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Rector's notes – JANUARY 2023

A new beginning

Welcome to the new world of 2023! Let's pray it turns out a better one than its previous three versions!

During last year our deanery, Carnmarth North, approved a new plan to guide the life of our churches into a new phase which begins in this new year. You'll remember the vision at the heart of this plan was summed up in this statement:

Living God's abundant life; sharing the good news of Jesus

This is basically a call to all of us first to acknowledge God's great goodness to us, rejoicing that God has blessed us with his life and love and purpose, in Jesus. And then, in God's power, to take seriously God's call for us to share that good news in loving and gracious ways with the people around us who don't know about it yet!

The key practical change to help us all in that task is that using money from the Church Commissioners we are appointing a new deanery missionary, our friend from his curacy with us, Revd Graham Adamson. Graham will be working across the deanery, mainly through our 18 churches, to encourage us and help us to be better equipped for this new vision of sharing our faith. I am personally delighted that Graham will be working with us again, and as rural dean I will actually be overseeing his work across the whole deanery.

Graham will be commissioned for this new role at a special service with Bishop Hugh at **7pm on Thursday 26th January at Chacewater Church**, and we'd love you to be there. It will also serve as the launch service for this new vision in our churches.

There are many, many ways in which we can share our faith. Reassuringly, one of the helpful things we can do is behave as decent, kind-hearted, caring human beings! But there is more to it than that as well. We've probably all had negative experiences of people (often on the street) doing this in a way that we've found jarring – although God works in mysterious ways, and some people do come to faith through those very up-front methods. The important thing, and my request to you, is that we do take this call to share our faith seriously, and work out what our part to play might be. The place to start is surely prayer:

- for Graham in his new role
- that God would give us greater confidence in our own faith
- that God would move in the hearts of people in our area to hear and receive the love of God

With my prayers and best wishes
Caspar Bush (Team Rector)

Stop.

Well, winter is here! It's official! Jack Frost has been and left the white sheet on our paths, roads, and fields. Beautiful, but as I have found, a little trepidatious. Being new to Cornwall, I had resounded that I would never see a white Christmas due to its amazing microclimate, however, as I walk out of my house this weekend, I see sheets of ice on the road, and even just yesterday, I saw a car going down Park Road career and slide into an innocent parked car. Standing at the kerb side I found myself pondering on how I am to navigate the icy black river that lay before me. It made me stop, pause, and re-think where I was going and how I was to get there.

On the second advent we looked at John the Baptist and his signature quote, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Repent; **to turn away from sin**, emotionally, spiritually, and physically. The Hebrew word for repentance is 'Teshuva'. Teshuvah (pronounced teh-shoo-vah) translates literally as "return," and describes the return to God. We constantly make the decision to return to God, not just be sorry and apologise once, but to change. In repentance, we must first stop, evaluate where we are going, and change direction, 'Return' to be in God's presence. In the original Greek, in which the early bibles were most probably written, the word "repent," (metanoesate) means to "change one's mind, attitude and purpose," and carries in its root the sense of pain, so repenting from sins doesn't simply mean an academic change of mind, but a heartfelt transformation of one's mind and can come with a cost.

'Repentance', 'Repent', and 'Return' are all verbs, they are actions that require intentionality, to question ourselves, what we are doing, and why we are doing it. As we are both physical and spiritual beings, to be in a relationship with God we need to evaluate ourselves and that requires our whole being, all of our body, mind and heart, as we are reminded in Jesus's command, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'. Intellectually, emotionally, spiritually, and physically.

For many of us going out in this weather will be difficult if not dangerous. It will require us to stop, rethink, evaluate, and possibly return. This advent we are reminded to do the same. Christmas reminds everyone that it is a time to actually stop, think, and return to a king who was born. Return with a new heart, a new intentionality, to start again, afresh, repentant. To have stopped and recognise that He is king, we are not. To follow, to be led, rather than trying to navigate icy, dangerous landscapes by ourselves. He will lead us. We place ourselves in God's safe hands for what he has for us in the coming new year.

Revd Chris Harrigan

EPIPHANY

Now that Christmas is over, are you taking some time to look forward to the Festival of the Epiphany. FRIDAY JANUARY 6 is the actual day, but the Benefice churches may transfer it to SUNDAY JANUARY 1, but then you would miss the NAMING OF JESUS, Or they may transfer it to SUNDAY JANUARY 8, but then you would miss the BAPTISM OF CHRIST. So, keep checking the weekly sheet and see when the Benefice will keep this THREE RING FESTIVAL. What is certain is that the ANNUAL EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE will be the First Sunday Event on Sunday January 1 2023 at Pencoys, 6.00pm.



