million adults are over-indebted, but only one in six are currently seeking help.

The impact of financial distress can be devastating, creating stress and anxiety, hardship and hopelessness. Relationships, family life and mental health suffer as people become stuck in a spiral of debt and end up spending more of their income on paying back loans. Without support, people become vulnerable to loan sharks and pay-day lenders.

In 2016 the Archbishop of Canterbury's Mustard Seed Appeal was set up to respond to this desperate need and to launch the Just Finance Foundation. Archbishop Justin's vision for a fairer financial system is inspired by the parable Jesus told where a tiny seed grows into something big. Your donation is helping to sow seeds of hope.

The money that is raised through the

Mustard Seed Appeal will help to fund the Just Finance Foundation's two streams of work. The aim is to both help people already in financial crisis, and to create a new generation who can manage money wisely.

More details at: <https://www.cuf.org.uk/mustard-seed-appeal>

The Meaningful Treat Box – A Real Halloween Treat

The Meaningful Treat Pack is a new resource designed to help with mission work on, and leading up to, the eve of All Saints (Halloween). It is suitable for Light Parties, outreach events, schools or for children who call to trick or treat on 31st October.

Inside each pack there is a bag of Fairtrade chocolate buttons and a Challenge Activity Poster. The poster has eight challenges including a quiz, maze, word game, a call to buy Fairtrade, a prayer suggestion, a national competition with a prize, and a challenge to treat someone less well off by donating to a children's charity.

Produced by The Meaningful Chocolate Company, each box costs £30 (there are 30 packs per box - £1 per pack). Each box also includes an ideas sheet for leaders. There is free delivery if ordered by September 30th. Visit [www.](http://www.realhalloween.org)

realhalloween.org

David Marshall, from Meaningful Chocolate, explains; "Quite often people feel that there has to be more to Halloween than dressing kids up as serial killers or monsters. The Meaningful Treat box is a way for adults to challenge kids to look at the good in the world, to do a bit of good by giving to a charity and to enjoy some great Fairtrade chocolate. It's a chance for 5-11 year olds to shine this Halloween."

"The word Halloween means 'The night before All Saints Day'. All Saints Day is the time when we celebrate - religious saints they are a special kind of hero. We also remember friends and family members. It's the time when we celebrate good winning over bad and light over darkness. We also think it's a chance to show love to others."

Egypt: churches put on suicide bomb attack alert

Christians in Egypt have been warned to expect a new wave of attacks by Muslim extremists. The authorities say militants are planning attacks on Christians, as well as army and police personnel.

They have warned that suicide bombers from the Islamic State group were planning to attack buses taking Christians to conferences. From the middle of June to September, hundreds of thousands of Egyptian Christians of all ages go to conferences organised by churches.

This is a time of spiritual revival in the Christian community.

Representatives of the Coptic Orthodox Church, the Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Presidency of Protestant Churches in Egypt have been taking the warning seriously.

Meanwhile, in the last eight months, more than 100 Coptic Christians have been killed in attacks on church groups and individuals. Today Coptic Christians make up around 12 per cent of the population of Egypt, making them the largest remaining Christian community in the Middle East.

Five-point plan to secure the future of the UK's church buildings

A five-point plan to secure the future of the UK's church buildings has been set out by the National Churches Trust. It runs as follows.

1. Prioritise the maintenance of church buildings.

When it comes to historic churches, regular maintenance is better than expensive structural repairs. So, 'maintenance and conservation,' rather than 'repair and replacement'. Also, provide better support to volunteers who look after church buildings.

2. Make more churches 'centres' for the community.

More churches need modern facilities,

such as toilets, kitchens and heating. Modern facilities mean that church buildings can be used as venues for the arts, leisure, social action and other community activities and can host facilities such as post offices and libraries. 83% of British adults think that churches, chapels and meeting houses play an important role for society as they provide a space in which community activities can take place, according to a recent ComRes poll.

