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Rector's Notes – DECEMBER 2019

I'm writing this in mid November, but the first mince pies available in the shops are already reaching their use-by dates, and John Lewis have released their Sharing God's welcome; growing disciples

REDRUTH

Christmas advert, so whatever we might say about Advent, the run up to Christmas for most people has properly begun.

A friend put on her social media post yesterday that she has just had a run-in over a popular abbreviation she used for the season – namely Xmas. I wonder how you react to that word? I know I used to think it utterly disrespectful, and to be avoided at all costs for true believers.

Until I discovered this: the Greek word for Christ is Christós, which in Greek letters is spelt Χριστός. You'll notice the first Greek letter looks suspiciously like an X! It's really the Greek letter CHI (pronounced KI). And for centuries the abbreviation Xmas has been a very respectful abbreviation for Christmas. Though it is pronounced not EX-MAS, but rather KI-MAS.

I mention this not so much so you can frustrate your atheist friends by undermining their attempts to take the Christ out of Christmas (though I have to admit it's quite fun to do that!). More than that I find the idea that we can find Christ even in some people's Xmas a delightful metaphor for God's utterly surprising incarnation in Jesus.

Because of the incarnation that we particularly anticipate during Advent and celebrate at Christmas, Jesus is present everywhere – in all things, in all places, in every situation. Even when he is unnoticed. As Bishop Philip North said in an article I've just been reading, the task of the evangelist – the teller of the good news – is not so much to try to summarise a simple message into something like 'Jesus was born so he could die for our sins', which though I believe it, is only a part of the picture. The task of the evangelist is to show that Jesus is already present, so that people who don't yet know him can begin a conscious relationship with the one who made them, and longs to draw them home to himself.

Sometimes we might find Jesus in what we think are really unlikely places. Like in a stable for instance, born to an unmarried teenage mother, carried by his parents as a refugee for safety from a brutal regime, facing stigma throughout his life because of his parentage. Jesus today is still to be found in some of the places we least expect him to be. Even in the X of Xmas.

With my prayers & best wishes for a peaceful Advent and a happy Christmas Caspar Bush (Team Rector)



Because Early Christians Useð Greek Abbreviations!

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ST ANDREW REDRUTH, REMEMBERS AND REDEDICATES A Special St Andrew Remembrance Day



The Redruth Remembrance of those who lost their lives in conflict was again observed by representatives of many organisations and a large crowd at Victoria Park on November 10th followed by a service in church. The parade was led by Redruth Town band and our serving team to which Ashton was welcomed as a new member. What made this year's event special was the rededication by Revd Caspar of our war memorial looking out onto Clinton Road. The memorial was first unveiled and dedicated by the Rector Revd HW Sedgwick on July 17th 1919 and is believed to be the first Cornish

memorial after the war.

The restoration was carried out by Talan Bellman and JF Hayward from Hayle who was responsible for repairing the crucifix which involved it travelling about the UK to be worked on by various experts arriving back in Cornwall just in time for the dedication.

Thanks to Redruth Town Council

for their grant towards the costs and very generous donations from the congregation and church visitors.



ST ANDREW REDRUTH

Two very different shows

"It's time to play the music, it's time to light the lights, it's time to meet the Randoms at the Cabaret tonight. It's time to put on makeup, it's time to dress up right, it's time to raise the curtain on the Randoms' show tonight!" Borrowing liberally from the theme from *The Muppet Show* is a great way to turn the spotlight on our very own group of musical misfits, the St Andrew's Randoms! Inspirationally led by Redruth's Kermit, Lez Seth, and with incredible (and somewhat last-minute) piano accompaniment from Cornwall Funeral Services' answer to Rowlf the Dog, Scott Watters, the Randoms invited us to a late night cabaret bar and took us on a journey through a variety of musical stylings. Dave and Mary Pink sang of how they 'got' each other, Fran Thurston gave some excellent advice on starting relationships without the use of firearms, Hilary Meyers told us how she loves to laugh but can't say 'no', while newcomer Jason Hoole-Jackson rocked us with Queen, serenaded Redruth with a Pogues classic and even yodelled his way out of prison! The Randoms were bolstered with other new talent this year with Trish Knights and Maggie Harris singing their hearts out and joining in the fun. Other performances on the night came from the exceptionally talented DSBeenies, Caspar Bush and his Gnu, James Thurston and Jim Seth – the latter providing a jolly old herring, much musical accompaniment and an intense and gripping tale which left a cliffhanger between each section of the show. As always the show was enjoyed and supported by a wonderful audience who purchased tickets, munched snacks, drank beverages, bought raffle tickets and sang along throughout. A wonderful evening was had by all and £628 was raised for church funds in the process.

