# **Christ Church News APRIL 2021**

## HAPPY EASTER

## There's HOPE for us after lockdown

### LENT READING LEADS TO EASTER HOPE

If you have been following our Vicar's excellent Lent book Opening our Lives you will now have reached Easter Sunday which is entitled "The power of hope".



TRYSTAN OWAIN HUGHES

To quote from his book he says that "The resurrection carries a message that can turn the world upside down and inside out—a message about faith, love and, most of all, HOPE."

He goes on to conclude that "Hope is to be found in letting go of the things we think are important to us, looking at the empty cross and then being inspired by that hope to live out his kingdom of love, peace and compassion in our everyday lives."

### An Easter Prayer from Trystan

Pray that opening ourselves to God's kingdom helps us to share the hope, resurrection and new life of Easter with others. Ask God to bring light into the darkness that peo-

ple face, hope into the hopelessness that many feel and joy into the temptation to be cynical or grow weary. Amen

Happy Easter to you all

from Rev Trystan

This time last year the church was closed just before Easter and we thought this would be temporary. As you all know this has gone on in one way or another for a whole year. Let's thank God that we are now starting to open again. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Veronica Moverley Inside you will see a beautiful article written by Veronica who, by the time you read this will have celebrated her 99th Birthday.

**Generosity** There is also a big thank you inside from Ghana for your generosity to the orphaned baby, orphaned through Covid-19

The New Community Hall There is an initiative to raise money for our new community hall each time we take a walk, full details inside.

The Bernard Sunley Foundation have given us £15,000 for our community hall fund. We are thrilled and thank them for their generous gift. We want to thank Neil and Carol Webb for their patience and diligence and for putting in another successful bid

Part of our car park is now up for sale by sealed bids above £230,000 through Rawlins and Madley, Estate Agents. Please pray for a good outcome which will enable us to go ahead and build our new community hall.

Linda Alexander, Editor

### CONGRATULATIONS TO SUE HURRELL

She has just been recommended for training to the priesthood from September 2021. We wish Sue every blessing as she ventures into new pas-

tures. We will miss her hugely. More next month

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### Congratulations to Veronica on her 99th birthday on March 30th

Veronica is one of the "youngest", most vibrant members of our church. We are all thrilled to wish her **Happy Birthday** and look forward to catching up with her soon as the church re-opens. Veronica has contributed many articles to this magazine over the years and also to Credo. She has written the article below and we wish her every blessing as she blesses so many.





### If you go to Roath Park Lake and, as the Vicar said "if you stopped and stared" you would be amazed at the pictures.

My daughter and I were fortunate enough to see a HERON perched on one of the islands near the Wild Gardens. The same day we saw him flying over our



heads - what a wide wing span! The same day we spotted a WREN - so small. Another day we saw a KINGFISHER, a beautiful bird - full of colour.

These creatures are literally on our doorstep, if only we "**Take the time to look and see**".

Something else that deeply moves me is a Welsh Male Voice choir.

I count my blessings that I live in the GWLAD Y GAN (or Canu) hearing the birds and choirs. Veronica Moverley

Is this the secret of longevity? Ed



## **Walk the Walk Fund Raising**

We want to share with you our exciting new initiative to help with fundraising for our new hall building. With Spring arriving and better weather on its way, we will soon be enjoying more opportunities for outdoor exercise. Plans for our new community hall are coming together and we need to start our fundraising in earnest to bring those plans to life.

Our new initiative, entitled Walk the Walk, asks you to consider donating £1 each time you take your choice of exercise, whether that be a stroll around the lake, popping out for a newspaper or delivering groceries to a house bound neighbour. It's that simple.

All our best endeavours will help ensure that, when the pandemic restrictions are behind us, we will have contributed to the building of a great new space where we can meet up again.

Lynn Du Feu

### Claire's Produce Corner

Claire Edwards is still producing preserves and plants for sale in aid of our new church hall fund.....Preserves - Seville marmalade, blackcurrant etc. still available plus rhubarb to order with tomato plants later in April Claire 029 20756493 Claire's preserves and plants are amazing..... Don't miss out!