3. Put churches firmly on the visitor and tourist map.

Churches, chapels and meeting houses are treasure houses of heritage and history, and more should be done to help churches attract visitors. As well as bringing new people through the doors, attracting visitors brings with it additional income through donations and gift purchases.

4. Create a one-stop shop for churches applying for funding for repairs and maintenance.

The UK's churches will always require funding from a variety of sources to pay for repairs, maintenance and new facilities. But churches seeking funding have to navigate a complex web of grant-giving trusts, foundations and heritage organisations to access the money they need. The church heritage sector should streamline the grant application process, possibly through creating a funding portal. This would allow churches to submit one application to reach as many potential funders

as possible.

5. Open church buildings every day.

Church buildings need to be open every day so the public can enjoy their beauty, history and sense of prayerfulness. Though there is still a widespread view that churches need to be kept locked to prevent theft or vandalism, an open church can often be safer, as the local community then becomes more engaged with the building.

Meanwhile, these two new initiatives launched by the Trust in 2016 – 2017 may well come in useful to you:

'MaintenanceBooker' - an online 'one stop shop' where churches and chapels can book accredited contractors for services including gutter clearance, tree maintenance and inspecting lightning protection systems. (www.maintenancebooker.org.uk)

'ExploreChurches, a new website which makes it easy for people to discover the UK's beautiful churches and chapels. (www.explorechurches.org)

Church Mission Society produces more 'pioneers'

The Church Mission Society's Pioneer Mission Leadership Training programme has seen another increase in numbers. First established in 2010, it aims to be a creative way of equipping Christians for ground-breaking, sustainable mission.

The Bishop of Reading, the Rt Rev Andrew Proud, says, 'Pioneer leaders have an exciting, pivotal role to play. The growth of the CMS Pioneer Mission Leadership Training programme shows how many people are choosing a pioneer route to ordination, and stands as real testament to the quality of CMS's training programme.'

Share your story

Baptist churches or projects who are doing 'a new thing' - from planting new congregations in housing developments to doing mission through social enterprise - may be eligible for a small grant to help them do it, courtesy of the Baptist Insurance Company. In order to qualify, all they have to do is to share their story before 31st October. The grants may be worth several hundred pounds.

The initiative comes from the Baptist Together National Pioneer Coordinators, and was inspired by the verse in Isaiah 43:19, where God announces He is doing something new among His people. 'Across the country there's a real sense of this being a season of innovation and creativity in mission. So we would like to get a fuller picture of the "new thing" that God is doing amongst us.'

The stories that churches share online at <http://bit.ly/baptistnewthing> will be used to inspire others, and to map what is happening across the country.

Methodists respond to cholera outbreak in Yemen

As Yemen continues to struggle with one of the largest cholera outbreaks in recent recorded history, the Methodist relief and development agency 'All We Can' has extended its work in the country.

A recent joint statement of the World Health Organisation and Unicef warned that suspected cholera cases in Yemen could exceed 600,000 by the end of 2017. Yemen's health systems are collapsing. Water, sanitation and access to food is precarious. It is now estimated that 18.8 million of Yemen's 28 million people need humanitarian assistance and over seven million are on the brink of famine.

As a result of generous giving to its East Africa Famine Appeal, over £450,000 was raised for its East Africa Famine Appeal, and 2000 very vulnerable people in Yemen are benefitting from the distribution of food baskets. Tens of thousands more across East Africa in countries including Somalia, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda and Burundi are also receiving food aid and healthcare. Visit: www.allwecan.org.uk/famine