On the evening of 10th November, we hosted a Remembrance Concert with Redruth Town Band and a selection of stars from RAMPS. These two entertainment stalwarts of our community created an uplifting and moving atmosphere with their musical selections. The evening included readings from Tamsin Spargo and Redruth Mayor Deb Reeve around the theme of remembrance and also featured a period of reflection from Dhiworth-an-Gollon. The evening concluded with an act of remembrance and a blessing.

While both events were very different they were alike in that they bought the community together through music.

James Thurston

ST EUNY

Way back in February 2017, I 'threw our hat in the ring' to the Co-op Local Community Fund through their 'Apply to be a Local Cause' application scheme. Much to my surprise St Euny Church was one of three chosen local charities and during our fundraising period for the Public Access Defibrillator, we were awarded an interim payment in April of this year from them of £171.53, which helped us along our way. Imagine our total surprise to learn that as part of the Co-op national pay-out in November 2019, from their members, of £17m in total, we are to receive a further £1,342.88! This will be invaluable as part of our community work at Open Cafe, Open Church to be held again in the summer of 2020 and towards a new defibrillator battery costing in the region of £400+ when it is due.

For interested parties, this is how it works – **Co-op Membership** – Much of the money they raise comes from Co-op members and it's Co-op members who decide which causes they support. So get your supporters to become members and start earning rewards for yourselves and your community. **Promote your Cause** – Members can choose which cause their own 1% goes to – so the more members that pick your project the more money you'll get. Go online for further details.

To be honest, I'm still flummoxed how we've managed to get so much support, but thank you to anyone who has helped our scheme. It has been a very humbling experience.

On Sunday, 27 October, we were pleased to host a Remembering Service led by our Rector, Revd Caspar Bush and Assistant Curate, Revd Graham Adamson, for those who had lost loved ones throughout the year, and for those still grieving after the pain of their loss several years on. There is no time limit on grief and we were pleased to 'hold' those there in our thoughts, prayers and hearts.

Our Remembrance Sunday Service this year was led by Revd Margaret Saville and the service had an earlier start time of 10.50am to allow for the 2 minute silence at 11am. Last Post and Reveille were played for us again by Bernard Pearce, to whom we owe our grateful thanks. Margaret's message was very poignant about love and not hate and we are grateful to her for her being with us on this special day.

Margaret Johnson

On 16 November at St Euny Church, we held a Messy Church Leader's Day led by the S.W. Co-ordinator for Messy Church, Mary Judkins. She chose St Euny Church as she felt it was a fairly central point in the county. It was an interesting day brimming with ideas but apparently it takes around ten people to run one of these days, so not an easy decision to decide to run a Messy Church. Although not well attended, people left with positive feelings. *Lucie Rogers*



We wish all our readers and supporters a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

NEWS from 'Flapjack'

St. Andrew's Church Pencoys with Four Lanes United Methodist Church working, worshipping and praying together as 'One in Christ'

You are most welcome to visit the church, open daily, usually from 10 am to 5 pm

On Remembrance Sunday, 10th November, a large crowd met at the village Centenary Memorial for a short Act of Remembrance, followed by wreath laying and worship at St. Andrew's Pencoys lych gate and war grave, then Holy Communion in church, attended by a good number of visitors.