The word EPIPHANY comes from the Greek word EPIPHANEIA which means to show, to appear, to manifest, and through those meanings, TO UNDERSTAND. The wise ones had travelled far they brought three gifts, GOLD for a King, FRANKINCENSE for Prayer and MYRRH as a salve for wounds. They understood that although from a different background, a different culture, something momentous had happened. They returned home by 'another way', having been warned in a dream not to return to king Herod.

This understanding was mirrored by a six year old Muslim boy, who decided for himself to attend a Christingle Event in Pencoys Church. In his own way, he wanted to understand Christmas, what it was all about. It wasn't about conversion, it was about UNDERSTANDING and being part of something that was important for other people. Be sure that when his great festivals take place, they will be honoured. Archbishop Rowan Williams made it clear in his Reith Lecture on the SECOND FREEDOM, Freedom of Worship that all the major faiths must seek to help each other in times of crisis. Perhaps in this new year we will all seek to have an Epiphany and understand others and the pathways they walk.

Have a happy and peaceful New Year FP



A Prayer for Epiphany

Father God, the star that led the Magi to the stable announced to the world that its Saviour was born. Today we live in a world that is still covered by darkness, and still needing to make that journey to the stable door. May our lives reflect your light day by day, as we seek to serve where you have placed us. That we might be the means through which others can encounter Jesus Christ. Amen

ST STEPHEN'S TRELEIGH



Saturday 3rd of December in the afternoon saw us holding our Christmas Fayre in the Hall. With all the usual stalls of cakes, tombola, book and cards, bric-a-brac with even the Brownies enjoying the afternoon on their stall. The refreshment stall was well appreciated and the drawing of the raffle brought the afternoon to an end. Just under £700 was raised during the afternoon with a donation given to the Children's Hospice Southwest.

The following Tuesday the Hall committee held a concert in the church by the Skyliners, who set the feet tapping to the glorious sounds from the big band. During the interval, refreshments were provided in the hall by the committee before we returned to the church for the second half. The singing of the Christmas songs with the band in the second half almost lifted the rafters and I doubt there any cobwebs left up there. The evening raised over £250 for the hall refurbishment fund. All in all a great evening's entertainment enjoyed by all who attended and our grateful thanks to The Skyliners Big Band.

On Thursday the 8th December we were honored to welcome the children from Busy Bees Nursery into church with Father Peter telling them the story of the nativity and then as they were already dressed as nativity characters acting out the story. A magical morning.

On Sunday the 18th December we have our Carol Service with the Treleigh School Choir and if other years are anything to go by it will be an evening to be enjoyed. Once again refreshments after the service in the hall. A full report will appear in next month's magazine.

Other services over the Christmas period include on Christmas eve, the Crib Service at 3pm for the young and not so young and at 9pm our 'Midnight Mass'. Christmas day we do not have a service at Treleigh, but the other four churches will be holding one. Please see the weekly sheet for more details.

Monday 26th December (Boxing Day) at 10.30 it is our Patronal Festival. We have a service of Sung Eucharist with cake and fizz following the service (this time in the church). All are welcome to join us.

Mary Harris

ST EUNY

This busy time of year has had an extra layer of activity this year with our Christmas Tree Festival and openings. To coincide with the first weekend of Advent and the celebrations in Redruth, we decided to open our Christmas Tree festival on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th November, as well as on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons throughout December. Our small but dedicated congregation have all contributed toward making this an enjoyable and successful time.

Our twelve trees, which are up for the duration of Advent and Christmas, have been decorated by different organisations within the parish. The enthusiasm which was shown by these organisations has led to new links being made and old ones being re-established. We have had a steady stream of visitors on our open days; some new, some planned and some by chance. It has been rewarding and invigorating to embark on this activity as another way of opening the church to the community.

One of the links that St Euny has with our local community is through the Cornish Language. A Christmas Carol Service in Cornish is held at St Euny on the first Sunday after Christmas each year. This year it falls on 1st January, to be held in the afternoon at 3.00pm, and the service sheets will be bilingual in Cornish and English. One of our trees has been decorated by the Kowethas (the fellowship of the Cornish Language) and you can see the familiar phrases and words that we use at Christmas translated into our ancient home language. For those who are interested, there is a monthly 'Cornish TV' programme, called 'An Mis' (The month) at which our Christmas trees will be seen embellishing the news articles. This can be seen online at <https://anradyo.com/>

The Christingle Service at St Euny took place in the afternoon of Sunday 11th December. Open to all, this is especially attractive to children and we used the Children's Society guidance with a retiring collection for the Children's Society. Adults were as enthusiastic as children, with a Christingle being created by everyone in the congregation. This service has not been held for some time at St Euny and proved very popular, led by Deacon Chris and Jason our Reader.

