

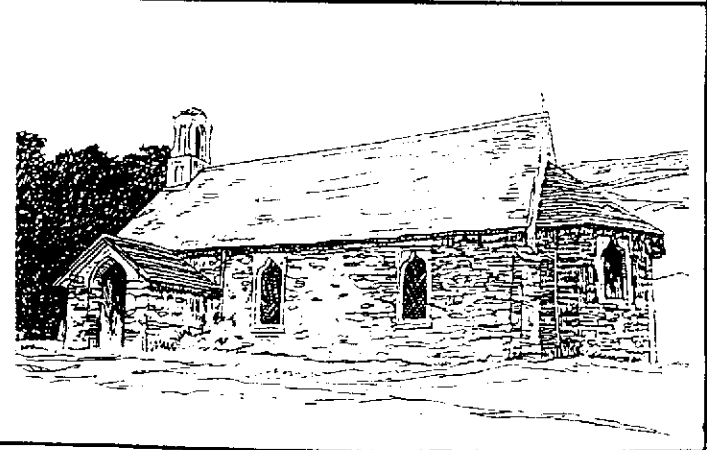
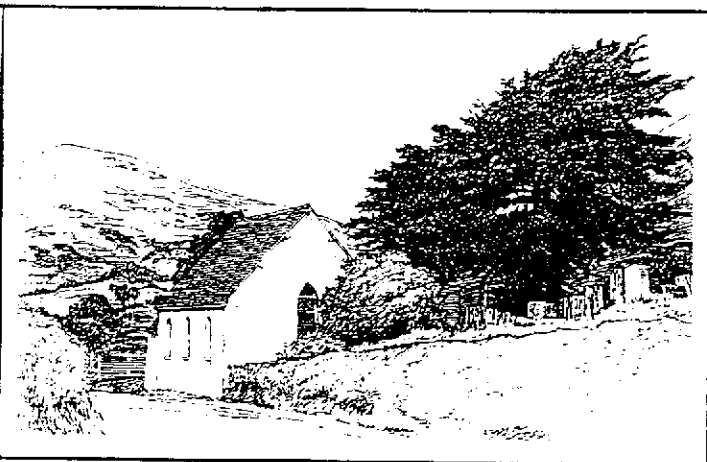
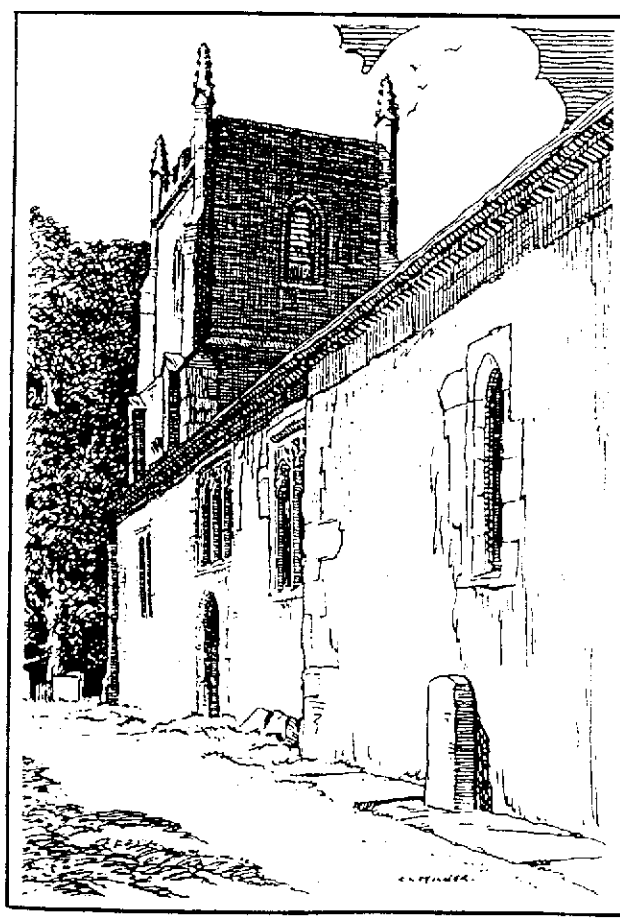
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LLANSILIN PARISH CHURCH

