

Do not regret growing older—it is a privilege denied to many!

Join our 80+ Happy Birthday Corner!

To include yourself, please get in touch now, with name and date of birth.

Happy Birthday Blessings to:

Maureen Hunt: she celebrates 83 years on 17th November!

What do we show on this month's cover? This exquisite Victorian memorial in St Cybi's Church, sculpted to the memory of the Hon. W. O. Stanley, is not, as is widely believed, his tomb. Many of the Owen family of Penrhos, and many of the Stanley family, are actually buried in the transept beneath the magnificent Lady Eleanor organ. The life size angels are breath takingly beautiful, with their delicately formed garments, faces and limbs, persuaded into life from the unyielding Italian marble of Carrara, by the talented hand of the sculptor. We know of William Owen Stanley's legacies to the town: Stanley Hospital, Stanley Street, Stanley Embankment, Stanley Almshouses and Ellin's Tower, but **who was this man?** In 1802, William was born the younger twin son of John, 1st Baron Stanley of Alderley in Cheshire, so the elder twin Edward inherited the title of 2nd Baron Stanley of Alderley, while William became "The Hon." Older residents of the town will remember Lady Kathleen Stanley: her husband Lt Col. Oliver Stanley was Edward's grandson. William however inherited the local Penrhos family land, and in turn became a Liberal M.P, Lord Lieutenant of Anglesey, historian and archeologist. It was due to his humanitarian instinct, his foresight and business acumen in 1855, that the street traders of Holyhead, who then worked in the open air in all weathers, in the area currently around the Millenium Cross, known as Market Square, were offered places in the then newly built Market Hall – Holyhead's first public building. This has been re-furnished and recently re-opened as a magnificent library, business and tourism hub. William Owen Stanley died in 1884. Before her death in 1876, his wife Ellin had already commissioned the Stanley chapel, in St Cybi, to be designed by Sir Gilbert Scott to the memory of her husband. The chapel was completed in 1897, under the supervision of their niece Jane Henrietta Adeane. **Who created this marble masterpiece?** Sir William Hamo Thornycroft (1850 – 1925) was an English sculptor, whose father, mother and grandfather were also distinguished in that craft. His three sisters were also talented artists. Hamo was responsible for some of London's best-known statues: Oliver Cromwell, (outside the Palace of Westminster), General Gordon, (on the Victoria Embankment), Lot's Wife, (Victoria and Albert Museum): as well as Alfred, Lord Tennyson (Trinity College Cambridge) and Alfred the Great (Winchester). He was a keen student of classical sculpture and became one of the youngest members of the Royal Academy, winning their gold medal in 1876. This is a magnet which draws visitors from all over the world, and they are never disappointed!

Thanks to Chris Medley, for the stunning image!

As always with any sort of building project, there are unexpected costs. The St Cybi Restoration work is no exception. We are therefore delighted that Tesco have allowed us to collect again from their very generous customers, on **Saturday, 16th November**. If you are available, we would be grateful for a couple of hours of your time to either hold a donation bucket, to stand by the explanatory vision board which updates progress, or to hand out leaflets. Thank you!

The Holyhead Cell of the Society of Our Lady of Walsingham will meet for a Requiem Mass, in St Cybi's Church at 11.30am on Saturday, 9th November, led by Phil Barrett.

If you need to book a **christening** or a **wedding**, please call into **Eglwys y Bedd**, any **Tuesday** evening **between 6.30 and 7.0pm** (Small building on left before St Cybi gates)

BRO CYBI / HOLY ISLAND MINISTRY AREA
Pastoral Care Circle
NOVEMBER 2019

Ministry Area Leader/Vicar: Rob Wardle 07710 173177

Associate Vicars : Neil Ridings: 01407 861663

Jane Bailey : awaiting new number

Andy Herrick : 01407 861084



When you cannot come to church, the church will come to you!

Our pastoral care visiting team has grown in size, to allow us to reach out to even more people. We know that in some areas loneliness can be a huge problem, especially if your family live away, or if you are new to the area. Please don't feel that you are on your own—we are just a phone call away! Some of you might like us to call for a friendly chat, others might like to receive Holy Communion, either in your own home, in hospital or in a care or nursing home. Others prefer a telephone call, just to be reminded that we are thinking of you. Remember that if we don't know that you need us, we sadly cannot help you, so someone please get in touch on your behalf!

For anything to be included in this leaflet, please contact:
Pat: 01407 860412 or email:patriciahughes2017@gmail.com Thank you.

Your prayers for the sick are asked for:

Sunday (in all churches): Geraldine Lee, Gwen, Hannah, Huw, Alan Taylor, Neil Miles, Helen Nason, Lynda Owen, Myfanwy Newman, Graham Smith, Andy Carroll, Mair Roberts, Sister Ewa Bem and her mum, Robbie, Diana Walker, Emlyn Owen.
Please let us know the name of anyone who needs our prayers, and their carers.

Wednesday (St Cybi) Betty Ashton, Trevor Peacock, Angela Hillman, Menna Screech, Buddug Hems Williams, Barbara Smith, Gwilym Lewis, Huw Thomas, Megan Morgan, Edith Shepherd, Glenys Barton, Mair Roberts.

If you need us to pray for you for any reason at all, please let us know.

Rest in Peace : 'I am the resurrection and the life' ...

Chris Taylor, Ken Owen, Mari Manton, Rose Marie Roberts, Philip Williams (priest), Richard Dyer, Rita Williams, Gabrielle Jones, Doreen Peers, Jean Barton.

Burial of Ashes: Gwyneth Walsh

Please pray for the families and friends who grieve for their loved ones.