Calendar for September 2017

Sun 3rd	Trinity 12	Visit of Bishop Andy Services as usual for the 1st Sunday Bishop Andy will celebrate & preach at the 10.30 am Sung Eucharist
Tues 5th	10.00 am	Julian Meditation Group at Stella Maris
	7.30 pm	Compline by Candlelight at St. Tudno's
Thurs 7th	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Sat 9th	10.00 am till	
	12.00 noon	Friends of St. Tudno's Church Coffee Morning in Holy Trinity Hall
Sun 10th	Trinity 13	Services as usual for the 2nd Sunday plus:
	12.30 pm	Holy Baptism
	1.15 pm	Holy Baptism
Wed 13th	7.30 pm	Friends of St. Tudno's Church Committee - at the Rectory
Sun 17th	Trinity 14	Services as usual for the 3rd Sunday plus:
	3.00 pm	Soroptomists' service for International Peace Day at St. Tudno's
Thurs 21st	Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist	
	11.00 am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30 pm	Governors' meeting at Ysgol San Sior
Sun 24th	Trinity 15	Services as usual for the 4th Sunday
Sat 30th	12.00 noon	Walsingham Pilgrims' Eucharist & meeting.

Please note: Each Sunday there is a 'Men who Sing' Male Voice Choir Concert at 8.00 pm (till end Sep)

October		
Sun 1st	10.30 am	Harvest Family Eucharist
Sun 8th	4.00 pm	St. Tudno's Harvest Festival Service



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Attendance Figures for July 2017

July 1st	12.00 noon	40th Anniversary of Ordination Mass of Fr. John Nice	155
July 2nd	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	12
Trinity 3	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	76
		Other weekday Eucharists	13

July 9th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	18
Trinity 4	10.30 am	Family Worship	75
Sea Sunday	11.45 am	Shortened Eucharist	28
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	7
		Other weekday Eucharists	25
July 16th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	13
Trinity 5	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	78
		Other weekday Eucharists	23
July 23rd	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	14
Trinity 6	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	66
		Other weekday Eucharists	32
July 30th	8.00 am	Holy Eucharist	11
Trinity 7	10.30 am	Sung Eucharist	111
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	3

Sunday Rota

Sunday 3 September

Reader	Anne Rimmer		William Maidlow
Sidespersons	Joyce Crosby	Eucharistic	Barbara Yates
	Joyce Smith	Ministers	Angela Pritchard
	Annabel Jones		John Riddler

Sue Stafford

Eucharistic	Cath Lloyd
Ministers	Judith Williams

Sunday 10 September

Readers	Ray Stythe-Jones		Stan Whittaker
	Gaye Stythe-Jones	Eucharistic	Marion Heald
Sidespersons	Vernon Morris	Ministers	Ron Illidge
	Linda Blundell		Pat Ridler
	Doug Pritchard		Joyce Crosby
	Cath Lloyd		Marion Heald
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Sunday 17 September

Reader	Vernon Morris		Yvonne Mason
Sidespersons	Wendy C-Stewart	Eucharistic	Joyce Smith
	Angela Pritchard	Ministers	Linda Blundell
			Annabel Jones
			Sue Stafford
			Cath Lloyd
			John Riddler

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Holy Baptism

July 23rd: Alexander Ethan Seymour (at St. Tudno's)

July 23rd: Abbie Clara Evans

August 6th: Alfie Lee Brown

August 20th: Lola Noreen Andrea

The Great War – June 1918

Jonathan Rawling

*20152, Colour Quartermaster Serjeant,
14th Royal Welsh Fusiliers*

Died of wounds, 21 June 1918, aged 32

*Buried at Varennes Military Cemetery,
Somme, France*

Jonathan Rawling, the son of Jonathan Rawling and his wife Margaret Rawling (née Jones) was born in Llandudno on 8 June 1886. Jonathan Rawling (senior) was a plasterer and the Census of Wales for 1891 records the family living at "Ty Newydd Cottages", Old Road, Llandudno. Jonathan (junior), who had four siblings recorded, was described as a scholar – he attended St. George's National School and the school register for 1893 records the family living at

"Tanyrallt Cottages". He left school in March 1908. Jonathan Rawling (senior) died in 1900 and the Census of the following year indicates that the family, now headed by Margaret, lived on Cw-lach Road; Jonathan (14) was described as a general labourer. On 2 February 1907, Jonathan married Maggie Davies at Llanrhos Parish Church. Their sons Jonathan and David were born on 1 June 1908 and 6 July 1909 respectively. Both sons were born in Llandudno though the Census of Wales for 1911 records the family living at 21 Penn Street, Treharris, Glamorgan, Jonathan being described as a colliery worker below ground.

