

September 2023

# THE PARISH TAP



## The monthly newsletter for the churches of Boughrood, Llandefalle, Llanstephan, Llyswen and Talachddu

You will find listed below all of the planned services for September. Unless otherwise stated all services start at 10.30am. The next edition of the Parish Tap is at the beginning of September so please get anything you'd like featured in it to me by 10am on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, by email to [judy.williams1944@gmail.com](mailto:judy.williams1944@gmail.com) (**no PDF files please**) or ring 01874 625140.

### Services Summer 2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Minister presiding</u>
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Boughrood	Holy Communion	Ven. Alan Jevons
" "	" " " "	10.30am	Llandefalle	Holy Communion	Rev Rowland Edwards
10 <sup>th</sup> September	14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Llyswen	Holy Communion	Rev Trina Lodge
" "	" " " "	<b>10.00am</b>	Talachddu	Holy Communion	Rev Rowland Edwards
17 <sup>th</sup> September	15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Boughrood	Matins	Richard Shackelford
" "	" " " "	10.30am	Llandefalle	Matins	Judy Williams
24 <sup>th</sup> September	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	10.30am	Llyswen	Matins	Catriona Charlesworth
" "	" " " "	10.30am	Talachddu	Matins	Richard Shackelford

### Llandefalle Flower Rota

September – Phyllis Evans

October – Mary Hopkins

**HARVEST FESTIVAL** Ladies of the Parish

### Strollers August Report



The forecast of exceptionally heavy rain and thunderstorms did not deter the dozen of us who set off, for a shorter than scheduled walk, from the Brecon Beacons Mountain Centre the first Wednesday in August. Although not our usual length of "hike", quite a few members of our party had never ventured on to Mynydd llyd before and really enjoyed the beautiful drive up, let alone the walk with spectacular views of rainstorms rolling in over Pen y Fan. Back to the Mountain Centre café just as the as the rain was really taking hold we enjoyed a very sociable coffee and an increasingly raucous natter round a large table in the dining area.

Next month's walk, 6<sup>th</sup> September, is scheduled to be round the Trevithal Cider Apple Orchards. Please meet at the Honey Café Car Park at 9.45 to share cars as there is limited parking at the farm. Also, prior to setting out, we will have a small collection of £1 per head for a gift for our host and a donation towards his Cancer Charity Fund Raiser. Thank you in advance.

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### A Letter From Llanstephan

Dear M,

Following miserable, wet and cooler days, anxious glances across the valley were unfounded as it turned out sunny and dry. We met as usual by the lych-gate and after the usual light hearted banter set about the task of tidying the churchyard.

Strimmers whirred and hissed amongst the grass and those with rakes and hooks followed. With helpers and advisers we were soon finished and congregating in front of the porch where Judith and Elaine had kindly, and most generously, catered for the hunger and thirst of the volunteers.

So there, whilst listening to the woes of the weather, the price of lambs and ducking the aerobatics of low flying swallows, we watched the sun dip over Llangoed Hill. A good job well done. EB.

### Felinfach Ladies' Friendly Society

Last month eight ladies had an enjoyable and informative visit to Weston's Cider Mill. After partaking of lunch in the restaurant we were taken, by our guide Louise, through the various areas of the plant where we learned how the cider is made, from the arrival of the apples and pears – all of which are grown within a 50 mile radius, through to the bottling floor where we could see the bottles travelling along a conveyor belt. We also got a glimpse of the orchards. Louise then took us back to the tasting room where we sampled many of the different varieties of cider and perry made by Weston's. Louise was extremely generous with the tasters! To conclude the visit each of us was given a bottle of Weston's Vintage Cider to take home.

The readings for Owen Thomas's new play have been postponed until November so unfortunately we won't be able to sit in on those this month. Instead we'll have a get together and a game of 'Mountain' in the Griffin on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm.



## Harvest at St Gwendoline's Llyswen

Our Harvest Celebration will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. Our preacher will be Archdeacon Alan Jevons. There will be a bring and share supper in the Church following the service. Everyone is very welcome.



## HAY Music

**Trio Kurtág - Juliette Roos - violin, Yume Fujise - viola, Eliza Millett - cello**

**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm (doors open 7.00pm). The Castle, Hay-on-Wye.** Selected and supported by the prestigious Countess of Munster Trust, this highly acclaimed young string trio will play works by Georges Enescu, Jean Francaix, Ernő Dohnányi and György Kurtág, plus Beethoven's great String Trio in C minor Op. 9 No. 3. The Castle, Hay-on-Wye, HR3 5DG. Tickets, details and pre-concert suppers at [www.haymusic.org](http://www.haymusic.org).

## Hay U3A

At the next meeting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am, micro-artist Graham Short will talk on "My Life as a Micro-Artist" and how he achieves such fascinating and fine precision art. He is the Royal Engraver so will have many interesting stories to tell of his work. Meet in the elegant Music Room at Baskerville Hall Hotel, Clyro, where there is plenty of free parking! Coffee from 10am and lunch from 12.15pm - please book on arrival.

Entrance is £5 for members and £7 for visitors, and new members are always welcome. Our Interest Groups which are held during the month are varied and thriving; come and join us!

For more information, see <https://u3asites.org.uk/hay/events>, email [u3ahay@gmail.com](mailto:u3ahay@gmail.com) or phone 01497 822523.

## You've Got to Laugh



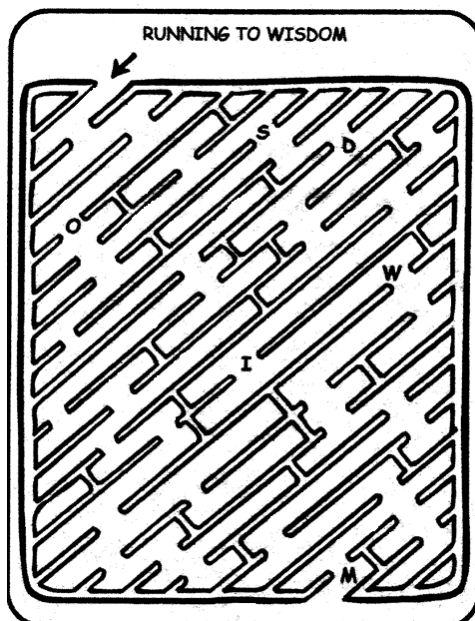
"Question: how can you tell the gender of an ant?"

Answer: put the ant in water and if it sinks it's a girl ant and if it floats it's a ....."

## Children's Corner

### FEAR OF THE LORD

"And he said to the man, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding." As you go through the maze, collect the letters and unscramble them.



How do you cut a beach in two?  
With a sea-saw!  
What does Cinderella wear at the beach?  
Glass flippers!