There will be no monthly *Quiz* in December, but everyone is warmly invited to our *Patronal Festival Quiz* on *Saturday, 30th November*, following our *Patronal Festival* at 7pm on *Friday, 29th* when the joint celebrants will be Bishop Philip and Revd Carole Holmes.

The next LAMP *First Sunday Evening Event* will be held at 6pm on Advent Sunday, 1st December at Four Lanes Methodist Church to celebrate Advent. Our Annual *Christmas Tree*

Exhibition will begin with staging on Friday and Saturday **13**th **and 14th December** and will run until the traditional 'Twelfth Night' on Sunday 5th January. If you wish to join us for the first time, or to withdraw from the Exhibition, please inform Jill (07809 043656) by

7th **December**. If there is no change, arrangements will stay the same as before and a site will be reserved for you as usual.

Our **Christmas Bazaar** will be opened by Cllr. Danielle Wills (Chair of Carn Brea Parish Council) in Pencoys Hall at 12 noon on **Saturday 14th December**. There will be seasonal soup and sweet lunches and Christmas items on sale, together with raffles, tombola and our new attraction 'Vicar's Surprise'. We thank our friends in the Redruth Team for all your support at our Jumblefood events during the year and look forward to welcoming you on this special Christmas occasion.

The annual *Flapjack Village Christmas Carol Service* will be held at the Methodist Church at 2.30pm on *Sunday 15th December*, following the traditional pattern, with the possible

inclusion of a tableau featuring the young members of Lighthouse, and our friends Peter and Pauline Cocks from Penmarth Chapel, Carnmenellis, supplying musical items, when everyone is very welcome to join us. There will also be an Epiphany Carol Service at St. Andrew's Pencoys on Sunday 5th January 2020 at 6pm.

Our annual *Remembering Service* will be on *Thursday 19th December* at 7pm, when the holly tree Lights of Remembrance will be switched on and names read from the special annual Books of Memory, followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Everyone is very welcome.

If you admire gorgeous original Christmas lights, you are welcome to join our **Community Outing** from Four Lanes at 6.30pm on **Friday 20th December**, when we shall be 'going west' to Angarrack to view the amazing '12 Days of Christmas' lights, with a stop-over for a fish and chip supper. Please contact Fr. Peter if you would like to come along.

Just a reminder that there will be **no** Children's Clothing Bank in December; the next will be held in Pencoys Hall on Saturday 18th January, from 10 am to 12 noon. In the meantime we wish everyone a moving and meaningful Advent season, and a very happy and blessed Christmastide

Jill Tolputt

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER

Film Club

Film Club nights are always the last Friday of each month and is part of the CFylm scheme. However, there will be not be a Film Club night in November nor will there be on the last Friday of December. Instead, we will be showing *Cinderella* on Saturday 14th December at 7pm. The film was directed by Kenneth Brannagh and stars Lily James, Cate Blanchett, Rob Brydon, Richard Madden, Derek Jacobi and Helena Bonham-Carter.

Whist Drive

Our thanks go to Fr Peter for organising the LAMP Whist Drive on Friday 8th November. It was a great way to socialise with our friends from St Andrew's Pencoys and Four Lanes Methodist Church.

Christmas at Christchurch

Our first Christmas event will be our Carol Service on Tuesday 10th December at 7pm. Our "resident" band, Skyliner, will accompany the carols and perform a few Christmas jazz classics. Further events include the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 21st December at 2pm, Christmas Eve services (Crib Service, 3pm and Bethlehem Mass 8pm) and a Christmas Day Mass at 10am.

New Year

This is advance notice of a 50's theme night organised by Pat Williams on Friday 10th January 2020. This will be a fundraising event for the church and there will be more details to come.

Julia Knight-Bennett

ST STEPHEN TRELEIGH



On Sunday October 20th there was a party atmosphere in church

when Jean (née Jenkin) and Jack Archer and their family attended the service. They were married at Treleigh Church by Rev'd Hawthorne on July 23rd 1955. They joined us for coffee in the hall, discovering that Jean went to school with Joy

Pedley! It made their day....and ours!! We've since had a letter from Jack thanking us for the history of the Treleigh Altar frontal that we sent them and saying we all made them feel so welcome.