WITH LLANGADWALADR CHURCH AND
RHIWLAS MISSION CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 1997

CHURCH SERVICES

Llansilin

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	10.00am
	Sunday School	10.00am
2nd Sunday	Matins	10.00am
3rd Sunday	Holy Communion	8.30am
4th Sunday	Cymun Bendigaid	9.00am
	Evensong	6.30pm
5th Sunday	Family Service	10.00am

Llangedwyn

1st Sunday	Evensong	6.30pm
2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	8.30am
3rd Sunday	Family Service	10.30am
4th Sunday	Holy Communion	10.30am
5th Sunday	Matins	8.30am

Llangadwaladr and Rhiwlas Churches

1st Sunday	Holy Communion	Rhiwlas	2.30pm
2nd Sunday	Holy Communion	Llangadwaladr	2.30pm
3rd Sunday	Evensong	Rhiwlas	2.30pm
4th Sunday	Evensong	Llangadwaladr	2.30pm

VICAR: Revd C F Carter The Vicarage Llansilin. Telephone number: 01691 791209

GOFALAETH BRO LLANSILIN Chapel Services

Medi - September

7fed	Gweinidog (Cymun)	Bethania	6.30pm
14eg	Mrs Nesta Barker Jones	Salem	2.00pm
21ain	Gweinidog	Cefncanol	10.30am
28ain	Parch Gwilym O Jones	Bethesda	2.00pm

Hydref - October

5ed	Gweinidog	Soar	6.30pm
12fed	Parch Dafydd Hughes	Rhiwlas	2.00pm
19fed	Gweinidog	Bethania	10.30am
26ain	Mr Arthur Hughes	Salem	2.00pm

Tachwedd - November

2ain	Gweinidog (Cymun)	Cefncanol	6.00pm
9fed	Parch D S Wynne	Bethesda	2.00pm
16eg	Gweinidog	Soar	10.30am
23ain	Parch R Dyfan Thomas	Rhiwlas	6.30pm
30ain	Parch Iwan Lewis	Bethania	2.00pm

GWEINIDOG/MINISTER: Y Parch Stanton Evans 20 Croeswylan Lane Oswestry.
Telephone number: 01691 654682.



HARVEST

*Kind hearts are the garden,
Kind thoughts are the roots;
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruits.*

THE VICAR'S LETTER.

I'm writing this letter in mid-August, and in search of a topical sermon-idea the other day I trawled through the Bible for any references to holidays or people taking time off. In only the second verse of the second chapter I discovered that the first person to take a well-earned break was God himself, when after creating the universe in six days "he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made", leaving newly-created humankind to "mind the shop" on his behalf. Well, we all know how that experiment turned out, and though the story of Adam and Eve is only a legend, like all myths it enshrines a kernel of truth: we as the "crown of creation" on this planet really are responsible for looking after the Earth and all living things which share it with us, and through greed and ambition we are making a thorough mess of it. By Jesus' time nit-picking religiosity was in danger of turning the Sabbath from a God-given gift into a burden, but it still meant that everyone, including wives, workmen and slaves, shared a weekly day of rest on which they downed tools and took time to stand back from their busy lives and see things from God's point of view. And every seven years the land itself enjoyed a sabbath, allowed to lie fallow so that all the goodness would'nt be worked out of it.

Modern society is in danger of losing sight of external truths because we no longer allow ourselves time to think, or simply to "stand and stare". In our drive for "development" or "productivity we overwork the earth and we overwork each other, hounded by the threat of unemployment if we don't conform. Only yesterday a friend told me that virtually no-one she knew was happy in their work, because of the pressures of a society which valued, or rather de-valued them as produces or consumers rather than as people. I had already begun to write this letter when I came across a thought-provoking article by John Davies, late Bishop of Shrewsbury and before that our neighbour at Llanrhaeadr. He contrasts Biblical with pagan morality. A pagan god was seen as a capricious and arbitrary power. "In our own day", he says " many people feel that "the market" is just a mindless, capricious power against which we can never win. The market may be useful as a tool, but it is dangerous as a god? Pagan gods all too often demand human sacrifices, but we believe in a God who values and cherishes his people and desires their well-being and their spiritual health. "The people of God are a redeemed community", writes Bishop John. "We can judge how far a community is redeemed by seeing whether its members are still slaves, whether they are still valued only as producers of wealth, often, a slave was a person who was trapped in unpayable debt, which is exactly where many of the poorer countries of the world find themselves now. Just as a biblical morality inspired our predecessors to free our debtors".

