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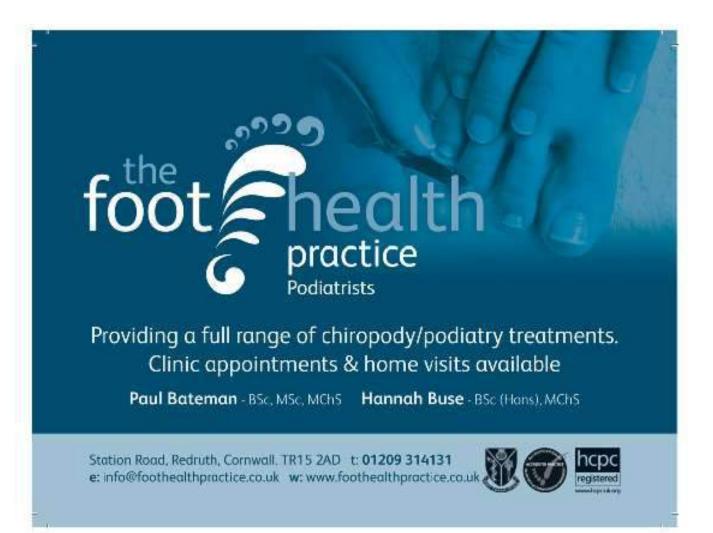
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Rector's notes - January 2021

What might this year bring...?

A very Happy New Year to you! It's common to look both back and forward at this time of year.

Looking back

Whoever could have imagined what we all experienced the last year. Not since WW2 has our nation lived with such extraordinary restrictions on

A prayer for church growth God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your church; send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our churches grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

life, nor lived with such a widespread anxiety. But the year ended with the real prospect of the beginning of an end to this pandemic over the next few months, as various vaccines are rolled out. Through all of this time our church life has had to adapt, and I'm very aware that while some of us have warmly embraced online ways of worshipping and praying together, others have not been able.

Looking forward

Team Council in December decided to leave as it is the pattern of worship in our churches (alternate Sundays in every church) for January to March, but with the expressed hope that by Easter Day on 4th April we may be able to begin worshipping in every church every Sunday again. But who knows what other twists and turns may lie between here and there. We will deal with them as they arise as best we can!

At Epiphany we recall the arrival of the wise men from the east, bearing wonderful and valuable symbolic gifts for the baby born to be King. Perhaps as they arrived Mary and Joseph might have been contemplating their return to Nazareth, and getting on with a more normal life, now with Jesus to bring up. But in fact their biggest adventure was about to begin, as Joseph was warned in that dream to take the holy family to Egypt to escape the wrath of King Herod, and the massacre of the innocents. If their journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem had been challenging, now they had to flee much further, with a babe in arms, to a nation they had no knowledge of at all. But God was with them, and all they were called to do was be faithful to God, and trust him for their future.

Our situation is far less daunting than that, but nonetheless there are things about the future of our individual lives and the life of our churches that we can't know yet. But we do know that God is faithful, and worthy of all our trust. So may 2021 be a year we continue to seek God's wisdom for our future as churches together, and may we discern the ways in the future God wants us to serve our community, and each other.

With my prayers and best wishes for a joyful and hope-filled New Year

Caspar Bush (Team Rector)

POEMS FOR COVID!

Christchurch, Lanner and St Andrew, Pencoys wish you all a very happy and peaceful new year. 2020 has come to an end, the vaccine is in sight and we are all looking forward to a glorious Easter, after a rather zoomed out Christmas.

Social media is full of spoof carols, jokes and videos that have tried to lift our hearts and make us smile as the year drew to a close. Here are just two offerings; the first one is taken from the LANNER PARISH COUNCIL community paper, and the second one was written by a nine year old member of the CATCH-UP-CLUB.