Jonathan Rawling returned to Llandudno to enlist into the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. He joined the 14th (Service)

Battalion as it formed in November 1914. Jonathan Rawling's regimental number was 20152. The battalion, formed by the Welsh National Executive, was initially based at Llandudno but moved to Winchester in August 1915 and disembarked in France in December 1915 as part of the 113th Brigade, 38th (Welsh) Division. When Jonathan Rawling entered the theatre of war on 2 December 1915, he held the rank of acting corporal. The division suffered severe casualties in 1916 when it assaulted Mametz Wood during the Battle of the Somme and it did not return to action for over a year when it took part in the Third Battle of Ypres.

Jonathan Rawling must have been a good soldier for he achieved the rank of Colour Quartermaster Serjeant and he was holding that rank when he was wounded by incoming shellfire on 20 June 1918 near the village of Hamel shortly after a raid into German lines. He was evacuated to a casualty clearing station but died the following day of his wounds aged 32. He was buried at Varennes Military Cemetery.

A Commonwealth War Grave Commission record detailing her late husband's headstone recorded Maggie Rawling's address as 2 Graywfrom [sic] Cottages, Brooke Street, Llandudno.

Known memorials:

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

Arthur Everett Richards

266684, Private, 8th Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Died of illness, 25 June 1918, aged 38

Buried at Baghdad (North Gate) War Cemetery, Iraq

Arthur Everett Richards, the son of Edwin Richards and Jane Richards (née Edwards) was born in Burton on Trent on 20 October 1880. The Census for 1881 records the family of three living at 18 Dukes Street, Burton – Edwin Edwards being described as a baker and confectioner. The family moved to Llandudno for on 22 March 1889, Arthur was admitted to St George's National School, Llandudno. In 1891, the census records the family living at "Longton House", Old Road, Llandudno; Arthur (10) was a scholar and he had four younger siblings. In 1898, Arthur was appointed as a postman and in 1901 the family lived at 6 Victoria Terrace. He was still a postman in 1911, single and living with his parents at "Toxteth House", Bodhyfryd Road, Llandudno.

Arthur Richards volunteered to join the army on 29 November 1915. He was put into the reserve and given a day's pay. He was mobilised on 8 April 1916 and joined the 3/6th Battalion of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers on 12 April 1916. This was a third line reserve battalion of the Territorial Force that had formed at Caernarvon in May 1915. Arthur had the regimental number of 4253 though this was later changed to

266684. He was administratively posted to the 3rd (Reserve) Battalion on 2 April 1917 but embarked the next day at Southampton for Alexandria where he disembarked on 30 April 1917. At Alexandria, he was hospitalised a couple of times with fever but embarked at Suez for Bombay on 25 June 1917 which is the same date that he was officially posted to the 8th (Service) Battalion. He disembarked at Bombay on 7 July 1917 and was attached to No 5 Training Battalion at Kirkee near Poona on 11 July 1917. Arthur left for the 8th RWF in Mesopotamia on 16 December 1917 and joined it on 8 March 1918. The 8th RWF was the first of the regiment's New Army battalions, formed at Wrexham in August 1914. Before moving to Mesopotamia, it has served in Gallipoli and Egypt.

Arthur Richards was admitted to No 39 Field Ambulance on 16 June 1918 and transferred to No 20 Casualty Clearing Station two days later. He was admitted to No 23 British Stationary Hospital at Baghdad on 21 June 1918 and died there of malaria on 25 June 1918. He was buried at Baghdad (North Gate) War Cemetery.