And hear again we can learn a lesson from the ancient Hebrews. After seven times seven years, they kept the fiftieth as a "year of jubilee" in which all outstanding debts were cancelled through pressure of poverty had sold themselves into slavery were set free, so that the whole people of God would make a new start. Recently I spent a whole day in the Christian Aid tent at the National Eisteddfod, urging people to follow the example of our Archbishop and all the leaders of all the mainstream churches in Wales by signing a petition for a moratorium on the third-world debt to celebrate the millenium. Everyone who signed wrote their name on a link of a rainbow-coloured paper chain as a sign of hope to set against the shackles of debt which force so many poor countries to impoverish both their land and their people, and squander irreplaceable natural resources which ought to be treasured as the common heritage of their children and ours simply to pay the interest on loans pressed on them by governments and industrialists in our wealthy "Western" countries to finance over-ambitious "developments" which they could'nt afford and often did'n really need.

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Copies of this "Jubilee 2000" petition will be available at our Harvest-tide events, and I hope that many of you will feel moved to sign, in his name who, for the sake of the value he places on us all redeemed us with the price of his own blood.

Christopher Carter

HARVEST SERVICES 1997

Llansilin	Friday 3rd October	7pm	- Preacher: To be announced
Llangadwaladr	Tuesday 7th October	7pm	- Preacher: " " "
Llangedwyn	Friday 10th October	7pm	- Preacher: Revd Evelyn Davies Pennant Melangell
Rhiwlas	Friday 17th October	7pm	- Preacher: To be announced

THE ANNUAL JOINT HARVEST SUPPER WITH LLANGEDWYN CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
will be held on Wednesday 15th October at Llansilin Memorial Hall at 7pm
Grace will be said at 7.30pm. Sit down meal followed by entertainment.
Tickets available from P.C.C. members.

Christian Aid week May 11th - 16th

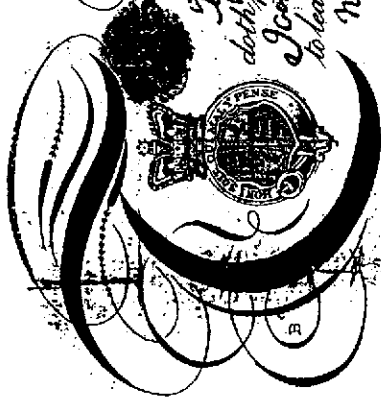
The contributions this year amounted to £433.43 and will have been forwarded to India. As stated in the previous Newsletter our guest speaker Rukmini Rao explained at our annual coffee evening how it would be spent. Contributions were as follows :- Chapel service collection - £52.60, Coffee evening - £193.00, Donations - £34.95, Cefncanol chapel - £20.00, Rhiwlas chapel - £34.60, Over 60's - £5.00. House to House collections - Moelfre Mrs Bullard - £22.19, Llangedwyn Miss Sarah Hughes - £37.39, Rhiwlas Mrs D Hutchinson - £24.65 and Bro Cynllaith - £13.65.

The treasurer Mr John Jones Pantglas Ucha and organising secretary Mrs Rhiannon Lewis wishes to thank everybody for their generous contributions
Diolch o galon i bawb.

The recent memorial service to Bell, together with changes at Brynaber, the family home for generations, reminds us yet again that we are only "passing" through"!

Readers may be interested to read Lewis Thomas's Indentures, signed by Alun Hughes, Bells grandfather in 1900! Bell would have been pleased to know that the carpentry and joinery skills taught by his grandfather, continue in the apprentices grandson Joe Thomas who, together with great grandson Julian, carries on the tradition as builder and undertaker at Oak St, Oswestry

Note the confusion with dates on the Indentures and bear in mind we are approaching the end of another century!



