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# Spring Newsletter April



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## Introducing myself: Y Parchedia/ The Rev'd Lynette D Norman

Some of you know me, some of you will know of me and some of you will have no idea who I am. Well, I am the new Priest Guardian and Director of the Centre. I have been working here for a few weeks now since my induction at St Cynog's Church, Llangynog. I am living temporarily at the vicarage at Llanrhaeadr ym Mochnant until the renovation work is completed here at Maes y Llan. The work on the house has been quite inhibitive on the work of the centre but I am pleased to say that we are "open for business" once again.

I have an association with this beautiful holy place in that I was a volunteer here in the days of the Rev'd Evelyn Davies and a great deal of my healing to wholeness took place here. I am trying to develop a rhythm of prayer in this beautiful valley and so the church bell is rung before each of the three services every weekday. So do drop in for a chat, come to a quiet day, bring a group or just come and enjoy the tranquility of this beautiful valley.

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## Previously -

I was the Rector of Llanrwst, Llanddaged and Capel Garmon having served my curacy in nearby Welshpool. My husband is a retired policeman and we have three children and three grandchildren, a dog and two cats and cannot wait to move into this peaceful haven to live.

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## Now-

Feel free to drop in for a chat, book a place on our programme, book a group in for a day or afternoon or just come here for the peace and quiet from the busy world you live in.

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## **Welcome to the new Priest Guardian from The Ven John B Thellwell, Archdeacon of Montgomery.**

It is my privilege to welcome the new Priest Guardian, The Revd Lynette Norman not just to beautiful Pennant Melangell but also back into the Archdeaconry of Montgomery. When I moved to Montgomeryshire 9 years ago Lynette was Curate of Welshpool. Following her curacy she became Rector of Llanrwst, remaining in the diocese of St Asaph.

My first impressions of Lynette were of a very friendly and energetic priest. I later realised that she was also a deeply spiritual person who allowed God's spirit to fill her and guide her ministry. As Priest Guardian Lynette will affirm the importance of a rhythm prayer in daily life, the centrality of the Eucharist in worship and a welcome and hospitality that are vital in the Christian community.

One of the Melangell Trustees has likened the Melangell Shrine to a 'spiritual wellspring'. I am confident that it will develop into a deeper 'wellspring' under Lynette's leadership and ministry, feeding us all on our spiritual journey.

Lynette is in office at present but because the Diocese of St Asaph is modernising the priest's house she and her husband, David, are living in Llanrhaeadr Vicarage until June. Lynette will be licensed as Priest Guardian by the Bishop of St Asaph on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.