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

Join our 80+ Happy Birthday Corner!

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

Happy Birthday Blessings to:

George Lees: he celebrates 90 years on 20 June! **Tommy Williams:** he celebrates 82 years on 26 June!

We wish you all many more years of health and happiness!

What do we show on this month's cover? As we are still not allowed to travel very far, (I believe Portugal is one of the few options,) we are taking you on holiday again—this time to Brazil, both countries connected by the common Portuguese language! It is the largest country in South America. My much loved, late father served in the merchant navy during WW2, and spent much time traversing the eastern Atlantic coastline, as part of the convoy effort. As a small child, I remember him telling me about this amazing statue, Christ the Redeemer, located above Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, which impressed him very much. Although I have never visited, I am equally fascinated by the image, all these years later! Visited by two million people each year, it was completed in 1931, not that many years before his first visit. In that year, the statue was to be lit by a battery of floodlights turned on remotely by Italian shortwave radio inventor Guglielmo Marconi, stationed 9,200 kilometres (5,700 mi) away in Rome, Unfortunately due to bad weather and the distance involved, the lights had to be activated locally on-site. It seems to have been a truly international project: created by a French sculptor, built by a Brazilian engineer with collaboration from a French engineer, and the face was fashioned by a Romanian sculptor! It took nine years to construct. The height is 98 ft, on top of the 26 ft pedestal, and the welcoming arms stretch out to a width of 92 feet, symbolising peace! The statue weighs 635 metric tons, and is located at the peak of the 2,300 ft Corcovado mountain, overlooking the city of Rio de Janeiro. Specially constructed escalators provide access to the base of the pedestal, delivering magnificent views out across the city. A symbol of Christianity across the world, the statue has also become a cultural icon of both Rio de Janeiro and Brazil, and was voted in 2007 to be one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, along with the Great Wall of China, Machu Picchu and the Rose City of Petra. The Redeemer is made from reinforced concrete and soapstone, which is renowned for its enduring properties and ease of use. The concrete making up the base was supplied from Limhamn, in Sweden. Re-enforced concrete, and geometric design were important hall marks of the Art Deco movement, so popular in the early twentieth century. Due to its mountaintop position, the statue, which is the tallest example of its kind in the world, is prone to at least six lightning strikes each year. In 2014, before the FIFA world cup, lightning broke one of the statue's thumbs! With a reputation as a passionate foot balling nation, Brazil brilliantly illuminated the statue for that major sporting event, in its national colours. The head, arms and upper torso shone out in yellow, while the lower half was coloured green. The statue has had a major impact on housing prices in the area. Apartments with even a slight view can command a much larger price than those of a similar size, in the same area, with no view! Before lockdown travel restrictions, large numbers of young Brazilians studying at an international language school in Dublin, found their way daily by ferry to St Cybi's church and thoroughly enjoyed the welcome they received from the volunteer tourist guides!

You never realise how strong you are, until being strong is the only choice you have.

Marilyn, Anne and family of the late <u>Elizabeth Walker</u> wish to thank everyone for the kindness and sympathy shown towards them during the recent loss of a wonderful mother, Nain and big Nainie. Also for the many cards and generous donations being received towards St Cybi's Church and the local Dementia Charity, in her memory. A special thank you to Rev Rob Wardle for the lovely service and to Rev Canon Christine Llewelyn for her kind words at the service.

Thanks for prayers answered: Monica Griffiths, Sandra Recourt

BRO CYBI / HOLY ISLAND MINISTRY AREA PASTORAL CARE CIRCLE JUNE 2021

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We are looking forward to life getting back to some sort of normality, so that when you cannot come to church, the church will come to you again!

Our pastoral care visiting team has grown in size, to allow us to reach out to even more people, as soon as we are allowed. 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 town or village.

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: Alan Taylor, Ann Cuthbertson, Keith Bryant, Betty Pepper, Enid Jones, Brian Wray, David, Brenda Borsby, Myfanwy Newman, Henry Roberts, Albert Burton, Brenda, Mike Boylin, Judy, Anya (age 5), Ann Davies, Emma (in the US)

Let us know the name of anyone who needs our prayers, and their carers.

<u>Wednesday</u>: Hannah, Trevor Peacock, Menna Screech, Barbara Smith, Gwilym Lewis, Rosemary Tucker, Huw Thomas, Megan Morgan, Glenys Barton, Margaret Williams, Avril Foulkes.

Prayers for any other reason: Pam Edwards, Maurice, Angela Hillman, Sue.

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' ...

Tudor Jones, Joanna Chadwick, Hughie Hughes, Norma Colette Jones, Kenneth Elias Baker, Nancy Olwen Jones

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

Death leaves a heartache that no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.

Anniversaries of death:

June 06-12: Mary Angharad Harvey, Douglas Manton

June 13-19: Andrew Thomson, John Nightingale, Elizabeth Ann Fisher (Ena), Alfred Hammond, John Bulkeley.

