

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 :

Gwilym Lewis: he celebrates 85 years on 9 September!

Les Shepherd: he celebrates 93 years on 13 September!

We wish you many more years of health and happiness!

Whereabouts in the world are we, on our cover this month? Hamburg, northern Germany! 29th Sept is the feast day of Michael, a very popular archangel and saint: a champion of justice, a healer of the sick, and the guardian of the church. This month, last year we read about who he was and what he was about, including a traditional illustration of his successful vanquishing of Lucifer /Satan, by throwing him out of heaven. This year we celebrate his day with a magnificent large modern bronze statue, which adorns the entrance to St Michael's, in Hamburg, one of the largest and most famous Lutheran churches in that city. Considered to be one of the finest Protestant Baroque churches, it was built in an awe inspiring style. The Baroque era followed the Renaissance, and was a style of ornate art that flourished in Europe from the early 1600s until 1740. Large enough to seat 2,500 persons, the church was purposely built Protestant, as opposed to those which had been originally built Roman Catholic, but then transformed to Protestant after the Reformation. The 132-meter high Baroque spire totally covered with copper is a prominent feature of Hamburg's skyline and has always been a navigation mark for ships sailing up the river Elbe. Although it is an exceptionally beautifully located church, in some ways, it has been most unfortunate! The present church is the third on this site. The first was started in 1647, and it was destroyed in 1750 in a powerful lightning strike. The second church burned down during restoration efforts in 1906. Shortly afterwards, construction of the current church began. The luminous white nave is framed by undulating galleries, and gold capped Corinthian columns leading up to a marble pulpit, a baptismal font and a 20 meter high marble altar, depicting the Last Supper, Crucifixion and Resurrection. When in the city, a visit to the church is a 'must' and there is plenty to explore and enjoy! The composer and pianist Johannes Brahms was baptized here on May 26, 1833 and confirmed at the age of fifteen by Pastor von Ahlsen, who had also celebrated the marriage of Brahms's parents. It is very hard to ignore the musical church sounds! Every weekday at 10:00 am and 9:00 pm, and at 12 noon on Sundays, the famous trumpeter of 'Michel' (the affectionate local church name) plays a trumpet solo from the bell tower. This is the largest in Germany and is reached either by 453 steps, or a lift, offering spectacular city views. Inside, you can also enjoy hearing impressive 15 minute recitals by the organ master at noon, from any of the five magnificent organs. As you enter the church make sure to look up to admire the amazing image featured on our cover, and pay your respects to Archangel Michael who watches over the gate, while at the same time, he overcomes Satan !The largest clock in Germany features the famous millennium bell. It is wonderful to climb the tower at night to admire the thousands of twinkling lights that illuminate the city. If heights are not your thing, descend into the mysterious crypts below the church. From 1762 to 1817, many members of rich Hamburg families, of the church community and of guilds were buried in these crypts, such as famous composer Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach, the son of Johann Sebastian Bach, and Johann Matheson, a contemporary of Handel. **If any of our readers have had the opportunity to visit this amazing church, do please tell us!**

Mothers Union. The regular weekly Wednesday Eucharist service in St Cybi on 10th August at 10.30am, was a celebration for Mary Sumner, the founder of the organisation. Rev Neil Ridings, our Diocesan Chaplin, took the service, which was well attended. All will be very welcome at the next monthly meeting, **2.0pm on Thursday, 22 September at St Davids.** Be prepared to enjoy a fun, social afternoon! All will be very welcome.....

"All of us are stars and deserve the right to twinkle." - Marilyn Monroe

**BRO CYBI / HOLY ISLAND MINISTRY AREA
PASTORAL CARE CIRCLE
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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. Until this happens, the clergy will handle all visits.

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: Brian Wray, Mike Boylin, Judy, Myfanwy Newman, Yvonne Fairlamb, Ray, Eunice, Anita Parry, Sylvia Owen, Jim Shields, Thelma Collins-Jones, Alan, Ailia Lewis, Dave No 9, Lewis.

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

Wednesday : Hannah, Menna Screech, Rosemary Tucker, Huw , Dave No 9, Brenda Borsby .

Prayers for any other reason:

Angela, Pam: Andy, Hannah and baby Harrison: That inflation and the cost of living be brought under control, so that our people will not financially fear the coming winter and beyond!

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' ...

Ivor Jones, Maureen Davies, Frances Evans, Linda Hunt,

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

Grief is love with no where to go!

Anniversaries of death:

Sept 04 –10: Betty Jackson, John Noble Griffiths, Len Roberts, Pat Roberts, Sheila Kathleen Evans

Sept 11-17: Thomas Theodore Griffith, Bob Hillman, Elizabeth Roberts, Raymond Hughes

Sept 18-24: Violet Williams, Dennis Fewtrell, Thomas Henry Thomas, David Lee Roberts, Austin Benson Greenwood, Margaret Warden Williams

Sept 25-Oct 02: Joan Walker, Michael Corrie, Helen Nason

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.