### A plea from Ghana

The following heartfelt plea was mentioned in one of our zoom spiritual communion meetings. **Your response has been tremendous.** You have all given most generously to help the baby and other babies too. THIS IS WHAT WAS READ OUT IN THE MEETING AT CHRIST CHURCH

#### Dear Mama Norma Ash.

This report is coming from your son the Rev. Canon Jeremiah Aladago for your studies and prayers for me here, the sad news is that the covid 19 pandemic has increase the number of deaths daily and a young lady 19 years old died after giving birth to a baby boy leaving him in the hands of his old grandmother, which is a sad event in my parish. She gave birth and died after 3 hours. I know you have no money this time to support, but we need your prayers to that we can get a good Samaritan to support this innocent little boy to survive.

Thank you. My God richly Bless you, your son Jeremiah Aladago

Mama Norma Ash, who is a member of our church, has been to Ghana many times and knows Canon Jeremiah well, that is why he calls her Mama. You have all been the answer to her prayers for a good **Samaritan..** Some of the money you gave has already been sent so

support the baby and other babies orphaned by Covid-19. The rest will be sent later. Jeremiah has given us a list of how it's been spent up to date. We hope to continue to support the Parish of St John's in Tamale, Ghana. It's not too late to contribute, just ring Val and she will make sure the money gets there safely. Val's number is 07587007508

### Here below is the THANK YOU note from Ghana

#### Dear Mama Norma Ash

On behalf of the orphans mothers and on my own behalf I wish to express my sincere thanks to Val Jones and the good members of Christ Church Cardiff. Ghana government has come out with the new budget for 2021 business and very soon prices of all commodities will rise up. So we have decided to use the money for only babe feeding food, baby bedding, pampers and medicine.

#### The name of the child is Godson Awinpiini-means God gift STATEMENT OF THE FUND

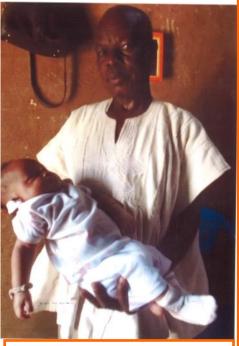
Amount received	=GH¢2,469.00
Cost of one tin of milk-unit price	= GH¢5.00
40Tins of milk powder	= GH¢2,000.00
100 bundle of pampers	= GH¢200.00
1 bed and bed sheets	= GH¢150.00
Medical care	= <u>GH¢119.00</u>
Total	2.469.00

The items will benefits orphan's through the care of their grandmothers. I believe you will continue to keep them in your prayers.

May the almighty God bless you abundantly. Thank you.

Yours friends in Christ

Rev. Canon Jeremiah Aladago



Canon Jeremiah with baby Godson



Baby Godson Awinpiini and Grandmother

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We wish you, and all those you love, a very Happy Easter. We know that this pandemic has caused so much pain and worry and we want you to know that we are praying for you all.

If you have a particular prayer request please phone us on 07587 007508 You can also email us at info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk or pop your request into the letterbox on our church door

FROM EASTER SUNDAY THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR SERVICES BY APPOINTMENT AS WE HAVE A RESTRICTED NUMBER OF PLACES. If you wish to attend an advertised service please email info@christchurchcardiff.co.uk with your name and telephone number.

THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE.

THERE IS A PODCHURCH SERVICE EACH WEEK. This is open to anyone and the link can be found on facebook or just follow this link www.soundcloud.com/christchurchcardiff

WE ARE CONTINUING TO OFFER A SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION ON ZOOM WHICH STARTS EACH SUNDAY AT 11.15am as well as Easter Sunday

THERE IS ALSO ZOOM INTO THE BIBLE AT 7.00pm EACH SUN-DAY EVENING.



HE WHO BELIEVES IN ME, THOUGH HE MAY DIE, HE SHALL LIVE. AND WHOEVER LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME SHALL NEVER DIE

Job 1 11:25-26

PLEASE EMAIL TRYSTAN, OUR VICAR IF YOU WANT TO JOIN AN ON LINE ZOOM SERVICE OR BIBLE STUDY Trystan.Hughes@stpadarns.ac.uk