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 :

May Tommis: she celebrates 86 years on 10th May ! Margaret Williams: she celebrates 92 years on 17th May ! Father Bryan Parry: he celebrates 90 years on 19th May! Alan Tucker: he celebrates 89 years on 31st May ! We wish you many more years of health and happiness!

What do we show on this month's cover? A painting / engraving of the coronation, which took place in Westminster Abbey, of William I on Christmas Day 1066. The story is that in 1051, the childless King Edward the Confessor promised the throne of England to his distant cousin, William of Normandy. However, on his deathbed in January 1066, Edward changed his mind, and named as king a powerful English earl called Harold Godwinson. He was crowned as Harold II, the last Anglo Saxon king, in Westminster Abbey on the day of Edward's death. William invaded England in Sept 1066, decisively defeating and killing Harold on 14 October 1066, at the Battle of Hastings. William the Congueror was crowned in Westminster Abbey on Christmas Day of that year. It was originally built in 960 as a Benedictine monastery, and rebuilt as a church by Edward in 1065. At William's coronation, both Saxon and Norman rites were used, and the bishops conducted the service in both English and French. Interesting to know that Charles III will be the 40th monarch to be crowned there 957 vears later. Camilla will be the 29th consort. However the Conqueror was not the first king whose coronation was recorded. That privilege was granted to the Anglo Saxon king Edgar the Peaceful, and his consort Aelfthryth, who were crowned in Bath in 973. In fact, the order of his service was specially created by St Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, and was replicated in its entirety for Queen Elizabeth II, in1953, nearly one thousand vears later!.

<u>King Charles III:</u> He drives a 51 year old classic blue Aston Martin DB6. Known for his passion for things eco-friendly, the car does not run on traditional fuel, but on waste products. The conversion was made many years ago. The "fuel" is a sustainable mix of surplus English white wine, which is unsuitable for human consumption, and the whey by products from cheese processes. Did you also know that he plays 3 musical instruments: guitar, piano and cello and is a classically trained singer?

Can you please spare two hours each week, from early May to end September, as a volunteer tour guide in St Cybi ? Necessary skills are a welcoming personality, and the ability to chat with complete strangers from all over the world. We will ensure that you know enough of our local history to work with an experienced steward. Please contact Pat 860412.

Janice Foulkes writes that she has actually seen the magnificent sculpture of the "Veiled Christ" depicted on the cover of our April PCC, and was really impressed.

Jane Bailey writes: You are warmly invited to join us at our annual Cytun Caergybi/ Holyhead "Churches Together " Christian Aid Schools Service. It will be a delight to once again welcome children from across our Ministry Area to St. Mary's Church to worship together. Please join us on Friday, 19th May at 10.00 am, followed be refreshments in St. Mary's Church Hall.

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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. The clergy currently undertake all visits

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: Brian Wray, Mike Boylin, Judy, Ray, Alan, Pat Jones, David Carey, Janice, Michelle, Carolann Wedlake, Annette, Catherine Owen, Malcolm, Gareth.

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

Wednesday: Hannah, Rosemary Tucker, Huw, David Carey, Katie Jones, Gwyn, Sue Tatlow.

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

<u>Rest in Peace :</u> "Love is meant to hurt, when it leaves " Keith Thomas , Tommy Fagan, Idris Parry

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

Grief is love with no where to go!

Anniversaries of death:

April 30-May 6: Jill Evans, Ann Gray, Eryl Lloyd Williams, David Thomas Davies.(former rector) George Cyril Cobbe, Vida Tonkin, Malcolm Bell.

May 7-13: Edgar Waddington, Mervyn Connor, Grenville Barton, Margaret Waugh, Monica Eaton, Tudor Jones, Alfred Owen Fisher.

May 14-20: Jean Greenwood, Derek Martin Hughes, Terry Roberts, Ken Griffiths, Glyn Shergo, Robin William Jones, Geoffrey Bacon (All three lost at sea 1984 in the Holyhead fishing trawler "South Stack") Jeremy John Francis.

May 21-27: Howard Larmour English, Harry Glazebrook, Ellen Greenwood, George Jones, Joseph Alan Jones.

May 28-June 3: John Smithies, William Edward Jones , Elwyn Marshall.

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

The April **Mothers Union social afternoon** meeting was most enjoyable, even though our original speaker Gareth Rowlands had to cancel, due to illness. Join us on Thurs, 18th May @ 2.0pm at St David's. Our speaker will be Richard Parry: the interesting subject will be Holyhead Council and its History. All are welcome, we are a friendly group—why not try us out? Tea/coffee/biscuits !