Grieving is nature's way of giving us time to accept the loss of those we love. It's a time to be very gentle with yourself...

Anniversaries of death:

November 03-09: Elizabeth Isherwood, Lilian Lloyd, Owain Lewis Roberts

November 10-16: Trudy Filby, John Richard Roberts, Ann Knight, Robert Williams.

November 17-23: Hilda Mary Cobbe, Edward Bennett Connor, Brian Williams.

November 24-30: Blodwen Samson.

If you have lost loved ones, and you wish to remember them in the Anniversaries of Death section, please get in touch as soon as possible. The fact that one of our clergy performed the ceremony, unfortunately does not mean that the name automatically transfers into the Anniversaries section. You need to request it please. It is very comforting to many people, to read and hear the name remembered.

Please pray for the newly baptised :

13 Oct: St Gwenfaen: Moli Fflur Hughes

27 Oct: St Ffraid: Jacob John Roberts

We welcome them as the newest members of our church family!

Please pray for these couples recently married—we wish them every happiness!

03 Oct: St Gwenfaen: Hayden Scott Bowers and Susan Ann Rogers

Special Anniversary Blessings to: Alan Tucker: it is 40 years since he was admitted as a Reader at Chester Cathedral. May you enjoy many more Alan!

Thanks for prayers answered: The family of **Geraldine Lee** send grateful thanks for her improved health, but ask please for continued prayers for her complete recovery. **Graham Smith** also thanks everyone for prayers which have brought him improved health. Please continue to pray for his complete recovery.

Thursday Bible Study Group takes a break in November, but resumes on 5th and 12th December for a short Advent Course. St David's: 6.15 pm for Coffee/Tea for a 6.30 pm start.

Remembrance Sunday—Sun 10th November—10.0am united service for all churches at St Cybi — followed by the traditional cenotaph parade. It's great to see the black perspex military figures in the church grounds again, generously sponsored by the British Legion!

Interesting historical November dates. On the 4th in 1862, Richard Gatling patented his first rapid-fire machine-gun which used revolving barrels rotating around a central mechanism to load, fire, and extract the cartridges. On the 6th in 1429, Henry VI was crowned King of England at age eight. He had acceded to the English throne at the age of nine months following the death of his father Henry V, and to the throne of France after the death of his maternal grandfather Charles VI. On the 9th in 1918, German Kaiser Wilhelm II abdicated his throne in the closing days of World War I and fled to Holland. In Germany, Philip Scheidemann, a Socialist leader, then proclaimed a democratic Republic and became its first Chancellor. On the 11th in 1918, at 5 a.m., in Marshal Foch's railway car in the Forest of Compiègne, the Armistice between the Allied and Central Powers was signed, silencing the guns of World War I effective at 11 a.m. – the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. On the 18th in 1477, William Caxton printed the first book in the English language, *The Dictes and Sayengis of the Philosophers*. On the 19th, Charles I, King of Scotland and England (1600-1649) was born. He ruled from 1625-49. He maintained the Divine Right of Kings to rule and opposed Parliament's challenges to his authoritarian style. This resulted in civil war and his eventual execution, followed by the establishment of a Commonwealth with Oliver Cromwell as Lord Protector. On the 22nd, in 1963, at 12:30 p.m., in downtown Dallas, 35th US President John F. Kennedy was shot in the back, then in the head. At 1 p.m, he was pronounced dead. On the 28th in 1919, Lady Nancy Astor was elected as the first female in the British House of Commons.

Rev. Jane Bailey will be moving house in early November, from Holyhead, into a "House for Duty" in Rhosneigr. We would like to give her a house warming gift in gratitude. If you would like to contribute, hand it to one of the wardens, as soon as possible please, in an envelope clearly marked "FOR JANE" **There will be a United Service on Sunday November 24th at 11.00am in St Ffraid's followed by a Bring and Share lunch to mark this move for Jane and present the gift. Everyone will be most welcome!**

Christmas Diary! It's never too soon to write them in. Please support!

6 Dec : St David: Carols by Candlelight: 7.0pm Magee Brothers

10 Dec: St Cybi : Rotary Carol Concert; 6.0pm Holyhead Male Voice Choir

13 Dec: St Ffraid: RNLI Carols: 7.0pm : Menai Bridge Brass Band

16 Dec : St Cybi : Opening Service for Christmas Tree Festival: 5.0pm

20 Dec: St David: Methodist Christingle—with a difference ! at 7.30pm.

22 Dec: St Gwenfaen: Lessons and Carols. 5.0pm

The **Pastoral Care Team** are delighted to be associated with the soon to be opened: **Anglesey St David's Hospice** at Penrhos Stanley Hospital, Holyhead. This independently run, four bedded Inpatient Unit is for adults with advanced illness. Offering respite and end of life care, it will be furnished with the best clinical equipment, including specialist beds and mattresses, hoists and recliner chairs to ensure that patients can remain as independent as possible, for as long as possible. Each bedroom will benefit from sea or garden views. The project will be opened in spring 2020. All capital and running costs will be raised by the charity totalling £950,000, and with some funding already secured, an appeal has been launched for the £475,000 needed to complete. Please look out for, and support, the newly opened charity shop on Stanley St, Holyhead as well as the established one in Valley. Their Christmas Fair on 23 Nov, at the Town Hall, Llangefni, will be an opportunity to do your festive shopping all in one place, with entertainment as a bonus, while supporting an excellent cause!

Everything you need will come to you at the perfect time!

If you wish to buy any of the ICONART transfers which have been on sale in St Cybi's, please ring Pat 860412. They make excellent Christmas gifts!