THE TWELVE DAYS OF LOCKDOWN

On the first day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, a workout with Joe Wicks On the second day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, two metres apart On the third day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, three lie-ins On the fourth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, four daily walks On the fifth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, five toilet rolls On the sixth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, six banana breads On the seventh day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, seven daily briefings On the eighth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, eight fun zoom quizzes On the ninth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, nine jokes on facebook On the tenth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, ten panic buyers On the eleventh day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, eleven face coverings On the twelth day of lockdown, my true love gave to me, twelve virtual meetings.

THE TWELVE DAYS OF COVID

On the first day of covid, my true love gave to me, a box of PPE
On the second day of covid, my true love gave to me, two metres apart
On the third day of covid, my true love gave to me, three throw-away masks
On the fourth day of covid, my true love gave to me, four medical gloves
On the fifth day of covid, my true love gave to me, five meetings on zoom
On the sixth day of covid, my true love gave to me, six bottles of hand-gel
On the seventh day of covid, my true love gave to me, seven bars of soap
On the eighth day of covid, my true love gave to me, eight paper towels
On the ninth day of covid, my true love gave to me, nine months of lockdown
On the tenth day of covid, my true love gave to me, ten virtual hugs
On the eleventh day of covid, my true love gave to me, eleven cancelled parties
On the twelth day of covid, my true love gave to me, twelve front line workers

The following thoughts were on: *The Happy Paper* which came through my letterbox:

IT'S THE SELFLESS THINGS YOU DO WHEN NO-ONE WILL SEE, EXPECTING NOTHING IN RETURN OTHER THAN TO MAKE SOMEONE ELSE HAPPY

LISTENING, SIMPLY BEING THERE, LETTING THE ONES YOU LOVE KNOW YOU CARE

CHECKING IN ON FRIENDS, FAMILY AND NEIGHBOURS TOO, ASKING IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU CAN DO

YOU SEE, WE DON'T NEED A LOT OF MONEY AT ALL; GENEROSITY IS IN OUR ACTIONS, SECRET AND SMALL

With love and best wishes, and the hope of a smile. FP xx



Grateful thanks to Jason Hoole-Jackson who has agreed to provide the cover pictures for 2021 for Five Alive

ST ANDREW'S POSADA

Adopted from the Spanish festival of 'Las Posadas' (meaning 'The Inns'), the Posada journey has become integrated into the Advent preparations of many Anglican churches in recent years. The journey of Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem, seeking in vain for comfortable digs in which Mary could give birth, is reflected in the journey around the homes of the parish in the four weeks of Advent. We use model figures.



In some countries in Latin America processions are made around the neighbourhood. Children may be dressed as Mary and Joseph, refused entry at the first two houses that they call on and allowed to enter the third and here they are entertained with a celebration, usually involving a feast.

The journey of Mary and Joseph around the homes in our parish posed a challenge in these days of social distancing and virus-avoidance. Lez undertook a mammoth task of love and dedication when she decided to ensure that the Posada would not become yet one more victim of the shut-down of community. For each of the households who registered their wish to have a Posada this year, she created individual bags with model figures and prayers, so that everyone involved could feel a part of this larger tradition and desire to remember and build the hope of Advent.

What has the Posada meant to families in the parish and benefice? Here are some thoughts and comments from those who took part.

The Posada has been a draw for little people. Small, tactile figures, which fit in the palm of a hand, being both special and familiar, have encouraged questioning and prompted the telling of the nativity story. In some homes the Posada sits in prominent display: in a window, surrounded by a rainbow, bathed with light; on the mantelpiece, gathered with the family in the evening; beside the computer, watching and accompanying everyday work. The journey between homes has been suspended this year, but within many an internal journey has taken place, sometimes planned, sometime by chance. The figures move to wherever people wish to see them, sniff them (for inquisitive pets), play with them if young enough and pray with them at any age. They have been a focus for home Communion, a reminder for family and visitors of the meaning of this season of the Church's life, a visual declaration of belief. Everyone who has taken part has felt that their physical presence has stimulated conversation, prayer and reflection. We are encouraged to pause and remember what is important in our lives.

