



### Editorial

The cut off date for July Newsletter will be the 15<sup>th</sup> June. Contributions are welcomed – please put them in the box on shelf at back of church, or send to (especially Photos): [shirleybedraper@g.mail.com](mailto:shirleybedraper@g.mail.com).

Shirley says: our new computer is installed, and I am learning my way around it. Mark, my son-in-law has managed to get inside the old crashed one and retrieve all our files so I am feeling very lucky.

### Rev Stella Hayton

We are pleased to announce that Stella is expected to take up her duties in late July/early August.

### General Data Protection Regulations

Graham, our Secretary, is asking all members to fill in a form that they have signed giving permission. Your Elder has these forms. Shirley, Editor, also asks that should anyone not want their name mentioned in our Newsletter please let her know.

### Web Site

We are looking forward someone willing to upload the Newsletter on to St Johns web site. Would anyone volunteering please contact Graham.

### News of Members

Shirley had a great 14 days cruise of the Scottish Isles and went ashore at every island, something we didn't expect the weather to let us do!

June has fallen and hurt her arm, but is coming right now.

We are very proud of Carol Brinton-Thomas taking the service at Templeton URC on 13<sup>th</sup> May. Please add Carol to your prayers as she advances along the road of Lay Preaching. Carol had a great Painting holiday in Florence not France as was mentioned in last letter.

We welcomed for the 8<sup>th</sup> year, a month-long visit from Judy Keller who lives in Chicago. Her friend Sue also came to stay with her for a week. Judy is holding the table vase with the magnificent peony that Anne M. provided – one for each table.



Margaret Dixon is in Glangwili hospital for tests, and her husband Mike is in Withybush.

### Children's corner

June is the best month to go for night walks to see moths and bats.

If you are near a lake, pond or river watch out for demoiselles taking to the air as the emerge about mid June.

Go fishing for mackerel!

### Ramadan

There are many names for dusk and twilight – evenglome, dimmer, the gloaming, simmer dim in Scotland, the dimpsy in Devon, - and for Muslims dusk takes on a particular weight this month, as it the moment each day when they can break their Ramadan. Ramadan is the Muslim month of prayer and fasting and this year is from 16<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> June, beginning and ending at the sighting of the crescent moon. It involves fasting from dawn to sunset, so hungry people wait for the moment they can break their fast.



### Recipe of the month : Stuffed Pancakes

Makes 10 Pancakes.

This desert is never eaten outside of Ramadan and is sort of a Muslim equivalent of the mince pie.

Sugar Syrup :300g sugar, 150ml water 1 tsp orange-blossom water, juice of ½ lemon.

Walnut stuffing: 150g crushed walnuts, 1 tbsp caster sugar, ½ tsp cinnamon, 1 tbsp grated coconut.

Pancakes: 200g plain flour, 50g semolina, 1 heaped tsp cornflour, 1 tbsp caster sugar, pinch salt, ½ tsp instant yeast, 1 heaped tsp baking powder, 150ml full fat milk, 250ml warm water, 150g melted unsalted butter. First make syrup – put sugar, water, and orange blossom water in a pan and bring to the boil. Once water starts bubbling pour in lemon juice, reduce heat and simmer 5 min. Remove from heat.

Blend all the pancake ingredients except the melted butter together for 3min. The batter is ready when there are lots of bubbles on surface. In another bowl mix crushed walnuts, sugar, cinnamon, and coconut for the stuffing.,

Brush non-stick pan with some of the melted butter and heat until the surface is very hot, turn down to medium heat. Pour a full ladle into the pan and the pancake should start forming bubbles on the surface. As soon as the surface has dried, take the pan cake out and place on a plate, repeat until all batter is used. While pancakes still warm, stuff each with a teaspoon of stuffing, then close the round pancake disc into a half circle by pinching and pressing the two sides. Brush all over with melted butter then grill until both sides are golden brown and crisp. Pour the cooled syrup over the pancakes and serve immediately.

### Christian Chuckles

A bus stop was sited close to a church sign on which was boldly painted: “Where will you be on judgement day?” Underneath someone had written: “Still waiting for a number 125 bus.”

It was once suggested that the PO should frank the Christmas mail with an appropriate text from the Bible. One light-hearted sorter suggested that they should put “The Lord Deliver Us”.

### Pentecost Service 20<sup>th</sup> May

Mr Lewis Lewis-Head, Nanette’s son, took the service and joined in the lovely lunch provided by everybody in the hall afterwards. Eluned Brown was one of the folk who enjoyed a chat to him during the lunch.



Members enjoying the faith lunch.



### The Church Mouse says

Life is so short we must move slowly.

### Humorous Church Notices

Notice in kitchen of a church hall

“Ladies: when you have emptied the teapot please stand upside down in the sink”



To which has now been added: "No hot bottoms on the formica".

And what about this one .....

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery on Fridays.

And this one:

On Wednesday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get!

Ron, St Johns Choir Leader, will probably say "It's true!" and expect a big turnout next Wednesday's practice!!!!

### Dear Friends,

Thank you all very much for the lovely flowers you gave me for my recent birthday. They looked good in my hall! Also thanks to the members who sent me cards. I had 50 and they are still up in my sitting room. Very best wishes. Eluned

### Templeton URC

Events happening:-

22 to 24<sup>th</sup> Flower Festival

24<sup>th</sup> June 6pm Flower Festival Concert

29<sup>th</sup> July 6pm 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service taken by Rev. Martin Spain

16<sup>th</sup> September 6pm Songs of Praise taken by Rev. Huw George.

All are invited to attend these occasions.

### Royal Wedding 19<sup>th</sup> May

St Johns was used on this day for a wedding, alas not the royal one, but we give our best wishes to Sandra Storer, Shelia Noots' daughter, who married Malcolm Harries at 3pm that day. The wedding flowers were left in the church for all at the Sunday service following to enjoy.

### Dates for your Diary.

Don't forget to come and see Ron Hurlow's History Exhibition. It is being opened by the Mayor of Tenby on 25<sup>th</sup> May at 10am and the

church will be open for all to come and see it until Wednesday after.

Rev. Kevin Watson, Moderator of General Assembly is preaching on 17<sup>th</sup> June. The Pembroke Male Voice Choir are performing on 12<sup>th</sup>, Bella Voce on 26<sup>th</sup> and Quaynotes on 26<sup>th</sup>. Please tell all your friends and come.

### Faith Lunch

In the kitchen clearing up at the end of the lunch Anne Maggs could not resist the last piece of the Cream Rolade made by Ieuan. With great laughter all the lady helpers requested a photo for the Newsletter!



### Prayer of thanks

Lord God,

Thank you for all your blessings:

for life and health, for laughter and fun,  
for all our powers of mind and body,  
for our homes and the love of dear ones,  
for everything that is beautiful, good and true.

Above all we thank you for giving your Son to be our Saviour and Friends.

May we always find our true happiness in obeying you, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen

### A Welsh Joke for those going on holidays

Dai and Gladys were checking in at Cardiff Airport. It was their first trip abroad and seeing Gladys looked worried, Dai asked her if everything was all right. "Oh Dai, I wish I'd brought the piano." "Good grief, girl!" exclaimed Dai. "What do you want the piano for?" "That's where I left the passports."