

As we read the information on WW1 and the accounts of individuals we remember the physical and mental courage of those who went to war. Let our acts of remembrance serve to strengthen our resolve to search for peace.

“God our Father, your Son Jesus gave up His life to free us from the power of sin and death.

He showed us that the greatest love is in giving up one’s life for others.

May your Holy Spirit give us courage to resist evil in all its forms.

Show us how to be peacemakers through prayer and action, lest we forget those who fought, suffered and died that we might have the freedom and peace we enjoy today.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord”.

Amen.

Members of the Outreach Team would like to thank the very many people who have loaned display items and those who have offered support in any way. In particular, we would like to thank Philip Thomas, Thornhill Primary School, Church Open Stewards and Fr. Michael Witcombe.

For information the vital repair work to our church roof is being undertaken with the support of grants from the Heritage Lottery Funding Programme, Garfield Weston, All Churches Trust and Welsh Churches Act.

Collection tins will be available for donations in aid of Help for Heroes and the Royal British Legion.

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Important dates

11.00am Wednesday
7th November at St. Isan’s Church

Thornhill Primary School will be performing their National Lottery Award winning “Armistice Cantata”

10.30am Sunday
November 11th at St. Isan’s Church
Please join us for our Remembrance Sunday service

We would greatly appreciate any feedback or comments you may have on this exhibition.

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Remembrance 100

Commemorative Exhibition 2018

**St. Isan’s Parish Church
Llanishen.**



1.

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the ending of World War 1 [WW1] we have put together an exhibition of information and artefacts in honour of those who gave service or the supreme sacrifice of life in WW1. Following the surrender of Germany, a truce was declared at the 11th hour, on the 11th day of the 11th month 1918. The formal details were signed off at the Treaty of Versailles in June 1919.

Britain had entered the war on August 4th 1914 when Germany attacked Belgium which was a neutral country. The war became a global conflict extending not only throughout Europe and the Middle East but also involving countries throughout the world as the empires of the time called on men from their colonies. Therefore, soldiers of the British Empire were involved e.g. men from Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

This was the first war where traditional forms of warfare were replaced by much improved and new weaponry technology which included tanks, chemicals and aeroplanes.

It was a brutal war with millions of casualties. The affect was great and felt not only by those fighting but by civilians in the home countries. It was a war that affected everyone.

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In 1916 all able-bodied men between the ages of 18 and 41 were called up. In 1917 food was rationed and bomber planes bombed London.

With so many men away at war women were called upon to replace them in the workforce. This was a factor in their fight for gender equality and contributed to women over the age of 30 being given the right to vote in 1919.

The exhibition provides first-hand accounts of life in the trenches taken from original letters, facts and figures, family memories, information on some of the major battles and miscellaneous items and artefacts.

An important part of the exhibition focusses on the men of Llanishen who lost their lives, and who are recorded on our memorial plaques and /or are buried in the churchyard. In this we have been particularly fortunate to have access to the notes and research undertaken by Mr Philip Thomas.

Likewise, we are grateful to other individuals who have loaned the many artefacts and items on display and to all those who have helped in any way.

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As you wander around the church you will see the items on display but don't forget the windows many of which commemorate individuals killed in action.

Also, don't miss the inscription on the screen between the north aisle and the choir vestry which was erected as a thanks giving for the safe return of a soldier son.

Displays

- Information on the soldiers recorded on the memorial plaques and /or who are buried in the churchyard.
- Several stained -glass windows remembering those who were killed in WW1
- Information on major battles.
- War facts and figures.
- Lloyd and Vera's War.
- Harry's War.
- Tributes to individuals.
- A poppy display by children attending Messy Church
- Several table- displays of miscellaneous items e.g. trench art, medals, a helmet and commemorative items etc.

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