For many a special time has been taken, often at the end of the day, when candlelight and quiet have attended reflection on other lives, especially of those who struggle in so many ways. Some use suggested prayers, some their own words. "Holding others in God's love, which hopefully reaches those who struggle, brings comfort and strength. It has been a privilege to pray for all those involved in the Posada, especially when we haven't seen them for some time."

Many thanks to Lez from everyone for enabling us to participate this year. Feliz Navidad y próspero año nuevo para todos.

Linda Beskeen

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER

COMMUNITY PANTRY

Christmas treats appeared in the pantry, and 30 Treat bags went into the community; thank you for your generous support.

CAROL SERVICE

The Carol Service was LIVE with much appreciated recorded contributions from The Four Tunes and our own Julia. It was lovely to sing a few carols by lamp light in the churchyard when the service was over. The church looked beautiful thank you to those who worked so hard.

WEEKDAY EVENTS AND SERVICES

Opening times for private prayer remain the same:

MONDAY and FRIDAY - 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Sunday Holy Communion services are on:

SECOND and FOURTH SUNDAYS - 10.30am

FUTURE PLANNING

Although there are no predicted dates to start again, the gathered congregation hope to start and resume:

A PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP / TIDDLERS 2 / EACH MONDAY 10.00am - 12noon THE MONTHLY FILM CLUB

THE MONTHLY TEA PARTY

THE YOUTH THEATRE GROUP

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Updated information: Christmas services and events:
Christmas Eve: Said Holy Communion Services at 6 pm and 11 pm
Christmas Day: Said Holy Communion Service at 11.00 am
Followed by Community Picnic Lunch with Quiz, 12 noon in Church



The Church remains open for private prayer on **Tuesday and Saturday** afternoons from **2 pm to 4 pm** and for services of Holy Communion at 10.30 am on the first Sunday, 3rd January, and at 6pm on the third Sunday, 17th January. There will be a Service of the Word at 10.30am at Four Lanes Methodist Church on Sunday 17th January. These (private prayer, first and third Sunday) arrangements will remain in place until March, when the situation will be reviewed. The fifth-Sunday Benefice Service will continue to be held on zoom. For up-to-date information, please see the weekly prayer sheet, available online at:-

www.redruthchurch.org.uk OR on request from:enquiries@redruthchurch.org.uk OR contact Fr. Peter (07903 807946).

We continue to meet and worship on Zoom, and our **thanks** go to our hardworking clergy for enabling us to do this. As well as the actual church services, noted above, the Benefice Sunday Holy Communion Service is held weekly on zoom at 10.30 am, as are the weekly social times, continuing until March. The latest information and/or for the Zoom link to join the weekly service and social times are available from Revd. Caspar Bush, at:-

casparbush@gmail.com. (01209 216958).

Fr. Peter also continues to publish his weekly informative and interesting 'Together' sheet, on the website or on request from:-

Fr Peter: baptism66@gmail.com

The next **LAMP First Sunday Evening Event** will be held at St. Andrews Pencoys, and will be a 'live' Epiphany Carol Service, at 6 p.m. on Sunday, 3rd January. Everyone will be very welcome, when the present safety guidelines will be observed, including the use of face coverings.

On 29th November our very first Zoomed Patronal Festival was held, and although it was not possible for the proposed Confirmations to take place, it was a most enjoyable experience, enjoyed by many from across the Team. We thank Caspar for arranging this and Bishop Hugh for his participation and inspiring words.

Thank You to everyone who has placed a Christmas tree in the church this year, and for adding to the festive cheer in otherwise gloomy times. Your efforts are much appreciated. Please arrange for your tree to be taken down by Tuesday, 5th January. Many thanks.