All are welcome to our Christmas openings and it would be lovely to see you. One of the wreath-making workshops has taken place with and a most enjoyable time had by all. The next was on 17th December.

Wednesday afternoons at St Euny see the 'Open Café event, which welcomes anyone who is interested to come along for fellowship and refreshments in a warm space. Open Cafe has been a workshop for the Christmas event over recent weeks and we will look at projects that support the church for the New Year. This is an optional part of the afternoon. Due to a wedding booked for 21st December, there will be no Open Cafe then or on December 28th but we will re-open on 4th January 2023 and look forward to meeting again then.

At last the plastering of the ceiling at the south west end of the arcade between the nave and south aisle is underway. We hope to see the end of the scaffolding before Christmas and look forward to having one more maintenance job completed!

Linda Beskeen

St. Andrew's Pencoys with Four Lanes Methodist Church
'FLAPJACK'

Worshipping, praying and working together as 'One in Christ' St. Andrew's Church remains open daily from about 10am-4pm with optional Covid-safe precautions in place

The members of Flapjack wish everyone a very happy and blessed Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year in 2023.

The Will Keating Concert on 29th November was well attended and a great success, enjoyed by all who came.

The First Sunday Evening Event on 4th December was a Taizé Service, when £100 was raised to support victims of AIDS. Our grateful thanks go to Fran, Pip and James for their beautiful playing on flute, violin and guitar, which added a lovely atmosphere to this candlelit event. The next event will be an **Epiphany Carol Service** in **St. Andrew's Pencoys** at **6pm** on **Sunday 1st January**, to which everyone is welcome.

Following this service, the joint congregation will celebrate **all Sunday morning services** at the **Methodist Church**, at **11.15am** during the cold weather, hopefully returning to St. Andrew's for Easter on 9th April. The Wednesday and third Sunday monthly evening services of Holy Communion will continue to be held at St. Andrew's at 6 pm unless otherwise advised.

Flapjack services and events during **January** will be:

'Warm Wednesday' community project, each Wednesday, 2-5pm Methodist Church.

Said Holy Communion each Wednesday at 6pm St. Andrew's, Pencoys.

Sunday 1st January: Benefice Covenant H.C. Service with Revd. Keith Osborn at Four Lanes Methodist Church, 11.15am when we hope members of our sister Anglican churches will join us. This is a very moving and meaningful service, a good start for the New Year. **Lighthouse Christmas Party**, young people's event, 3 – 5pm at the Methodist Church.

Saturday 7th January: Quiz in Pencoys Hall, 7pm £1 per person (please bring your own refreshments)

Sunday 8th January: Flapjack Family Event at Four Lanes Methodist Church, 11.15am with Lighthouse (Young people's project, parents and carers welcome). Holy Communion, Methodist Church, 12.30pm.

Sunday 15th January: Methodist Service 11.15am Holy Communion at St. Andrew's 6pm

Saturday 21st January: Games (Bingo) Evening, 6-8pm Pencoys Hall £3 pp

Sunday 22nd January: Flapjack Holy Communion at the Methodist Church, 11.15am

Saturday 28th January: Bangers & Mash Methodist Church from 11am

Sunday 29th January: Breakfast Service 9.30am Methodist Church and **Benefice H.C. Service, St. Stephen, Treleigh 10.30 am.** Teatime Celebration, Pencoys Hall, 4-5pm

Our thanks go to Fr. Peter for the pioneering Pets' Carol Service at St. Andrew's Pencoys on 11th December, which was very well attended and enjoyed by many dogs (principally greyhounds) and their owners, We are also grateful to everyone who has exhibited a Christmas tree in our Exhibition, giving the church a wonderful festive atmosphere. Please arrange for your trees to be removed by 5th January. Thank you.

Jill Tolputt

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER



Christchurch remains open 10.00am – 4.00pm and Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday at 9.30am, except on the second Sunday when an informal all age event (CHAMP) is held and Holy Communion 11.00am and follows the Prayer Book rite. The third Sunday is a Communion with new music.