Known memorials:

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

John Jones

Able Seaman, HMHS Llandovery Castle, Mercantile Marine

Supposed drowned after enemy action, 27 June 1918, aged 60

Body not recovered

John Jones was born in late 1857 or early 1858 in Llandudno. He was the son of Owen Jones and Jane Jones (née Hughes). The Census of Wales for 1861 records the family living at 19 Pen-y-buarth, Llandudno. Owen Jones (34) was an agricultural labourer. Also recorded were his wife Jane (24); his son John (3); his daughter Jane (1); and his son Hugh (1 month). In 1871, the family lived at Maes-y-facrell, Llandudno. Owen Jones died in 1877 and Jane Jones married William Morris, a labourer, in 1881. The Census for that year shows the combined family living at Maes-y-facrell Cottages though John Jones, who would have now been 23 years of age, was not recorded.

Though not definitely proven to be the John Jones of this research, in November 1875, John Jones born in Llandudno with a given age of 16 became bound to the Charles Myers Steamship Company of Liverpool for five years. Liverpool crew lists include John Jones, an able seaman born in Llandudno between 1855 and 1857 who resided initially in East Street and later Jenkinson Street, Liverpool. He served on several ships of the White Star Line: Cymric, Ionic and Majestic.

What is known for certain is that John Jones was an able seaman aboard the hospital ship HMHS Llandovery Castle when it was torpedoed by the German U-boat U-86 on 27 June 1918 off the coast of Ireland en route to England from Nova Scotia. The Llandovery Castle was a liner built in 1914 and operated by the Union Castle Line. She was commissioned as a hospital ship in July 1916 and assigned to the Canadian Forces. Firing on a hospital ship was against international law and the skipper of the U-boat sought to destroy evidence by ramming lifeboats and machine gunning survivors. Twenty-four people were rescued. According to the Board of Trade register, Deaths at Sea, John Jones' home address was 22 Earle Road, Edge Hill, Liverpool.

Although CWGC records John Jones' parents as being "the late Owen Jones and Jane Jones (née Hughes)", Jane Jones was Jane Morris when the records were compiled in the 1920s. She died in 1931 aged 93. There is no indication that John Jones was ever married or had any children.

Known memorial:

• *Tower Hill Memorial*

John Owen Thompson

14536, Serjeant, 11th Royal Welsh Fusiliers

Died of wounds, 28 June 1918, aged 29

Buried at Sarigol Military Cemetery,

Kriston, Greece

John Owen Thompson, the son of George Robert Thompson and his wife Ellen Thompson (née Owen) was born in Llandudno on 16 December 1888. George Thompson was a compositor/tobacconist and in 1891, the family lived at 19 Mostyn Street, Llandudno; John had an elder sister Catherine (8) and an elder brother Frank (6). Ellen Thompson died the following year and George Thompson married Mary Ann Whitlaw in 1894. John attended St George's National School and Lloyd Street School. The Census of Wales for 1901 records the family living at 63 Mostyn Street – George Thompson was described as an employer and a newsagent/stationer. Catherine, Frank and John were described as shop assistants having one younger brother, Robert, and three step-siblings. In 1911, the family still lived at Mostyn Street but both Frank (26) and John (22) were recorded as living at "Dryhurst", Somerset Street, Llandudno – both single and employed as assistant newsagents and stationers.

John Owen Thompson volunteered at Llandudno in September 1914. He joined the Royal Welsh Fusiliers at Wrexham, being allocated to the 11th (Service) Battalion that formed in October 1914. His service number was 14536. The 11th RWF came under the orders of the 67th Brigade, 22nd Division, moving to Seaford but by June 1915 was billeted at Aldershot. The division landed in France in Sep-

tember 1915 though it re-embarked at Marseilles and was at Salonika by November 1915. John Thomson's army record no longer survives, but judging from the Medal Roll, he was already a serjeant when he entered the theatre of war. The same record also indicates that his service with the 11th RWF was not continuous which suggests he may have been wounded or hospitalised for some other reason.