A quote from Arthur Young, agriculturist, writer and philanthropist (1741-1820): "God sleeps in the minerals, awakes in the plants, walks in the animals and thinks in man". Let us hope and especially pray that the thoughts and actions of mankind will bring everyone good health, peace and contentment in the New Year.

The members of Flapjack wish everybody a very happy, healthy and positive New Year in 2021.

ST EUNY

As we draw near to Christmas, this would usually be one of the busiest times of the church year. This year is no exception but, as with everything else this year, the plans are a little different from usual!

We are holding our Christmas Eve Carol Service at 6pm as normal, but this year it will be on Zoom so that we can sing. What is a Carol Service without the chance to join in! We are, however, also holding a Christingle service in the church on Sunday 20th December at 4pm. This has been designed to be socially distanced and Covid safe (we're all getting rather adept at this now!) and so we will book people in to manage numbers.

We are also running the Come Rain or Shine project again over the Christmas holidays. This Cornwall Community Foundation funded initiative ran successfully over several weeks during the summer holidays and we were delighted to welcome a number of local families to join us for an afternoon of activities before we shared a meal together. Thanks so much to all the volunteers who made delicious desserts for us!

We felt that much as these sessions were needed in the summer holidays after a long lock-down, the need is even greater over the winter after a really challenging year for so many families. A grant from Western Power, supporting projects that bring a little joy to Christmas, has allowed us to plan for 3 further sessions in St Euny church in December and January. Thanks to volunteers who have offered help either with cooking or helping run the activities - it couldn't be done without you!

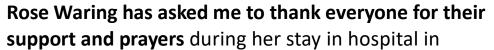
Our first Tiddlers Baby Club sessions have taken place in December. Thanks to Tiddlers at St Andrew's for sharing toys with us to start us off, while you are not yet able to reopen. Also thanks again to volunteers who help this to run. I'm really glad our church community across the Benefice has got behind this with offers of pillowcases to make toy-bags, and help with sessions. Joan has done heroic work creating toy-bags we can hang up, so we can give each child their own toys for the session. We are still getting interest in this group as local Health Visitors are recommending us to young parents, so this is responding to a real local need. The Tiddler Toddler Club will open in the New Year, as schools go back.

We really enjoyed our return to church services once a fortnight. The November lockdown was a blow but we're hoping to return now to the pattern that emerged, with the services of Charlie on the organ, the bells pealing again on a Sunday morning thanks to our team of ringers and Kathryn and Charlie singing for us the hymns we can't sing! We're so grateful for the faithful team that makes our Sunday morning services so precious now, when we can take nothing for granted.

As we come through the darkest time of the year, we pray that 2021 will dawn full of hope and healing for us all in our churches, our town and beyond.

Revd Deb

ST STEPHEN'S TRELEIGH





November. These include husband Terry, Stacey and Martin, daughter and son, Lowan Cancer Ward at Treliske hospital, where the staff were wonderful, Treleigh Church support group which is so special to her and everyone who phoned, sent cards, flowers and chocolates. She says she feels so wrapped up in God's love and unable to explain in words how much this all means to her, she is so blessed. The support and prayers of everyone has been a wonderful boost.

Services at Treleigh have started again on the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10.30am. Midnight Mass will be at the new time of 8pm on Christmas Eve, and Churchwarden Mary Harris says anyone wanting to go please let her know on 01209 214177 as numbers are restricted under covid regulations. Boxing Day is Treleigh's Patronal Festival and there will be a service at 10.30am.

In June 2000 two brass candlesticks, of tremendous historical interest to Treleigh, were returned home after very many years. The candlesticks were been given to Treleigh by Mrs. Gladys Ross of Par, having been in her family for many years. She was told by her family that they were made by her great-grandfather, Samuel Trevena, a miner, and sexton at Treleigh for many years. They had been used in the original blacksmith's shop that served Treleigh Parish before the Church was built. These were transferred to the Church, when it was built in 1866, and subsequently given back to the family, where they have been ever since. Rev'd Roger Bush, Dean of Truro Cathedral but Rector of Redruth at the time, and David Rowe were invited by Mrs. Ross to go to Par and collect them, which they did, receiving a very warm welcome and delicious refreshments. This is a wonderful acquisition for Treleigh. This is living history and we owe sincere thanks to Mrs. Ross for her generosity in giving us these mementoes of the past. The candlesticks reside on the small shelf above the choir stalls.

