

NEWS FROM UGANDA

The Vicar Reports

In 2004 Christina McFarlane, Rev Nicholas Taylor and I went to Uganda to begin the building of a secondary school for girls in partnership with the local church. We were also told of another long term vision that the Padoch Community had, and that was to build a new church.

Way back then, we were part of a big ceremony where I was given the honoured responsibility of laying the foundation stone for the new church, even though they knew our project was the building of the school which had to be the focus for the whole community for the next 5-7 years.

A couple of years ago, after the school was well established with laboratory, classrooms and a dormitory, we were able to send £500 toward the cost of foundation work on the church.



Today I received this photo showing how the building is slowly taking shape and long term visions are gradually being realised.

It is a great testimony of faith to us all. At the moment I have £250 waiting to be sent to support this project and would like to raise this to £500 if our own church and community could support the appeal with donations or fund raising events.

Please consider giving to this project as we approach the season of Lent which is a time of giving and fasting. Furthermore, see the determination and faith in this story, a building beginning at last to take shape so many years after the initial foundation stone was laid, and let it be for all of us an encouragement as we continue to work toward our own hopes and dreams, as a church, as a community and as individuals.

Edd. _ At least we know this will go directly to the project without any admin deductions

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The Parish of Trellech and Penallt

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**The Lord makes His unfailing love shine forth
alike by day and night; His praise on my lips is a
prayer to the God of my life.**

Psa.42 v8 NEB

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Mothering Sunday, 6th March

Mother's Day is traditionally a day to visit your mother church. It is now a day to honour mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers and mothers-in-law. Our mothering service will be in Old Church this year.

SERVICES IN FEBRUARY 2016

Sun. 7th Feb		Sunday Before Lent
09.30	St Nicholas Trellech	Matins
11.00	Old Church Penallt	Holy Eucharist with healing
Wed 9th Feb	Ash Wednesday	Start of Lent
11.00	St Nicholas Trellech	Parish Eucharist with Ashing
Sun. 14th Feb		1st Sunday of Lent
09.30.	Old Church Penallt	BCP said Eucharist
11.00.	St Nicholas Trellech	Family Service
Sun. 21st Feb		2nd Sunday of Lent
09.30.	Old Church Penallt	Holy Eucharist
11.00.	St Nicholas Trellech	Holy Eucharist
Sun. 28th Feb		3rd Sunday of Lent
09.30.	Old Church Penallt	Said Eucharist
11.00.	St Nicholas Trellech	Said Eucharist
Sun. 6th Mar	Mothering Sunday	4th Sunday of Lent
09.30	St Nicholas Trellech	Matins
11.00	Old Church Penallt	Family Communion
11am Every Wednesday	St Nicholas	Parish Said Eucharist

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15th December John Richards RIP
 10th December interment of ashes Marian Dutson
 3rd January James Barnes RIP - formerly of this parish
 8th January Helen Scourse RIP
 16th January Hilary Morgan RIP wife of Archbishop Barry Morgan

THOSE WHOM GOD HATH JOINED TOGETHER

19th December Hannah Brooks and James Wilden

PREVIOUS MONTHS

December Promise Auction was a great success raising over £3000. shared between the church , surgery and women's refuge
 A good time was had in the Catbrook Hall by all who attended

February Diary

Sunday 24 Jan 1pm Bring & Share Unity Lunch with Churches Together in Monmouth in St Nicholas Church

Tuesday 9 7.30pm Pancake & Quiz Evening in St Nicholas Church Licenced bar & refreshments including pancakes; come on your own to make up a team or bring a team. Friends of Trellech Church.

House Groups –

Alternate Mondays 10.30am at various venues: phone Kay 01600 869594

Every Wednesday 2 - 3.30pm 13 Roman Way, Trellech looking at St John's Gospel: phone Dick 01600 860100 -

PCC NEWS – Old Church - Faculty has been granted and work will begin in February on a new heating system, and we will try not to disturb regular services, but it is a tight schedule to comply with SSI and the needs of the resident bats!

Permission is granted to repair the lychgate and should start soon.

A tender to rebuild the boundary walls was accepted but rain has delayed it. Tenders for churchyard maintenance was invited from interested companies for 2016. We hope to confirm this quickly

PCC NEWS – St Nicholas. - Delivery of new notice boards is awaited for the churchyard. It was hoped to complete this in 2015 but we decided to replace all of the notice boards in the graveyard as all were passed their sell by date!.

Friends of Trellech Church are busy raising funds through their quiz nights etc, and are looking at the possibility of assisting in the wall repairs and the erecting of the signs.

Once the work at the Old Church is in hand, we shall revisit the needs of St Nicholas Church.

Many thanks to all who help to keep our churches clean and inviting.