The Anglo-French forces that arrived in Salonika were too late to materially assist the Serbs who had been attacked by German, Austro-Hungarian and Bulgarian armies. After preparing Salonika for defence, the troops moved up country. An offensive in the spring of 1917, part of which was the First Battle of Doiran, made little impression on the Bulgarian defences and the front line remained static until September 1918. It was during this period when John Owen Thompson was wounded in action. He died on 28 June 1918 and was buried at Sarigol Military Cemetery, Kriston. This cemetery is about halfway between the modern Thessalonica and the border with Macedonia. From June 1917, the cemetery was co-located with the 21st Stationary Hospital.

Known memorials:

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

Caradoc Evans

267970, Corporal, 23rd Royal Welsh Fusiliers (Territorial Force) attached 53rd Cheshire Regiment

Died of illness, 30 June 1918, aged 19

Buried at Great Orme's Head Cemetery

Caradoc Evans, born on 13 December 1898, was the son of John and Ellen Evans. The Census of Wales for 1901 records the family living at 25 Madoc Street, Llandudno; John Evans (33) was employed as a stonemason. Caradoc was recorded as having four siblings, three elder and one younger. Later that year, Caradoc attended Lloyd Street School and in 1911 obtained a scholarship to John Bright County Grammar School, his address being 2 Leonard Terrace, Charlton Street, Llandudno where his widowed mother was a boarding/lodging house keeper.

On 5 February 1915, Caradoc Evans joined the army. He claimed to be employed as a messenger aged 19. His actual age was 16 and two months. Joining at Llandudno, he was allocated to the 17th (Service) Battalion (2nd North Wales) Royal Welsh Fusiliers that was forming at the time, becoming part of the 113th Brigade, 38th (Welsh) Division. His regimental number was 25148. In spite of his youth, Caradoc was appointed lance corporal on 17 May 1915. The battalion moved Winchester in August 1915 and disembarked in France in December 1915. At a location and a date unknown, Caradoc Evans received

a bullet injury to the radial nerve in his left forearm and he was evacuated to England, being admitted to hospital on 8 September 1916. When he had recovered, he was posted to the 2/6th RWF, a second line unit of the Territorial Force, on 23 November 1916. The battalion had just moved to Southwold and Caradoc had a new regimental number of 5850 which was changed in 1917 to 267970. On 21 July 1917, he was posted to the 23rd Battalion RWF (TF) which carried out home defence duties in Norfolk. He was promoted to acting corporal on 23 December 1917. On a date unknown, Caradoc Evans was attached to the 53rd (Young Soldier) Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment at Kinmel Park, Rhyl. Whilst

he was at Kinmel Park, he contracted appendicitis and died of peritonitis on 30 June 1918. His body was returned to Llandudno and he was buried at the Great Orme's Head Cemetery.

Known memorials:

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

Note.

Although Caradoc Evans obtained a scholarship to attend John Bright School in 1911, he is not commemorated upon the school's roll of honour.

The Churchyards in August

On Tuesday 1 August the Britain in Bloom judges visited St. Tudno's churchyard as part of their tour of Llandudno. They were met by some of the Friends of St. Tudno's, who explained how they help to maintain the churchyard to encourage wildlife and how the churchyard trails help visitors to explore the churchyard. Displays in the church showing "A year in the churchyard" emphasised how well used the churchyard is and included some of the wildlife which can be seen at different times of the year. The judges finished their tour of Llandudno at Blind Veterans, where there were displays on

places which they had not been able to visit. Terry and William told the judges about the work which the parish is doing at Holy Trinity and St. George's churchyards and Anne Rimmer kindly made a beautiful flower arrangement to decorate the table.

During August work started to refurbish St. Tudno's sheds (where the benches etc are stored). New doors and other woodwork were fitted and repairs to the roof carried out. When the work is completed they will be more secure and weatherproof, in addition to greatly improved in appearance.



Britain in Bloom judges at St. Tudno's.



Terry and William with the churchyards display for Britain in Bloom.