Happy New Year Everyone Take care & stay safe **Trish Rowe**

THE LORD'S PRAYER – HALLOWED BE THY NAME

It is probably true that of all the petitions of the Lord's Prayer this is the one the meaning of which we find the most difficult. If we were asked what does this petition actually mean, most of us would have some difficulty in answering. So, before we can answer this question, we might begin by attempting an explanation of the words we are using. It is a phrase which we use every Sunday. After all, it is present - quite rightly so – in every liturgical service in common worship. Hence the need to explain what we are saying and then what it means in practice.

The word "Hallowed" is closely connected with the word "holy". It means to treat someone or something as holy. The basic meaning of both words is "different" or "separate". An altar is holy because it exists for a purpose different or separate from the ordinary. When the service ends the altar is not used for coffee cups because it is separate or hallowed. William Barclay translates the phrase 'Let your name be held holy'. Let God's name be given a position which is absolutely unique.

In the Jewish culture in which Jesus lived, the name of a person meant more than a label or a means of identification. The name means the person, his character and personality. It means to know what someone is like – if he is competent, whether you can trust him or not. The name is the nature and character – the reputation of someone, like when we say someone, or a company has a good name. To speak thus is not about a label or the name above the door, but the standing of the person or firm in the community. Holy is God's reputation.

This petition has two clear implications. The first is about faith and worship. Thus, the first petition of the Lord's Prayer places God first. It is his claims that are to be thought of first. The God whom we worship reveals himself uniquely to us in Jesus Christ. He shows us the way by which we can come to him by the resources of the Cross and Resurrection. He reveals to us how we may approach him and receive those resources in the Eucharist. While our faith is personal to us, it is God's faith, offered to us through Jesus Christ; the content of that faith is decided by Him. He is God and we are his worshipers.

The second petition is about the quality of human life and society. It is best explained by observing the opposite. The third commandment is the opposite to this petition: "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain" (Exodus Ch:20v.7). To fail to do this was to fail in one's duty to other people. The words of Jesus "Treat others as you would like them to treat you" (Luke Ch:6 v.31) [The New English Bible]) puts it simple. As we believe in God and hallow his name, we live lives of Christian quality "The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self Control." (Galatians Ch:5 v.22 -23.) Hallowing God's name is about the quality of our private lives.

The hallowing of God's name is the supreme principle of morality. The name of God is desecrated when the needs of the poor are ignored – when commerce is corrupted – when banking is based on greed and the bullet and the bomb are used for political aims. Hallowing God's name is to take seriously the claims of God upon the whole of the social, political, and economic affairs of nations. It means taking God seriously. One Russian author wrote about the terrors of the time of Joseph Stalin: "When God is not on the throne anything goes on earth". The God whom we worship has an active interest in the affairs of nations as well as individuals – in world peace and justice. Nations that think that their interests are served by oppressive attitudes to their own people or their neighbours will gain nothing but their own destruction. They have forgotten God – taken his name in vain. Our faith is about the here and

Revd Raymond Webber - retired priest

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Space constraints do not allow us to repeat the information on Parish Giving, QR codes and bank details for each church. You can find these details in earlier editions or by contacting your church Treasurer.

Friday January 8th—The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of



another reality. One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life. While we all wonder how our lives might have been, what if you had the chance to go to the library and see for yourself? Would any of these other lives

In *The Midnight Library*, Matt Haig's enchanting new novel, Nora Seed finds herself faced with this decision. Faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist; she must search within herself as she travels through the Midnight Library to decide what is truly fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.