TOASTY TUESDAYS: In response to the church and government initiatives both locally, and nationally Christchurch Hall plans to be open every Tuesday afternoon from 1.00pm – 4.00pm. Soup (which was AMAZING!!) bread, tea and coffee etc. will be available as well as games and chat!! This links in with the **OPEN PANTRY** which has been available since the covid lockdowns.

WARM WEDNESDAYS: A similar response has been put in place by the FLAPJACK community who will open the Methodist Chapel in Four Lanes every Wednesday afternoon from 2.00pm – 5.00pm. This again links with the **OPEN PANTRY** at St Andrew's, Pencoys.

CHRISTMAS AT CHRISTCHURCH

As this article is written, the congregation and the community it serves is still looking forward to Christmas!! The season started early with **SOCK 5** and almost £400.00 was raised. The SOCK drawer is being tidied up, so watch out for new dates to support Christchurch. It is hoped that all the other Christmas events and services went well ... TEAM CHRISTCHURCH will have made sure of that!! Carols, saxophones, a crib, a beautiful tree, Masses and much more Christchurch had it all, including its Patronal Festival with a journey through the past!!

A ROCK NATIVITY

The 'Don't Stop Believing' Youth Theatre Group which is part of the life of Christchurch is working hard on this project which will go into residential settings AFTER Christmas. It will also be performed in Christchurch for all the Benefice.

Finally, may God bless you in 2023; may you, your family and friends have peace and hope

FP

ST ANDREW REDRUTH

The past few weeks have been very busy at St Andrew's. Our annual Christmas Market exceeded expectations in terms of fund raising with over £1,800 being made for church funds. Choosing two of the wettest and windiest days in the year seems to have had no impact on the numbers willing to support the church on this first weekend of Advent. Many thanks go to all the stall holders, and especially to Lez and her team of helpers who came together to make it happen.

The following Friday saw the return of the Randoms who filled the crypt with laughter and entertainment in a sell-out performance, featuring well known pantomime characters, seasonal music and acts.

December also saw the church at the centre for the Christmas Nativity Services of Trewirgie School, but unfortunately the planned Redruth School Carol Service had to be cancelled due to staff sickness. Trewirgie is now so large that two evening events were held for the Junior School. It was lovely to see the children so engaged in their rendering of the Nativity story with modern songs side by side with well know favourite of the late nineteenth century, 'Away in a Manger'.

The Posada started its journey on Advent Sunday, 27th November, when the wood figurines so beautifully carved by David Doble were blessed and sent out into the parish. The homes in the parish represent the inn ('posada' is the Spanish word for 'inn') at which Mary and Joseph rested when the baby Jesus was born.

Messy Church Christmas event was well attended and many creative hands were put to work making Christmas decorations that illustrated aspects of the nativity story, before tucking into a hot-dog and pizza supper. It is reassuring to see the continuing popularity of this activity in narrating the Christian meaning of Christmas.

On 15th December the Annual Carol Service of the Old Cornwall Society was hosted at St Andrew, Redruth. This service featured Cornish Carols, many of which were composed by musicians from Redruth that have had a revival in popularity, largely due to the hard work of Hilary Coleman who leads the Red River Singers and Redruth Carol Choir. Mulled wine and mince pies were served after the service.

Continuing a long-established tradition at St Andrew's, children from across the parish and benefice are invited to a specially designed children's service on Christmas Eve. For many this has become an annual start to the celebration of Christmas and we hope to welcome children and their families again this year.

Tiddlers held their Christmas Party on the morning of Thursday 16th December with a guest appearance of the man with the white beard and red cloak. Our toddler group parents and carers have been a particularly friendly and supportive group over the past year and several have enjoyed participating in and supporting wider activities in the church.

We look forward to next year, to the continued work of the church in the Community and the ability to welcome everyone to our church.

Linda Beskeen

FROM THE REGISTERS

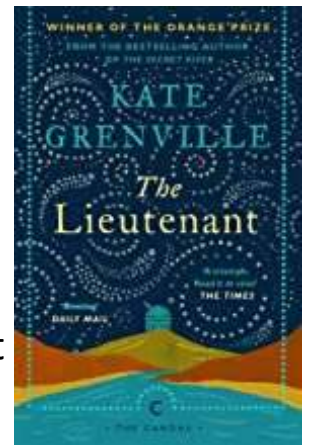
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BOOK CLUB

Book club next meets on 3 February to discuss
The Lieutenant, by Kate Granville

This is an historical novel loosely following the experiences of William Dawes, an officer of the Royal Marines who was on the 1788 First Fleet from England to the New South Wales colony. There he sets up an observatory to chart the stars, but this country will prove far more revelatory than the stars above!



