

THE NEW TIMES

DECEMBER / JANUARY

*The parish magazine of Penrhos, Llantilio Crossenny,
Llanvetherine and Llanvapley*



“Yet the impossible message of Christmas remains the same, that God sent his Son in human form to forgive us the wrong in our lives and to give us an example of love.”

CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN OUR PARISHES

Christmas Eve

4.00 pm Llantilio Crossenny Crib service and Christingles
11.45 pm Llanvetherine Midnight Communion with Bishop Dominic

Christmas Day

9.30 am Penrhos Morning Prayer
11.00 am Llanvapley Holy Communion



CHRISTMAS FAIR

In aid of Breast and Prostate Cancer

At Cross Ash Hall

Friday 12th December

3pm- 5pm

FREE ENTRY

Stalls Include:-

Home made Embroidery

Sweet Treats

Baby Clothes

Home made Bracelets

Cake Stall

Face Painting

Photography

Forever Living Products

To Enter a Stall (£10) or for any other info:

Lauren Cooke: 07971607157



Village events

3 December Llanddewi Rhydderch Coffee Moring

10 December Llanvapley Coffee Morning

17 December Llantilio Coffee Morning at Warwicks

6 December & 3 January Warwicks Walk (Start from the pub at 11.00 am)

Dogs very welcome!

Appointment of our new priest

After a quiet period in the process of appointing a new priest to the Benefice, the Churchwardens asked to meet with Bishop Richard in St Teilo's, which he kindly agreed to at the end of October. He explained that the plan to appoint directly to a Ministry Area Leader had had to be revised and the plan now was to appoint a replacement non-stipendiary Priest in Charge. Someone well known to us had expressed an interest in returning to rural ministry and we met with the Bishop and the proposed priest again in Llantilio on 13 November. We are delighted to be able to announce that Heidi Prince will be returning to the Benefice after more than 8 years. During that time Heidi has expanded her portfolio, working mostly in Hospital Chaplaincy. The plan is that Heidi, Simon and Gwen will return to live in the Vicarage in Llantilio Crossenny, once the current renovation is done. A date has yet to be agreed but we look forward to welcoming Heidi back to the Benefice with plans to develop the Ministry with a supporting team.

Llanvapley News

Llanvapley Sports and Social Association are delighted to announce that repairs have been made to the play equipment which is located on the side of the cricket pitch. The LSSA is grateful to the Newgrove Farm Trust which provided £2000 towards the cost of the repairs.



On Saturday 31 October there was a concert of Baroque music in Llanvapley Church. Over 75 people attended the concert and they were impressed by the musical skills of all of the performers. Have you ever wondered what happens when a string on a violin breaks during a performance. If you were at the concert you will have seen Marc Elton coping with just such an eventuality in a very calm manner. The evening was a great success and thanks go to Penny Harding and Richard Sidwell who masterminded the event. One concert goer sent this message after the concert. "One of the most memorable evenings of the year. Loved it!"



Penrhos News

Congratulations to Yvonne and Colin Phillips on the birth of their Grandson. We wish Anne Biggs a speedy recovery.

Bell Ringing

The bells in Llantilio will be rung before the carol service and before the Christingle service on Christmas Eve.

WI News

The November meeting opened with discussions over the forthcoming Christmas dinner which is being held in January at The Beaufort in Raglan. A homemade produce sale is being held on Saturday 6th December between 10am - 1pm at the Countrywide shop near Raglan. Everyone was asked to make or bake items to sell to help raise funds for the group.

An interesting talk was given by the Blaenavon Cheese Company and afterwards we enjoyed some samples of the many different flavours of cheese and were able to purchase their favourites.

The next meeting is on Wednesday December 10th at 7pm at Llanvapley Pavilion. The evening is going to be Christmas themed with a Beetle Drive and carol singing. All new members are very welcome.

SERVICES IN DECEMBER / JANUARY

Sunday 7 December

9.30 Llanvetherine Morning Prayer
11.00 Llantilio Crossenny Holy Communion

Sunday 14 December

9.30 Penrhos Holy Communion
11.00 Llanvapley Carol Service

Sunday 21 December

11.00 Llantilio Crossenny Carol Service
6.00 Penrhos Carol Service at High House Barn
6.00 Llanvetherine Carol Service

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day - See front cover

Sunday 28 December

No services

Sunday 4 January

9.30 Llanvetherine
11.00 Llantilio Crossenny Holy Communion

Sunday 11 January

9.30 Penrhos
11.00 Llanvapley Morning Prayer

Sunday 18 January

9.30 Llanvetherine
11.00 Llantilio Crossenny Holy Communion

Sunday 25 January

9.30 Penrhos
11.00 Llanvapley Holy Communion

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