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Wheal Uny

by Michael Tangye

Most are familiar with the mine engine houses of Wheal Uny, their structures like Norman Keeps, dominating the landscape above Church Coombe. During their active years, St Euny Church which owned the land on which they stood, benefitted from the income gained. Today it provides a pleasant area for walking, but at one time, it was the scene of great activity after its opening in 1851 under mine captain Jonathon Dawe. It was never a rich mine, but by 1865 it was employing 234 men, and 121 females along with 63 boys—the latter two groups working at the surface, with some boys assisting their fathers underground. At that time, 1865, it was reported:- 'the returns will scarcely meet the expenditure, but there are hopes of higher priced tin now that the American War has ended.' (The American Civil War). At the same time, East Wheal Uny which occupied the site of the present Redruth Albany RFC at Trewirgie, employed 105 men, 36 females and 25 boys, which all indicates the immense total employed in the mining area of Redruth, Southgate and Carnkie alone. One can imagine the roads and lanes leading to the mines congested with folk walking wearily to work moving aside to allow the faster donkey-chaise owners to pass. Yet for many their work would virtually be the cause of their death, either at the mine surface or underground. At the former the explosion of large boilers, used to create the steam power necessary to work the huge beam-engines situated within the engine houses, was a common cause of death or terrible scalding. Such an incident was reported in 1852 when miner James Phillips was killed. At the inquest the engine-man Edmund West gave evidence. After leaving the engine-house for a period, on his return he noted that the water lift from the mine depths was not bringing water to the pump head to supply the cistern from where it was forced into the boiler. The engine was stopped and James Phillips, the deceased, and Jon Harris went underground and repaired the lift. When James came to the surface to throw some water on the boiler clack valve the boiler exploded due to insufficient water within it. Bricks, lime and stones fell down the shaft which also became full of smoke, the roof of the boiler house was blown off and the furnace fire end destroyed.

Underground deaths were regularly reported, often several in one week occurring in different local mines. In August 1891 young miner John Kent of Redruth Churchtown was killed in the 213 fathom level at Wheal Uny 'by a rock falling on him tons in weight.' He was probably laid to rest in St Euny graveyard, and like so many others, his grave unmarked. His father had been killed six years previously.

By 1892 Cornish mining was to experience a deep depression leading to the usual unemployment and thus mass emigration to foreign minding fields, particularly to the gold fields of South Africa. In June 1892 it was reported that mining equipment was sold at Wheal Uny including three pumping engines, 80 heads of stamping machines, winding engines for the shafts and numerous fittings—all sold to a Mr Vaughan of Bristol. It marked the end of Wheal Uny.

The engine-houses of the mine had left their mark with a huge burrow of ashes and churks (partly burnt coal) covering 300 yards of the common nearby which burnt for twelve months. Today the downs are silent—no longer the sound of Cornish workers nor the regular thud of the batteries of stamps crushing ore—only now the deep cry of a raven breaks the silence.

<<Talkabout>> Coincidence © by Trish Rowe

They say that fact is stranger than fiction and we have found that very true. I was born in the Highlands of Scotland, Elgin in Morayshire, almost as far away as you can get from Cornwall, where I have spent most of my life. My dad was posted to Elgin with the Army during the war, and my Mum went with him in spite of my impending birth! The three of us returned South to London when I was nearly a year old, moving to Cornwall on my seventh birthday. A few years ago Dave and I travelled to Elgin, the town that I last saw when I was about eleven months old.

We found the nursing home where I was born, now a residential home, in the shadow of the ruined Elgin Cathedral. We spoke to the young man in charge and he invited us in. He was me in reverse....he had a broad Scottish accent, but had been born in REDRUTH!! If you put that in a novel people would laugh and say it was too much of a coincidence....but it is true!