The **Tuesday lectionary study group** meet each week in **St Ffraids Hall, 12 till 1pm,** with a cup of coffee or tea to discuss the following Sunday's bible readings. We look forward to welcoming you ! For more details contact Rev Neil, 861663.

Allegedly the only time that the late Queen Elizabeth II carried cash in her handbag, was for the collection plate on her visits to church.

VIP Date for the Diary! A right royal party! St David's – Saturday 6 May at 3.30pm, to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. Tickets £ 8 each– to include afternoon tea with enter-tainment. Royal fancy dress optional! **Ring Linda 765697 or Sandra 764698 to buy NOW!**

Thanks for prayers answered: Baby Emlyn: Sue Tatlow's health is improving, but please keep up the prayers until she is completely well. Thank you.

On Sunday 7th May, the joint ministry area service will be in St Ffraid @ 11.0am. Do come! (There will be no services in other churches on that day !)

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY—8 MAY—ST GWENFAENS HALL— Coronation Tea Party—with cake—from 3.0-4.30pm. Live Music with Casey Jones. Entrance £5 per adult (inc refills) - children free. Competition—prize for best crown—child /adult. Profits to St David's Hospice. HOLYHEAD. Do come!

Snippets about various coronations thro the ages. The oldest piece of coronation regalia still in use today, is the silver gilt spoon, dating from the middle of the 12th century, and believed to have been first used for either Henry II or Richard I. The chrism oil, made from olives from the Mount of Olives, the burial place of the mother of the late Prince Philip, and consecrated at the Holy Sepulchre Church in Jerusalem, will be poured into it before being used to anoint King Charles III and Oueen Camilla. The spoon survived the purge of Oliver Cromwell, and was returned for the coronation of Charles II. The spoon is constructed into two lobes, enabling the Archbishop to dip two fingers in, before making the sign of the cross on the hands, breast and head of the new monarch, Although the most humble piece, it is a real survivor! This anointing tradition originated in the Old Testament in about 970 BC, where Solomon was anointed by Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet. In **1377** the coronation of the ten year old king Richard II was the first attempt at broadening the ceremony to include ordinary people. He travelled through the decorated streets of London on horseback, bands played and the fountains of the capital flowed with wine. In 1483 Edward V, the elder of the "princes in the tower", should have been crowned, aged 12, but was not. Why? Both brothers disappeared before this could happen and the throne was seized by their uncle Richard III. In 1547 the coronation of Edward VI, was the first protestant ceremony. In **1553** his first cousin Lady Jane Grey, the "nine day queen" had the shortest reign on record, but was never crowned. She was replaced that year by Edward's half sister Mary I, who restored the Roman Catholic rite. In 1559, her half sister Elizabeth I was crowned in a basically Roman Catholic rite, but because she insisted on including her protestant beliefs, it was impossible to find a high ranking bishop to officiate! The service was a mix of Latin and English. However, in 1603, the service for her successor James I was in English only. In **1937**, the crowning of George VI was narrated on the radio, and parts were filmed and shown in cinemas. The procession was actually shown on television and watched by about 9,000 families fortunate enough to own one. The coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in 1953, was the first to be televised in full, and watched by 526.000 households, including friends who squeezed in for the day! The UK is the last European monarchy to still maintain the ceremony of coronation. Westminster Abbey is unlike a Cathedral, which is under the jurisdiction of a diocesan bishop. The Abbey is a "Royal Peculiar," subject directly to the monarch!

St Gwenfaens Easter Monday Coffee Morning and Auction was a huge success! It raised £486 for church funds plus £910 for the Window Appeal! Many thanks to all involved!

All will be welcome at our next Walsingham Mass and AGM, at 11.30 am on Saturday, 13 May, at St Cybi. If you are interested in joining our August 2023 Walsingham pilgrimage, (no single room supplement charged) please contact Jane 01407 521092 or Pat 01407 860412. Our friendly group will be delighted to meet you, before we travel!

Quotes from Charles III: "I find myself born into this particular position. I'm determined to make the most of it. And to do whatever I can to help. And I hope I leave things behind a little bit better than I found them"." I feel more than anything else it's my duty to worry about everybody and their lives in this country, to try to find a way of improving things if I possibly can." "I ... solemnly pledge myself throughout the remaining time God grants me, to uphold the constitutional principles at the heart of our nation. And wherever you may live in the United Kingdom or in the realms and territories across the world and whatever may be your background or beliefs, I shall endeavour to serve you with loyalty, respect, and love as I have throughout my life". <u>Quotes about</u>

the King from other people: He has amazing personal discipline. The man never stops. The royals – all of them, especially Prince Philip and Prince Charles – have done outstanding work with the faith communities. A champion of the environment and a voice for the people, long may he reign!