

Bro Arwystli Easter Vestry 24th April 2023
Chair's Report

2022

During last year we saw services return to almost normal, with three churches having services every Sunday and the rest having on average, two a month.

Our services included Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Maunday Thursday, Holy Saturday, Easter Day, harvests, Remembrance, services of light, sung eucharist, crib and carol services.

2022 also saw Songs of Praise services to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, and then later in the year, Thanksgiving services to celebrate her life, well lived in the service of our nation.

Ecumenical worship continued in Caersws, Llanwnnog, Llandinam and Llanidloes, and we also joined together for Lent lunches and for lent courses, and for fundraising for Christian Aid.

My grateful thanks go our retired clerics who help to lead services in the area, and also our licensed readers and preacher.

There were a number of Baptisms, weddings, renewal of wedding vows and funerals throughout the year, and my thanks go the vergers who come along on those occasions to give their help and support, especially when the services are not on Sunday mornings.

Mission -

We continued with our thought for the day on both Facebook and Youtube – my thanks go to all of the contributors. It really is amazing at the comments we receive both online and in person, it is a ministry which gives many people comfort and hope.

Last year the Sanctuary group, along with Rev Jon started an outreach service called “Rock Solid” in Llanidloes, which takes place once a month and this has attracted a number of people who do not worship regularly in any of our churches.

Work with children and young people continued with two after school clubs and a youth club, headed by Julia and Debbie. Messy Churches were also held in Llanidloes and Trefeglwys.

Debbie was made chaplain for the High School, which sees her visiting the school each week to chat with both pupils and teachers.

Llanidloes Primary School and classes from the high school visited St Idloes church to see inside the church and to learn about some of the

things that are used in it. They asked questions, drew pictures and sang songs.

Trefeglwys and Llandinam Schools held services in their respective churches for harvest and for Christmas. Caersws school joined with their community for a carol service.

In September, Archbishop Andy joined us for a united Confirmation service in Llangurig, which was very well attended. It was a wonderful occasion as two candidates were confirmed.

Fund-raising got well underway with coffee mornings, beetle drives and quiz nights, a mid-summer concert, stalls at village shows, history talks and the selling of bacon baps!

Porches have been decorated and Trefeglwys used a gazebo to display the Gospel message at Easter and Christmas time.

The Riding Lights Theatre Company visited Llanidloes with a whistle stop tour of the Bible, and we were also entertained by The Teme Choir. At Christmas the light show – Splinters of Heaven made a welcome return.

Trefeglwys church put on a display on Boot and Bonnets, and the weekend ended with a songs of praise service.

Following on from a Church in Wales initiative to address the hidden crisis of hygiene poverty, Carno church donated 12 boxes of toiletries and hygiene products to the Montgomery Family Crisis Centre in Newtown, and Llanidloes church has a basket of hygiene products in one of their toilets!

We sadly lost a number of faithful church members last year and we also said goodbye to Rev Jon and his family, as they moved to a new area and a new ministry in Chorley, we wished them all well on their new adventure.

My grateful thanks go to everyone for helping to look after our church buildings and graveyards, especially the wardens, and for giving such a warm welcome to everyone who attends services in our area.

I am also most grateful to our retired clerics, without whom we would not be able to hold the numbers and types of services that we do in this area, we are truly blessed by them all.

My last thanks, though not the least, go to the ministry team, who continue to plan and discuss all manner of things to do with the ministry of God in this area.

I pray that we are all able to continue with our fund-raising, our fellowship and spreading the good news of Jesus in different ways. Long may it continue.

Thank you!

ANNUAL PARISH FINANCIAL RETURNS 2022

Diocese Bangor

Parish of Bro Arwystli

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Income/Receipts

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total of All Funds Dec-22	Total All Funds 2021
Donations & Legacies	Planned giving	34,235.00		34,235.00	38,990.00
	Loose Collections	14,032.00		14,032.00	8,870.00
	Donations	4,737.00		4,737.00	8,330.00
	For Mission	3,096.00		3,096.00	434.00
	Tax Claims Gift Aid	8,051.00		8,051.00	11,815.00
	Tax Claims GASD				
	Legacy gifts	40.00		40.00	40.00
	Grants				150.00
Charitable Activities	Fees	7,966.00	2,077.00	10,043.00	2,039.00
Other Trading Activities	Money Raising	9,038.00		9,038.00	3,718.00
Investment		2,286.00	2,243.00	4,529.00	3,618.00
Other		15,875.00	18,344.00	34,219.00	1,184.00
Total Incoming Resources/Receipts		99,356.00	22,664.00	122,020.00	79,188.00

EXPENDITURE/PAYMENTS

Charitable Activities

Support for Ministry	Parish Share	54,789.00		54,789.00	57043
	Parochial Expenses of Clerics	4,374.00		4,374.00	9224
	Other	164.00		164.00	
Parish Activities	Maintenance of Services	259.00		259.00	504
	General Parish Expenses	20,096.00	30.00	20,126.00	5063
Church Property	Maintenance of Churches	25,997.00	1,250.00	27,247.00	12062
	Maintenance of Other Property	520.00		520.00	3886
	Exceptional Expenditure	4,932.00	37,229.00	42,161.00	2575
Mission & Grants	Parish	95.00		95.00	3084
	Home/World	1,466.00		1,466.00	239
Other	Capital Payments	2,167.00		2,167.00	8000
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