The Remembrance Day service was taken by Rev'd Graham Adamson assisted by Len Cunningham as Eucharist Minister. Lieutenant Commander Keith Naylor RN (Rtd) performed the laying of the wreath at the Altar and also read the lessons and the Intercessions.

Treleigh Christmas celebrations begin on December 7th with our Christmas Fayre and Coffee Morning from 10-12noon in Treleigh Community Hall to include Christmas baking and presents, books, greetings cards and goodies for sale plus a raffle. Proceeds will go to Church funds with a donation to Cornwall Air

Ambulance. Well worth popping in to chat to old friends and make new ones. On **December 22nd** Treleigh Carol Service is at 6pm with Treleigh School Choir,

followed by mince pies and coffee in Treleigh Community Hall and the drawing of the Christmas Raffle. On **December 24th** there will be a Crib Service in Church at 3pm and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm. On **December 26th** there will be Holy Communion at 10.30am, being St. Stephen's Patronal Festival.

As in previous years there will be a Christmas card stand at the back of the church to display cards to & from your friends in the congregation.

Happy Christmas Everyone!

Trísh Rowe (01209 218416)







December 1st Su Advent Sunday 9.30am Christchurch Lanner **Sung Holy Communion** 9.30am St Andrew Redruth Sung Holy Communion with Children's Sunday Club United Methodist Church Advent Sunday FLAPJACK Holy Communion 11am 11.15am **Holy Communion** St Euny 11.15am St Stephen Treleigh **Sung Holy Communion** Baptism of Jenson George Hurley Smith 1pm St Euny 3pm-5pm United Methodist Church Lighthouse United Methodist Church LAMP First Sunday Evening Event: 'Advent' 6pm 2nd Mo NB.) No Garden Club at St Andrew Redruth (starts again on February 3rd 2020) 1.30pm **Crafty People** Crypt 2pm United Methodist Church FLAPJACK Advent Study Group 6pm St Andrew Redruth **Healing Service** 3rd Tu 8 30am St Andrew Pencovs Morning Praver

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		9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
		NB.) No Yoga*	* at St Euny today	
		2pm	Glencoe	Hymn singing
		7pm	15 Trewirgie Road	St Andrew Redruth DCC
4th	We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
		10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
		11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
		11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room Advent study group
		11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Advent study group
		2pm	Tremethick	Hymn singing
		3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
		7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
5th	Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
		9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
		9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
		NB.) No Yoga*	* at St Euny today	
		1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
		2pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Treleigh School Reception Class Nativity
		7pm	The Knight's House	Treleigh Upper Room Advent study group
6th	Fr	10am-12noon	St Euny	Christmas Cake Decoration Workshop
				with Carrie
		10.15am	12 Mount Carbis Gdns	Book Club
		4pm	Pencoys Hall	St Andrew Pencoys DCC (please note time)
		7pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Healing Service
7th	Sa	10am-12noon	St Euny	Christmas Cake Decoration Workshop
		10am-12noon	Treleigh Community Hall	Christmas Fayre & Coffee Morning. Proceeds
				to Church funds with a donation to Cornwall
				Air Ambulance
		2pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Baptism of Morgan Grace Plumb
		2pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSTeenybeenies*
		4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
		7pm	Pencoys Hall	No Quiz (Senior Citizens' Christmas Party)