Indenture Wherby

That Lewis Thomas of Kent and Thomas Thomas of Kent

the Parish of Clonster in the County of Denbigh Son of Robert Thomas of the County of Denbigh the Consent of Robert Thomas his father doth put him self Apprentice to Allen Thomas eldest son of the said Thomas of Clonster in the County of Clonster from the tenth day of October one thousand nine hundred and twenty nine into the full End and Term of two Years from thence next following to be fully complete and ended. During which Term the said Apprentice his Master faithfully shall serve his said Master his lawful commands every where gladly do he shall do no damage to his said Master nor see to be done of others but to his Master shall till as for the wages agreed upon between the said Master and the said Apprentice he shall not receive the goods of his said Master nor bond them unlawfully to any he shall not contract that money within the said Term nor see to be done of others Dice Tatters or any other unlawful games whereby his said Master shall receive any loss with him nor see to be done of others during the said Term without licence of his said Master shall neither buy nor sell shall not hunt Taverners or Playhouses nor absent himself from his said Master's service day or night unlawfully. But in all things as a freeborn Apprentice he shall behave himself towards his said Master and all his during the said Term. And the said Lewis Thomas as



Witness one Sheldright

doe and Approve in the presence of Allen Thomas and Lewis Thomas which he doth by the last clause and in consideration of which he doth give Allen Thomas the sum of Ten Pounds to receive from the said Robert Thomas as premium the sum of Ten Pounds to the said Robert Thomas to pay to Ten Pounds in the last day of May one thousand nine hundred and

And for the true performance of all and every the said covenants and agreements either of the said Lewis Thomas himself into the other by these presents the said Lewis Thomas doth hereby give unto the said Robert Thomas the sum of Ten Pounds and in the last day of May one thousand nine hundred and

done at London the

Witness our hands and seals the tenth day of October one thousand nine hundred and

Robert Thomas

Lewis Thomas

Sunday June 22nd 1997

St Silin's Church was crowded with family and friends for the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of "Bell" as he was affectionately known by us all. As a mark of respect for his loyal service to the church a flower arrangement was placed on the seat which he had occupied for so many years. The service was taken by the Vicar the Revd: C F Carter who also gave the address. Miss Morfudd Williams was the organist and the collection was taken by Mr Wyn Hughes Laurels and Mr Dan Jones Lloran Ganol. The collection - donations were divided between the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and the St Silin's Belfry Restoration Fund.

"SCANDINAVIAN EVENING"

A very enjoyable evening was spent by over 60 people at the Scandinavian evening at Plas Lledrod on 5th July, in aid of the Llansilin Bells Appeal. Of particular interest was the Scandinavian Corner, with photographs, books, artifacts etc. The organisers would like to thank everyone who came and in particular all those who helped with the excellent food and drink.

Thank you to the "Hill-Trevor's" for inviting us to their home for this event.



MOTHER'S UNION

The June meeting took the form of an outing. The venue this year was a visit to a very interesting garden at Berriew where after a tour of the garden, tea was served in the farmhouse style kitchen. Afterwards members and friends then visited the Woollen Mill at Welshpool Railway Station and then finally this was followed by supper at Golfa Hall Hotel.

For the July meeting Mrs Glenice Jones - the enrolling member opened the meeting with a short service. Mrs Eirian Williams of Meifod gave a cookery demonstration entitled "Summer Sweets". This was much enjoyed. Mrs Phyllis Hughes Awelon expressed thanks to Mrs Williams on behalf of those present. The meeting concluded with tea and biscuits.

There will be no meeting in August and the next meeting will be held in the Institute on Thursday 18th September at 2.15pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Learning to look up things in the bible is'nt easy when you are young. This recipe is a fun way we had of doing it in Sunday School and the buns we made tasted really good too! Have a go at both!! See back page for recipe.

Sunday School starts up again on September 7th and I'm glad to say welcome to Mrs Doreen Gower who's going to join us.