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Margaret Saville*

CARNMARTH NORTH DEANERY

The Licensing of Revd Graham Adamson as Deanery Evangelist Enabler will take place at St Paul's, Chacewater on 26 January 2023 at 7.00pm and the re-licensing of Revd Caspar Bush as Rural Dean will also take place. Bishop Hugh will officiate. All are welcome to attend.

A Light in the Darkness

by Sheila Gannaway

As darkness falls, instinctively, We reach out, for the light,
To guide us through the dangers, For comfort in the night,
To free us from the power of dark, That steals the light away,
Without it life feels, cold and lonely, Empty, formless, grey.

And so it is, in spirit terms, When facing, 'darkest hour',
We reach out, for the Holy Light, To help us, with His Power,
To guide us through the dangers, For comfort in our plight,
To free us from the power of dark, To show us what is right ...

The source of Light, The Father, Is reflected, by The Son,
Through the beam, The Holy Spirit, To become, The Three in One.
This light with Love, is sent for all, Redeeming, sine of Cain,
Once banished from God's presence, Shines, to guide us Home again.

But on the way, the rays, as 'dust', Show up our darker side,!
Impatience! Hate! Aggression! Envy! Selfishness! And Pride!
And as, when turning on a light, The dark, seems darker still!
We see how far we've fallen, In our battle for self will!

Then when, the time that comes to all, The Book is opened wide,
The truth revealed! Did we obey, Our light or darker side?
If turned away from darkness, And God's Will, we obey,
Our eyes become accustomed, To this, Right and Brighter way

So when His Countenance, we see, Won't turn away in fright!
Won't shield our eyes, in darkness But, Behold, The Lord of Light!

My Way to Compostella

Len Cunningham

It's the morning of the 18th of April and we are on our way. A road trip to Exeter Airport courtesy of Chris and a flight to Barcelona via Flybe. The flight was not fully booked and Andrew and I were asked by a flight attendant to sit on opposite sides of the plane in the emergency exit row by the door, in case of an emergency, a whole row of seats and extra room for us both! We were met by Alan, Chris's brother, as we planned to stay with him that night and he was to take us to the train station the next day. I was looking forward to a relaxing afternoon sitting in the sun with a cold beer. How wrong was I? As a seasoned Pyrenees walker he had a hill walk planned out for us. We did get a beer and a lovely Catalan meal at the end of the day. The 19th saw us on a train to Pamplona on a Spanish high speed train which took two and a half hours to get there in comfort and style. We then had to make our way to the Bus station which turned out to be a route march in itself. Here we were looking for the Autobus station. We passed it twice because we were looking at road level, no one told us it was underground. A two hour wait for the bus was spent by having lunch and guessing who were to be our fellow Pilgrims. We met a young American couple, she wanted to do the Camino but not on her own, he gave up his job to accompany her. He had in his bag a bottle of Bacardi rum which he intended to drink when he got to Santiago. One of the other Peregrinos was a small slightly built South Korean girl who turned out to be the fastest girl on two legs. More about them both later.

The bus came, we got on and arrived in St Jean de Pied Port around 5pm, found our accommodation for the night, then went to register in the Pilgrims office. All pilgrims are expected to do this so that a record is kept of who is starting and from where. It was here that we were advised that there had been heavy snow on the mountains a couple of days before and if we take the Route Napoleon to be extra careful as someone had died two days previously on the mountain. A very sobering point on which to end our day.

REDRUTH PCC

Since January 2022, St Andrew Redruth, St Euny and St Andrew Pencoys, combined to become Redruth PCC. The separate bank accounts for these churches are now no longer in use; any payments for these churches should now be made to:-

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INCREASE IN COST OF FIVE ALIVE

In view of the current increases in the cost of living especially in relation to energy costs it has been necessary to increase the yearly subscription to £8 which is the first increase since 2019. The cover price remains at £1 per copy. We hope you will still continue to support us in 2023 Subscriptions are due in November/December in advance of the January 2023 edition being published.