8th Su	Second Sunda	-	CUANAD all ago Monthly Draico
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	CHAMP all age Monthly Praise
	9.30am 11am	St Andrew Redruth	Informal Worship with Holy Communion
	11.15am	St Andrew Pencoys St Euny	FLAPJACK Family Event
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Alternative Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion
	12.30pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Said Holy Communion
	-	Tehidy Golf Club	Joint St Andrew Redruth and St Euny
	12.30pm/1pm		Christmas lunch
	3pm	Christchurch Lanner	Said Holy Communion
	3pm-5pm	St Andrew Redruth	Messy Christmas
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9th Mo		Crypt	Crafty People
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	St Stephen Treleigh	A concert by the young music students of
	·		Kirsty Bailey. All welcome
10th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Trewirgie Junior School Carol Concert
	7pm	Christchurch Lanner	Carol Service with Skyliner Big Band
11th We	8.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room Advent study group
	11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Advent study group
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
	7pm	St Andrew Redruth	Redruth School Carol Concert
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
12th Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café. Everyone is welcome
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Trewirgie Junior School Carol Concert
4 0 th E.	7pm	The Knight's House	Treleigh Upper Room Advent study group
13th Fr	0.20.12	St Andrew Pencoys	Christmas Tree Exhibition staging
	9.30-12noon	St Andrew Redruth	Trewirgie Infant School Carol Concerts
	6pm 7 20nm	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion - St Lucia
14th Sa	7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	RAOST Christmas Concert
14UI 3d	12 noon	St Andrew Pencoys	Christmas Tree Exhibition staging Christmas Bazaar with food
		Pencoys Hall Christchurch Lanner	
	2pm 4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSTeenybeenies* DSBeenies*
	4pm 6.30pm/7pm	Christchurch Lanner	Film Club
	5.50pm//pm		

15th Su	Third Sunday	of Advent	
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Family Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung Holy Communion with Children's
			Sunday Club
	11am	United Methodist Church	FLAPJACK Morning Praise
	11.15am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
	2.30pm	United Methodist Church	Village Carol Service
	6pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Sung Holy Communion
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Carol Service with Redruth Town Band
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16th Mo	NB.) No Craft	ty People (starts again on	January 13th 2020)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Treleigh School KS1 Christingle Rehearsal
	2pm	United Methodist Church	FLAPJACK Advent Study Group
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
			rs again on January 6th 2020)
17th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	2pm	The Green	Hymn singing
	2pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Treleigh School KS1 Christingle Rehearsal
		ing Stones Pilates* (starts ag	-
	7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Bev-Lyn Dance School - "Dancing to Bethlehem"
18th We		St Andrew Redruth	Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
	11am	Christchurch Lanner	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11am	Lavinia's House	Margaret's Upper Room Advent study group
	11.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Advent study group
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 and above)
		ing Stones Pilates* (starts ag	
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
	7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Bev-Lyn Dance School - "Dancing to Bethlehem"
19th Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Euny	Yoga*
		ny Open Café (starts agai	· ·
		ing Stones Pilates* (starts ag	
	7pm Zam	The Knight's House	Treleigh Upper Room Advent study group
	7pm 7 20pm	St Andrew Pencoys St Andrew Redruth	Holly Tree Lights and Remembrance Books
20+h Er	7.30pm		Bev-Lyn Dance School - "Dancing to Bethlehem"
20th Fr	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Treleigh School Choir Rehearsal
	6.30pm	Four Lanes Post Office	Christmas Lights Coach Outing, from Four
	7 2000	St Androw Dodruth	Lanes Post Office (details from Father Peter)
21st Sa	7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth oys Hall Children's Clothir	Bev-Lyn Dance School - "Dancing to Bethlehem"
ZISL 3d		Christchurch Lanner	Jumble Sale
	2pm 7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Bev-Lyn Dance School - "Dancing to Bethlehem"
	7.50pm		