ANSWERS for Bible Buns -	
Flour	Honey
Butter	
Sugar	Raisins
Egg	Baking Powder
Milk	

LLANSILIN CHURCH SIDESMENS ROTA SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER INCL

September

7th Mrs Beryl Jones 14th Mrs Kathleen Jones 21st Miss Mary Morris
28th Mr Dan Jones 28th Mr Peter Carter (E)

October

3rd Church Wardens 5th Sunday School 12th Mr John Roberts
19th Mrs Hill-Trevor 26th Miss Olive Jones

26th Mr David Bickerton (E)

November

2nd Mrs Beryl Jones 9th Mr Dennis Sockett 16th Mr Clive Inman
23rd Mr Wynn Hughes 23rd Mrs Anneli Thomas (E)

30th Sunday School

E - Evensong

Beryl Jones	-	653941	Anneli Thomas	-	791239	Mary Morris	-	791223
Dan Jones	-	791287	Peter Carter	-	791226	Clive Inman	-	791497
Olive Jones	-	791363	Ivor Ashley	-	791283	David Bickerton	-	791234
Dennis Sockett	-	791237	John Roberts	-	791352	Wynn Hughes	-	791216
Kathleen Jones	-	791243.						

N.B. If you cannot do your "slot", please try and exchange with one of the above, or telephone Deborah on 791402. I would like to remind all sidesmen that their duties do include giving out the books, putting them away, and, if possible, counting the collection and entering it correctly, or, at least putting it in an envelope provided writing on the date and time and seeing it is put in the safe.

Your co-operation in these matters would be very greatly appreciated!

FLOWER AND CLEANING ROTA - SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER INCL.

September 7th & 14th	Mrs Margaret Lloyd and Miss Mary Morris
September 21st & 28th	Mrs Valerie Burton & Mrs Annali Thomas
October 5th & 12th	Harvest Thanksgiving - All ladies
October 19th & 26th	Mrs Sheila Ashley & Mrs Christine Williams
November 2nd & 9th	Mrs Beryl Jones & Miss Morfudd Williams
November 16th & 23rd	Mrs Kathleen Jones & Mrs Betty Evans
November 30th & 7th December	Mrs Megan Evans & Mrs Bronwen Taylor

We hope these dates are suitable for everyone, if not would you please arrange for someone else to do it for you or, if their is a problem please ring 791402. THANK YOU.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 15th 1997

An "OPEN" meeting will be held in the Church on the above date at 7pm. The purpose of this meeting is to review the flower and cleaning procedures. We feel the time is right for change. Whoever, whatever (males welcome!) will be welcomed to attend. We are open to new ideas and suggestions so why not come along and join us on Monday 15th of September.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September

Thursday 18th 2.15pm Mother's Union meeting Institute

October

Wednesday 15th 7.00pm Annual Joint Harvest Supper Memorial Hall
Llansilin

Thursday 16th 2.15pm Mother's Union meeting Institute

November

Sunday 9th 10.30am Remembrance Service Wesleyan(Soar) Chapel
Thursday 20th 2.15pm Mother's Union meeting Institute

(Friday 21st November 7.30pm, the renewal group (3 valleys) are holding a Welsh Language service at Llansilin, probably in the Hall. Rev: R Smith may know details).

RECIPE FOR BIBLE BUNS

9oz	250g	1 Kings	4: 22	1tsp	1 teaspoon	1 Samuel	14: 25
3oz	75g	Judges	5: 25	$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp	teaspoon	Leviticus	2: 13
3oz	75g	Jeremiah	6: 20	2oz	50g	1 Samuel	30: 12
1	1	Jeremiah	17: 11	$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp	teaspoon	Amos	4: 5
$\frac{1}{2}$ pt	A little	Judges	4: 19	$\frac{1}{4}$ tsp	teaspoon	2 Chronicles	9: 9

Method - Mix it all well together. Put in bun cases. Rough the surface.
Cook in an oven 400 F / 200 C / Gas 6 for 10 - 15 minutes.

Answers on page 6.

PARISH REGISTER

June 8th	Baptism	Millie Kate Edwards	Priddbwllch Ganol
June 22nd	Baptism	Chloe Rebecca Mates	Llangadwaladr Church
		Grand daughter of	Church Warden Mrs Vera Evans

PLEASE NOTIFY THE VICAR if you would like home communion, special prayers or if you know of anyone who is in hospital or ill at home.

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to this newsletter.

DISTRIBUTION: Margaret - Tel: 791472

The next NEWSLETTER will be produced on 1st December 1997. We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions so please do not hesitate to contact Margaret or myself Mary with whatever! - Telephone: 791223 by 1st November 1997

PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT PCC MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE INSTITUTE ON FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 1997