WINDOW CLEANING AT ST ANDREW REDRUTH



Thanks to Nick Roseby, who did such an excellent job. His email address, should anyone wish to enquire on his services, is theglassguysw1@gmail.com

EXCERPTS FROM A DAILY JOURNAL

New Zealand, continued, by Michael Tangye

Dec 2nd 1995 En-route to the Otago Peninsula, an area renowned for its wild life, we passed 'Pendarves' and 'Redruth' before joining a group on a safari whose guide recalled two of our daughters visiting in the past. An area of tidal lagoons, surf beaches and dunes, colourful with carpets of lupins. We walked at close range to huge Hookers. Sea lions, the bulls dozing with cows beside small Blue Penguins. On another beach were forty more Hookers—quite a spectacle! We watch huge albatrosses with their 3 metre plus wing span, glide aimlessly around us, whilst sea lions fought in deep rock pools.

At dusk we sat quietly on the dunes watching Yellow-Eyed penguins leave the surf and waddle up to their roosting sites.

At the Settler's Museum is a photograph of John Tregarthen whose son Sir Eruera Tirikatene was the first Ratana Labour MP. His daughter is the current head of the Ratana Church in South Island.

Dec 4th By touring bus to Milford Sound where numerous coaches spill out their wealthy passengers and transfer them to impressive ferries to view Mitre Peak with its 1694 metre summit from which waterfalls cascade—we ventured beneath one for the experience!

At Queenstown we found accommodation on a hill summit with an incredible view of the lake below. Once a gold-mining town it retains a steamer of 1912 which once transported miners, many Cornish, to and fro across the lake. Another mining area, 'St Just Mount' lies up river. In the local cemetery I noticed a tall granite Cornish cross marking the grave of 'Joseph Lyle of Bonython, Cury, Cornwall who died at Queenstown April 24 1921 aged 88 yrs.' He was obviously wealthy as I had noticed artist John Gully had painted a view of 'Bonython' in 1870.

(Later, on our return to Cornwall I wrote to the then owner of the Bonython Estate, at Cury Cross Lanes, who had also been told of the grave by another person from Cornwall on holiday, Joseph Lyle had won the Emperor's gold medal for single oars during the Paris Exhibition competition on the Seine, and also rowed for Trinity College when at Cambridge. He met his wife and was married when on board ship on the way to New Zealand. Once there he became a barrister of criminal law and a successful race-horse breeder.)

Dec 10th Returned to North Island. To the Bay of Islands an area of deserted beaches backed by dunes flanked with scarlet pohutukawa trees, flame red. We climbed to the highest point, once a formidable Maori Pa, a fortress with circular defensive walls of wood.

Dec 11th At the attractive little village of Russell the Pastor of the Baptist Church is the Rev Trethowan. Here also is New Zealand's oldest church, a building of wood, Christchurch built in 1836.

We returned to Auckland on Dec 14th, with various visits to hot springs and numerous other venues. Our most unusual experience was eating a Christmas dinner on a really hot sunny day with carols being broadcast in the streets! We were later so glad to return to Cornwall and the family on Christmas Eve.

GARDENING ANGEL

A man and his secateurs went out to work today
To clear a popular walker's path that was along the way.
The brambles were always snagging everybody's clothes
And even scratched a poor little dachshund's doggie nose.

He pulled, snipped and raked and cleared the land
Getting several awful scratches on both of his hands.
The path is now a pleasure for us all to walk along
With all the debris and dangers completely gone.

But where has it all gone – you do not have to look far
Into the back of his very special, little blue car.
He said today that he was carrying out his civic duty
To turn this popular path back into a local beauty.

His civic duty does not stop there
As around St Andrew's Churchyard he also takes care.
His cousin lives in Australia thousands of miles away
And would say 'well done' on this which is her birthday.

Thank you 'Mr ????' for the job that you have done
Please now rest at home, perhaps with a saffron bun.

From a very grateful walker
Anon



ThurstanHoskin

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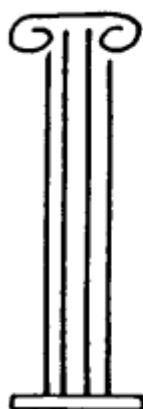


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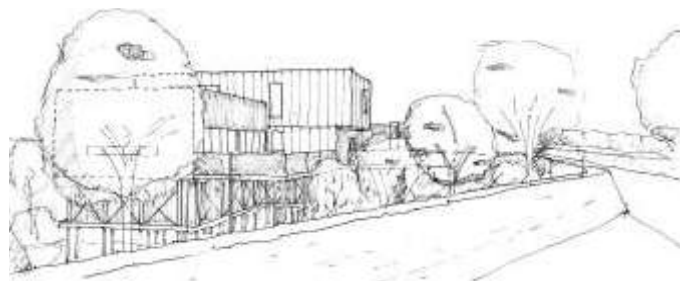
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