22nd Su	Fourth Sunday	y of Advent	
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Sung Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung Holy Communion with Children's
			Sunday Club
	11am	St Andrew Pencoys	FLAPJACK Holy Communion with hymns
	11.15am	St Euny	Morning Praise
	11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Breathing Space
	6pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Carol Service with Treleigh School Choir,
			then mince pies in Treleigh Community Hall and drawing of the Christmas Raffle
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23rd Mo	NB.) No Fellow	wship at United Methodis	t Church
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
24th Tu	Christmas Eve		
	3pm	Christchurch Lanner	Crib Service
	3pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Crib Service
	4pm	St Andrew Redruth	Crib Service
	5pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Crib and Christingle Service
	6pm	St Euny	Lessons and Carols
	8pm	Christchurch Lanner	Bethlehem Mass
	11.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Midnight Mass
	11.30pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Midnight Mass
	11.30pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Midnight Mass
25th We	Christmas Day	/	
	10am	St Andrew Redruth	Christmas Day Holy Communion
	10am	St Euny	Christmas Day Holy Communion
	10am	Christchurch Lanner	Christmas Day Holy Communion
	11am	St Andrew Pencoys	Christmas Day Said Holy Communion
			followed by Community Lunch at
			Pencoys Hall 12.30pm
26th Th	St Stephen's D	Day - Boxing Day	
	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	10.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Patronal Festival with Holy Communion
27th Fr	2.30pm	Christchurch Lanner	Snack and Chat
28th Sa	NB.) No Bang	ers & Mash at United Me	thodist Church
	3pm	Porthleven Comm. Hall	DSBeenies* perform "Aladdin"
	7pm	Porthleven Comm. Hall	DSBeenies* perform "Aladdin"
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29th Su	First Sunday o		
	9.30am	United Methodist Church	
	10.30am	St Euny	United Benefice Service
	3pm	St Euny	Cornish Language Christmas Service
	3pm	Porthleven Comm. Hall	DSBeenies* perform "Aladdin"
	4pm	Pencoys Hall	Tea Time Celebration
	6pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Evensong
	7pm	Porthleven Comm. Hall	DSBeenies* perform "Aladdin"

30th Mo	4.30pm	Trelowan	Last Monday Bible Study
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
31st Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	7pm	Christchurch Lanner	Moveable Feast of Prayer

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The editors of Five Alive wish all of its readers and contributors a very Peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year

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PASTORAL TEAM

At present the telephone number for the Pastoral Team is unavailable, therefore anyone wishing to speak to them, should in the first instance, contact a Churchwarden.

St Andrew's Church, Pencoys CHRISTMAS BAZAAR with food Saturday 14 December 2019 12 noon to 2pm in Pencoys Hall

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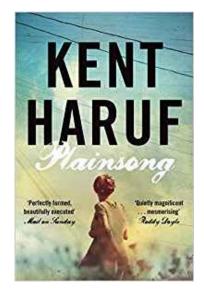
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BOOK CLUB

Friday 06 December - Poetry Reading of own choice

NO MEETING IN JANUARY

Friday 07 February - Plainsong will be Set in Kent Haruf's fictional landscape of Holt County, Colorado, *Plainsong* is a story of simple lives told with extraordinary empathy. Tom Guthrie is struggling to bring up his two young sons alone. In the same town, school girl Victoria Roubideaux finds herself pregnant and homeless. Whilst Tom's sons find their way forward without their mother, quiet and gentle Harold and Raymond McPheron agree to take Victoria in, unaware that their lives are about to change forever. A novel of haunting beauty from one of America's greatest writers of our time, *Plainsong* explores the grace and hope of every human life and mankind's infinite capacity for love.



ST ANDREW REDRUTH DEFIBRILLATOR

After arranging the installation of the equipment on the wall outside the crypt and the CPR training undertaken by Mary Anson the defibrillator is now operational and registered with the South West Ambulance Service.



THE ST JOHN AMBULANCE HALL, REDRUTH

by Míchael Tangye

Many were saddened to see the decline of the voluntary Redruth Division of the St John Ambulance Brigade in recent times, now combined with those of Illogan and Camborne based at the latter. Redruth, the oldest and longest, was the first formed in Cornwall in 1893, and still consisted of two male ambulance Divisions, boy cadets, Nursing Division and nursing cadets All found it impossible to function in an age where "working for nothing" is outdated and educational priorities engage young people.