Fast forward to when I was in the 5th form at Bodmin Grammar School and watching members of out sports team board the coach for the SW Schools County Athletic Championships at Cheltenham. It was a couple of years later when I met him when I was working in Liskeard Library that I discovered that Dave was on that coach with the Penzance Grammar School contingent, competing in the half mile (now 800 metres!). How's that for coincidence?

When we walked The South West Way we were crossing on the ferry over the Exe Estuary from Tor Cross to Exmouth when a voice called: "You're a long way from home"! You've guessed it....Redruth people!! Later we stopped at a café on Exmouth Esplanade and the family on the next table recognised us from our Polzeath holiday several years before. The reason we were so memorable is that Dave had developed Bell's Palsey, a temporary paralysis of a facial nerve. These people had been staying in one of the chalets next to us when we discovered it!! Another coincidence was when my sister and her husband were in Spain and she spotted a chap wearing a Cornwall rugby shirt and felt she had to find out where he came from! It turned out that he came from Chacewater and played bowls against Dave!

A friend said she had been chatting to someone on a mountain in Slovenia who said she had relatives in Redruth, it was us!!...so coincidence? It's everywhere!!

COVID-19 Guidance



Wash your hands, cover your face, make space.

#StaySafe

I hope if everyone observes these rules for just a little bit longer, by next summer we will start to see everything getting back to normal

Looking forward to a happier and healthier 2021 *Rosemary*

A CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR QUIZ

- 1. In what part of the body would you find the fibula?
- 2. Hamilton has become one of the biggest musical theatre shows of all time since it debuted in 2015, but what is the name of the acclaimed star who wrote it?
- 3. If you have cryophobia, what are you afraid of?
- 4. Who won the Best Actress Award at the most recent Oscars?
- 5. How many of Henry VIII's wives were called Catherine?
- 6. According to ONS, what was the most popular boy's name in the UK in 2018?
- 7. Ray Davies was the frontman on which iconic '60s band?
- 8. Which popular video game franchise has released games with the subtitles World At War and Black Ops?
- 9. In what US State is the city Nashville?
- 10. Which rock band was founded by Trent Reznor in 1988?
- 11. What's the chemical symbol for silver?
- 12. With what sport would you associate Sachin Tendulkar?
- 13. What is the capital city of Switzerland?
- 14. Which legendary actor played Jimmy Hoffa in Martin Scorsese's 2019 film The Irishman?
- 15. Ataulfo, Alphonso and Keitt are varieties of what fruit?
- 16. In what modern day country was Nikola Tesla born?
- 17. What is the smallest planet in our solar system?
- 18. Who wrote the novels Gone Girl and Sharp Objects?
- 19. What is seven cubed?
- 20 Who is the current manager of Manchester United?

(answers in February issue)





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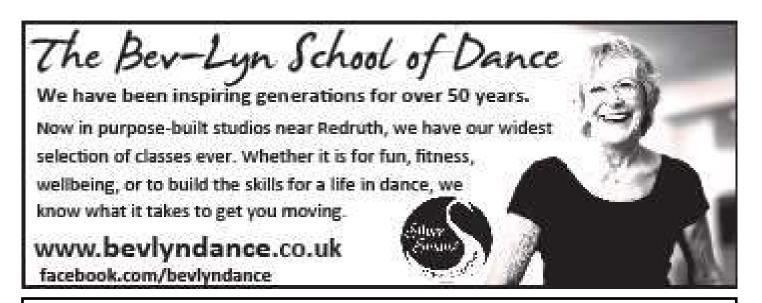
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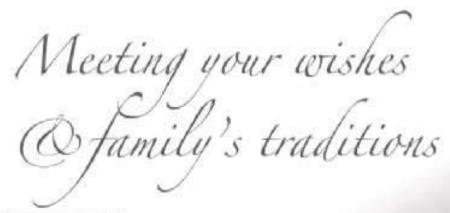
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