June 20-26: Enid Blodwen Price, Grace Nightingale, Cyril Thomas, David Martin, William Mark Gray, Janet Woolley, Florence Mary Isobel Bell

June 27—July 03: Gary Lloyd Jones, Jane Williams

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.

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.

<u>Sue Jennings</u> (Local Speaker—Tel: 01407 731111) writes: 'Thank you to everyone who so kindly sent a donation to <u>The Leprosy Mission</u> for the 'Hubs of Hope' appeal for people in Mozambique. The amount raised from this and an Open Garden I held here, raised over £1000.'

Message from Bishop Andy: Hello Pat, Always enjoy this and grateful for your continued contact. Do please give my love to everyone and say I hope we can arrange an in person gathering before long. +Andy

<u>Just a reminder!</u> Nearly normal services have resumed in all four churches. St Cybi: Wednesday: 10.30am: Sunday: 11.0am; St David: Sunday: 9.15am: St Ffraid: Sunday: 11.0am: St Gwenfaen: Sunday: 9.15am. The first services in each church were joyful, and filled to the allowed capacity! If you haven't already been, we hope to see you very soon! Please don't forget to make a reservation!: St Cybi / Pat / 860412: St David/ Gill/760175: St Ffraid / Marj / Lesley: St Gwenfaen / Edna / Susan. Thank you!

Have you finished 'lock down de-cluttering"? If so, Betty Abbit (763868) is organising our annual charity shop, usual place, between 19-23 July. Please bring your donations in on Sunday 18th July. Any offers to serve in the shop will be much appreciated.

As so many of us are back in church, we will make sure that copies of this and future PCCs are available to pick up in each of our four buildings. Some of you have chosen to receive on line. We are delighted to keep home delivering to those who still need us to do so. Thank you.

Interesting facts about the month of June: On the 2nd in 1953, a cold and wet day, the coronation of Queen Elizabeth 2nd took place in Westminster Abbey. On the 3rd in 1162. Thomas Becket was consecrated as Archbishop of Canterbury. On the 4th, in **1738** King George III was born. He ruled for 60 years until 1820, and was the British King against whom the American Revolution was directed. On 5th in 755, English missionary Boniface "the apostle of Germany" was murdered by unbelievers, along with 53 of his companions. On the 12th, in 1667 the Dutch fleet under Admiral de Ruyter burned Sheerness, sailed up the River Medway, raided Chatham dockvard and stole the Royal barge "Royal Charles". On the 17th in 1579. Francis Drake dropped anchor off the south west coast of America. He proclaimed England's sovereignty over New Albion. (California) On the 22nd, in 1814, the first cricket match was played at Lords (spiritual home of cricket) between Marylebone CC and Hertfordshire CC. It was named after Thomas Lord, an English professional cricketer who founded the ground. On the 23rd, in 1683, William Penn the English Quaker signed a treaty with the chiefs of the Lenni Lenape tribe in an attempt to secure peace in his new American colony. On the 29th in 1613, London's Globe Theatre was destroyed by flames, as a cannon was fired to announce the king's entrance in a performance of Shakespeare's Henry V. The month of June was named after the Roman goddess JUNO, patroness of marriage and goddess of the well being of women, especially to ensure fertility and during childbirth. She was a daughter of Saturn, wife of Jupiter and mother of Mars, Vulcan, Bellona and Juventus. Her sacred animal was the peacock.

St Cybi Tourist Stewarding Team 2021. After a disastrous 2020, we very much hope to be able to welcome visitors again from 28 June. Pat has contacted previous volunteer guides, and will be delighted to welcome offers from anyone new wishing to join the team. Full training will be given. Please ring 860412. The Rotary Group have already agreed to re-connect! Thank you all.....

June Walsingham Mass: Jane writes: I'm pleased that we're resuming our monthly Walsingham Pilgrim's Mass and Angelus in St. Cybi's on Saturday,12. June at 11.30 am . It will be so wonderful for us to meet and worship together once again! All are very welcome but please do book-in for the service. Contact: Pat: 860412

Prayers for the sick, and for any other reason! From time to time, we have to have a "spring clean" of names, to ensure that our lists are always up to date. This hasn't been possible during lockdown, as so many have needed our prayers! So, from the next July edition of this PCC, we will delete all names. But, we are very happy for you to place names back on the list, if this is required. You may also place new names on, in the usual way- either ring or email Pat: 860412 or patriciahuges2017@gmail.com. When prayers are answered, please tell us, so that we may include the name in the "thank you" section. This means that the whole ministry area can then be grateful! This is the very best part of putting these pages together! Thank you!

The Monday evening 'on line Prayer group' has become popular, for "short notice" prayers! We sometimes don't get much warning of illness and death! For prayers to be included—please contact Jane Bailey. 810827

Delighted to be able to include a wedding and a baptism again!:

Please pray for this couple recently married. We wish them every happiness!

15 May: St Gwenfaen: Michael Llewelyn Roberts and Emma Sian Marie Dunn

Please pray for this newly baptised baby:

30 May: St Cybi: Aleyah Louise Seymore

We welcome her as the newest member of our church family!

There is no elevator to success—you have to take the stairs!