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 read and hear the name remembered.

Please pray for this little person recently baptised :

14 August: St Cybi: Millie Rose Griffiths-Dixon

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

Please pray for these couples recently married: We wish them every happiness!

27 August : St Cybi: Craig Williams and Carla Desmond

20 August: St Ffraid: Anthony Raymond Stephenson-Brown and Clare Rosemary Williams received a wedding blessing.

St David will hold their **charity shop** from **5-9 September** . Donations of goods to sell, will be gratefully received at the shop from about 10am on Sat 3rd Sept. In Japan, if anything you own does not give you joy you are advised to give it away! Please support! Thank you.

St Cybi's church is most grateful to the family and friends of the late **Betty Pritchard**, who donated £788 in her memory. She was a much loved, member of the congregation. Thank you all!

Thanks for prayers answered! Sylvia and Mike Boylin thank everyone for their prayers for Mike. It has been a long journey, but consultants are now moving in a different direction, resulting in a great improvement! They ask please that you keep up the prayers, until he is completely well.

Neil writes: Over recent months the clergy have gradually returned to taking Home Communion to those who have requested it. We are conscious that there may well be others too, who have not been in touch. If you would like Home Communion then please do contact one of the Clergy Team. Thank you.

Interesting September Dates: On the **4th 1962**, the Beatles, had their first recording session in Abbey Road. On the **5th 1946**, Freddie Mercury lead singer of Queen was born. On the **7th 1533**, Queen Elizabeth I was born. On the **8th 1157**, King Richard I was born. On the **12th 1852**, Herbert Asquith was born. He was the former Prime Minister whose liberal party introduced the state pension in 1909. On the **12th 1908**, Winston Churchill married Clementine Hozier. On the **13th 1902**, Harry Jackson was the first person to be convicted in Britain on fingerprint evidence. On the **15th 1830**, MP William Huskisson was Britain's first rail fatality, at the opening of the Liverpool – Manchester railway. On the **15th 1890**, crime writer Agatha Christie was born. On the **16th 1387**, Henry V was born. On the **17th 1929**, British racing driver Sir Sterling Moss was born. On the **19th 1356**, the Black Prince – son of Edward III, led the English to victory over the French at the Battle of Poitiers. On the **19th 1839**, George Cadbury, chocolate manufacturer and social reformer was born. On the **20th 1258**, Salisbury Cathedral was consecrated. On the **22nd 1735**, Britain's first Prime Minister Robert Walpole, moved into 10 Downing Street. On the **25th 1818**, Guys Hospital London performed the first human blood transfusion. On the **26th, 1580** Sir Francis Drake returned to Plymouth having sailed around the world in the Golden Hind.

All will be welcome at our Walsingham Mass at 11.30 am on Saturday, 10th September, at St Cybi. You may be a seasoned pilgrim, considering your first pilgrimage, just curious or enjoy the smell of incense and the sound of bells!

After a successful series of August events, St Gwenfaen's Church, Rhoscolyn will offer a most unusual evening of Renaissance and Baroque Music. Roger Child is the award winning performer, who will help raise money for their stained glass window appeal on Thursday, 29 Sept, at 7.0pm. Ticket price of £7 will include a glass of Prosecco! Please book now, by ringing: Susan, 860569, Edna 861388, or Pam 07790 387571. All will be most welcome!

Betty Abbit and team are grateful to everyone who helped with the **St Cybi charity shop** in July. Over the fortnight, the amazing sum of £1714-17 was raised. Thank you!

Archbishop Andy John receives our PCC each month electronically. The August edition reached him while he was at the Lambeth Conference. He kindly took time out from his busy schedule to send his love to us all. That was much appreciated Andy!

Ailia Lewis wishes to thank everyone for the prayers, good wishes and phone calls, which she has received since her accident. She is improving slowly, but would be grateful if you could please continue with prayers, until she is totally recovered,

One of our readers **Mair Nelson** has actually seen the magnificent statue featured in our August edition, in St Georges, Grenada. Her late husband Roy was a native of the area. Apologies that I originally misspelt the name of that beautiful Caribbean country!

During a draught, the villagers prayed for rain. Only one boy brought an umbrella. That is **FAITH!** When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is **TRUST!** Every night, we go to bed without any assurance that we will see the next morning, but we still set the alarm. That is **HOPE!** We unknowingly plan things for the future. That is **CONFIDENCE!** An old man wore a tee shirt which read: I am not 80 years old, I am 16 with 64 years experience. That is **ATTITUDE!**