The Redruth Division, the first in Cornwall, was formed in 1893 and from 1938, until it recently left the town, met at its 'Headquarters' at the large Ambulance Hall situated at the top of Bassett Street. It was built by volunteers on the site of a large mine burrow associated with Pednandrea Mine—all removed by picks and shovels during which a coin of Elizabeth 1 was unearthed. Its opening in April 1938 was blessed by the Bishop of Truro at a ceremony attended by uniformed members of the SJAB and a large number of townsfolk. Shortly after, many of its male members had to leave to join the armed forces during which time, before the National Health Service followed, all emergency and routine cases were served, by both day and night, using one ambulance driven by day by one person, a crew of two being collected from their work place in the town—such was the small demand in a then much smaller community.

With the end of the war, former members returned to re-join the Division and swell the numbers. This writer can recall those times, when on voluntary duty at night, being awakened by the driver, who was the only person with a telephone, to then collect a third member of the crew. Casualties and admissions were treated and taken mainly to Redruth Hospital, but also to Truro Infirmary. All was to change with the formation of the Cornwall Ambulance Service which consisted mainly of former SJAB personnel and only night duties were continued by the Divisional members. The large hall at Bassett Street was always used for public events. During the war weekly dances on Saturday nights attracted American soldiers prior to D-Day and both male and female staff based at RAF Portreath, Nancekuke; as boys we watched them engaging in 'Jitter-Bugging' dancing, swinging the ladies between their legs, in an atmosphere thick with smoke, to the music of one of several local dance bands. There were also whist drives, wedding receptions, concerts and even a large Harvest Festival service organised by the Rev Harry Hawthorn with the choir of Treleigh Church, of which this writer was then a choir boy. Sadly the Ambulance Hall was demolished in January 2013.

Since 1893, members of the Division had benefitted in their training from the use of a real male skeleton suspended in a tall glass case. In more recent times only the skull, an arm and a leg survived. No longer needed, this writer used them, on retiring as a paramedic, when employed in teaching First Aid Courses as a trainer in the SJAB 'First Aid at Work' training centres Par, keeping them in my garage. I eventually showed them to my four interested grandchildren, saying they were once parts of 'Sammy Tregidga'. Soon after, I received a phone call from an amxious teacher of one of the children, expressing concern as she had been told that 'my grandad has pieces of a human in his garage!'

She had suspected that I had murdered someone!

<<Talkabout>> - Walking Adventures © by Tricia Rowe

Walking has given us a multitude of adventures both of the human and animal kind, some good, some not so good. Very comfortable and easy going walking along the sides of fields, and so far no animals! Oops! Spoke too soon! A field of cows. Don't mind sheep, not keen on cows! They were sitting down as we approached but soon stood up and started towards us. We headed for a barbed wire fence that was impossible to get through, so we went over. Dave went over first and helped me over, but when I was at the top he had to piggyback me off!! A bit hairy! As soon as we were over the fence the cows got a bit frisky and started careering around. Phew! Lucky escape!

It was now a case of getting back on track as the cow drama had set us off in the wrong direction. We managed to bypass several more fields of cows and eventually enjoying the peace and quiet of a series of crop fields. The wind was rippling the fields ahead of like an immense golden sea. Take cows and dogs out of the equation and country rambling is really quite peaceful!

While sitting on a grassy bank eating our picnic a man, about our age, passed us on a bike with a dog in a basket on the back! As he went by he sang: "Keep right on to the end of the road". It made our day! We did meet two holiday couples who stopped their cars to ask directions. They were a little spooked by the high hedges and narrow lanes and by the fact that they had no idea where they were and had somehow strayed from the main roads into the labyrinth network of our Cornish lanes!

On The Saints' Way we walked paths through ancient woodlands where we could almost feel the presence of the Saints as they walked these tracks dressed in their monk's habit, open sandals and carrying stout staffs. That's how I envisage the Saint's anyway!! There are some magical places on the Saints' Way where you can really imagine these Holy men wending their way across the county.

So walking has all the drama and adventure you could wish for....sometimes too much!!

THE PATIENTS ARE RUNNING THE UNIT by Avril Blight

The patients are running the unit and the circus is coming to town The whole world is hungry, the planet is crying, The universe fading away.

The patients are running the unit And the circus is coming to town The ice caps are melting, The polar bears homeless, And the rivers are drying to dust.