A bumblebee feeding on a flower in one of the planters at Holy Trinity.

In St. Tudno's churchyard the dominant flowers in August were thistles, knapweeds and ragwort, all of which attracted bees, butterflies and moths. The displays in the church included an



Cinnabar moth caterpillar feeding on ragwort in St. Tudno's churchyard.

explanation of the importance of ragwort to wildlife, which includes being the main food plant of caterpillars of the cinnabar moth, a good number of which could be found feeding on these plants. At St. George's, the Memorial Garden provided a bright focus with the vivid red and pink pelargoniums, orange marigolds and pink hydrangeas in the flower bed surrounding it. At Holy Trinity the various troughs and planters were all filled with colour and those around the notice boards were attracting bees such as the common carder bumblebee feeding on a marigold in the photo – the beautiful golden brown colour of this bee complimenting the bright gold flower!

Christine Jones



Colourful flowerbed around the Memorial Garden at St. George's.



September 29 Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

In the Bible, angels are messengers from God. The word 'angel' comes from the Greek word for a messenger and it appears hundreds of times in the Bible. But the only angels whose names we know are Michael, Gabriel and Raphael who are archangels, captains among the angels. Each of these three has a different task: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides.

In the New Testament, in the book of Revelation, Michael leads God's armies to final victory over the forces of evil and in the Old Testament he is in the book of Daniel, defending Israel against its enemies.

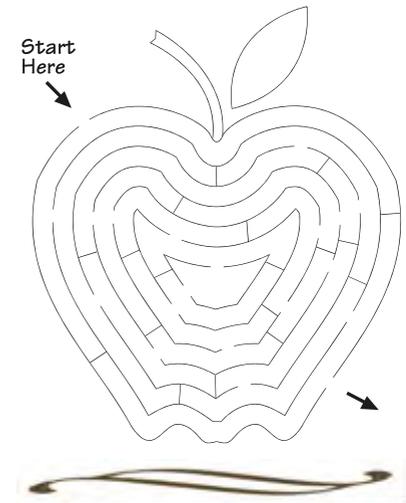
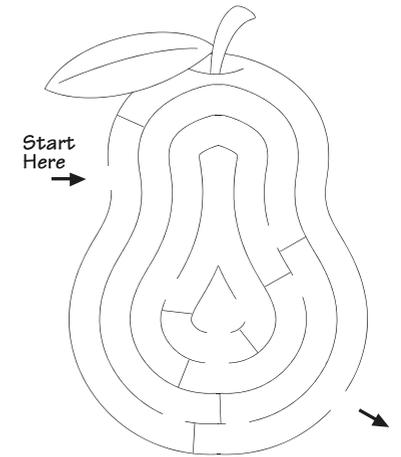


Gabriel is best known for his appearing to a young Jewish girl named Mary to tell her that she will give birth to Jesus.

Raphael is in the Old Testament story of Tobit where he guides Tobit's son Tobiah.

HARVEST PUZZLE

Can you find your way through these 2 fruit mazes?



What kind of nuts sneeze the most?
Cashews.

What's a vampire's favourite fruit?
Nectarine.

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

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Please contact Stan Whittaker, the Gift Aid Secretary. (Tel: 596796)



Coffee Time

Cryptics (thanks and courtesy Barbara Cartwright).

All begin with "U".

1. A United Nations sapper and AI, it's not true. (6)
2. We have a vase in our new home. (3)
3. An honest pose to assume? (7)
4. Restless when the bills have not been paid? (9)
5. Regulation clothing in university class. (7)
6. Submit to one drug treatment. (7)
7. Rumba cast a shadow. (5)
8. Before taking part in hunt, I lunch. (5)
9. It's customary for us to be on time. (5)
10. Bring ruin on the United Nations function. (4)

Results for August

1. Honeysuckle
2. Petunia
3. Fuchsia
4. Tulip
5. Pansy
6. Lily pad
7. Heather
8. Magnolias
9. Erica
10. Garden



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