Llanarmon-yn-Ial

On a fine cold afternoon in January 2015 Peter and myself went prospecting for Gold that we had found on one of our map dowsing in this area of North Wales.
We set off for Llanarmon-yn-Ial and we turned off the main road up the hills above to the area named Llanbeder-Dyffryn-Clwyd at the intersection of the Offa's Dyke footpath.
We parked the car and we followed a footpath up the side of the mountain until we had a hit with our dowsing rods. The location matched our map dowsing but we could not find any traces of gold visible to our eyes.
The ground had been cut away by the forestry Commission to make a road over the mountain so as to plant trees. The ground had been disturbed and we could only find fragments of gold that had been thrown down the side of the hill.
There could be gold in this location but it would take a lot of digging to unearth a small quantity and we did not think it would be worth the effort. We had a good walk and a chat to one of the local men.
On the way home we called to see St Garmon's Church at Llanarmon-yn-Ial. This Church is very old with a round Church wall going all around the Grave yard, probably dating to the twelfth century. The Church has two very interesting Knights laid out there, with one of them dating back to the Crusades as he has his sword held on his chest and he could have been brought to this Church from Valle Cruses Abbey, the second knight was the Channeller of England in his days.
We will have to come back to see this Church again with the team to see if we can find more evidence and to date this Church and the ground back to its conception.

I took Peter home and we agreed that we should come back later in the year.

Narrated by Trefor Bellis