The patients are running the unit And the circus is coming to town The forests are burning, The birds are not singing, The animals breeding no more.

The patients are running the unit And the circus is coming to town Crops wilting and dying, The burning earth raging, And patients stage managed it all.

The patients are running the unit And the circus is coming to town The seas flood the unit Destroying the medicines, The doctors are locked in their rooms.

Yet the patients keep running the unit



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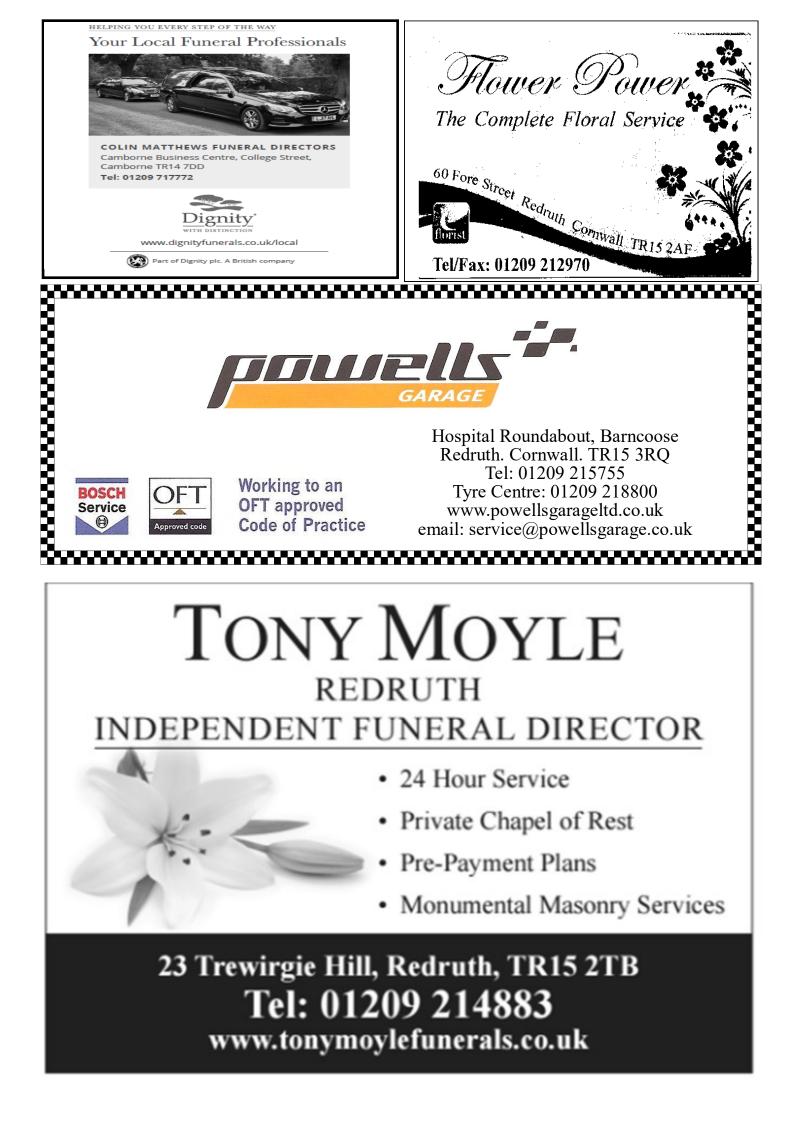


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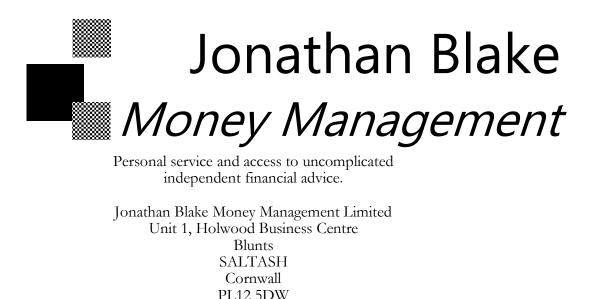
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