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Easter Season

I write this on Holy Saturday, that most curious of days while we wait after the trauma of Christ's Passion for his glorious resurrection. And though by the time you read this Easter Day will be long gone, I make no apology for dwelling on the theme of Easter because of course the season of Easter lasts throughout the month of May this year, and beyond! Remembering the resurrection of Christ is far too important to be over all in a day. New life that we see most wonderfully in the risen Jesus is ours to rejoice in every day. God is still making things new today! Easter is so much more than the remembrance of that day that Jesus rose from the grave. That's why I rather like the fact that the date of Easter moves around each year, because in a small way it reminds us that the power of God that raised Christ from the dead is not something we contain neatly in a box. That power is at work and active in the world today, and God invites us to notice what God's up to and join in with it!

Annual Meetings

During April we have had all our annual church meetings in the benefice, and while they are still relatively fresh in our minds I wanted to write here of my thanks to all those who have worked so hard in the past year to do their part in sustaining the life of our churches. It is truly a labour of love, and writing as one who does church work for a living I am in awe of the effort that many people put into these roles completely voluntarily.

Thank you too to those who have agreed to serve on our church councils in the coming year, and especially to those who have taken on (again, in most cases!) the roles of churchwardens and other officers. There are still some vacancies on some councils, and we don't need to wait till next year to fill those. Sometimes we know that there are willing people prepared to fill these roles, but they don't wish to appear too forward in offering themselves. If that is you, please do have a quiet word with someone who you trust about this. A great way into these ministries is to shadow someone for a year or two, and really that could start any time.

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

Revd Graham talks to Helen Putt

There are not many people who do what Helen does for a living, and as a young woman even fewer. Helen works for Bernard Williams Funerals. I ask her how she came to be working there, and wonder if that was a silly question, as Helen is the daughter of Richard Putt, the Funeral Director.

“That wasn’t the original plan” says Helen, who wanted to go into teaching and had a huge interest in climate resource management. It turned out that taking a break from studying was right for her though, so she asked her dad if he had any casual work going in the office. That office happened to be Leverton’s, a London funeral company with a history stretching back 200 years. I’m told that this is a company with a royal seal of approval and has handled some of the biggest funerals this country has seen in recent years.

Helen moved from answering the phones and office admin to other duties, and tells me how she very quickly got into all aspects of funeral work – and started to develop a passion for it. “It gets you, and it’s a calling. You’ve got to be called to it really”.

Helen tells me how once, during a coffin-shouldering practice at Leverton’s, some of the team played a prank on her and she ended up being shut in a coffin and left, for a laugh, in the back of a hearse... That’s enough to test anyone’s strength of calling!

But soon Helen’s mum and dad were to trade the busy world of London for the Cornish pace of life and moved down here about 3 years ago, and Helen joined them in 2017. How is the work different here I wonder?

Helen describes it as more personal, more human, and more than a nine-to-five job that you can switch off at the end of the day. It’s a whole life. And Helen is happy that here in Cornwall, unlike London, there is time to spend with the families who she has got to know well over time. “Here it is much less anonymous” explains Helen, “and more rewarding because it is a service in the heart of the community.” But our culture doesn’t think about death enough, we just shut it away as being something morbid. We should each face the fact that, as Helen puts it, “every day is a gift; we’re not entitled to tomorrow”.

But Helen readily admits that the funeral industry could do more to dispel the myths surrounding death and funerals. “It’s all behind a velvet curtain, pulled shut and made mysterious. But planning your own funeral won’t make it come around any quicker! It will make it a lot easier though, for everyone, especially your closest loved ones. It is reassuring to not have to worry about them worrying.” But, as she says, ‘a lot of people won’t go to a funeral until it’s one for someone very close’ Helen would encourage everyone to go to one, and it will take the sting out of it, and help people to get used to the format at least and see that it is nothing to be frightened of. Helen talks about a friend in London who went through that process of not wanting to go, but had her arm gently twisted by Helen’s insistence. And so, her friend discovered that it was nothing to be scared of after all and was grateful that Helen has persevered to get her to go.

What makes for a good funeral though, I wonder, as Helen describes seeing acrobats and jugglers at the funeral of someone from a circus, a motorcyclist’s coffin covered in sunflowers, and I remember my own grandparents’ horse-drawn hearses.

But Helen’s answer, perhaps unsurprisingly, has little to do with any of those things. A good funeral is simply one that captures something of the person’s life. “It can’t be a carbon copy of the funeral that went before.”

As well as many funerals which Helen remembers for their innovation, there have also been those which have just been incredibly tragic. Helen describes how you have to put on a brave face. "You have to maintain a professional distance and get on with it. But there are times that that is just impossible." And Helen recalls driving home in tears after work: "you can't *not* feel grief" And there are many times when Helen has known that it is her faith in God that has helped her through.

I ask to hear a bit more about how Helen came to faith. She was brought up in church but even though she drifted away as a teenager, she never really stopped believing. Then, one day last year, out of the blue, she was sitting at home watching a film with her mum and was overcome with a conviction, "I have to go to church!"

Helen goes on to recommend a book to me that was influential to her in that time. She'd been given it at her own confirmation but for years it had just sat on her shelf. "How to be a Bad Christian... And a Better Human Being" is by Dave Tomlinson. "It's really helped me to see that it is fundamentally just about Jesus; get rid of the religion and the churchy stuff that gets in the way, and hear what he really says." It's a message of love, grace and inclusion which all need to hear. "It really shouldn't be more complicated than that!"

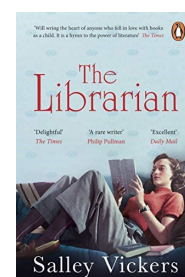
Helen is clearly very passionate about helping people with all issues around death and dying. She tells me about "Grave Talk", a Church of England initiative to help with this. It is a chance for everyone to think and talk about death, dying and funerals; to ask questions and to wonder together. To discover that it is not all dark, doom and gloom, and that when it comes to funeral that there are lots of options and choice available to each individual.

Grave Talk is not billed as a bereavement group or grief counselling, but an open space for friendly chat about a topic which – let's face it – we don't want to confront. But, as Helen puts it, "talking about it won't make it happen sooner!"

So... watch this space! Grave Talk will be coming to a café near you this September...

Book Club Friday 3 May *The Librarian*

Sylvia Blackwell, a young woman in her twenties, moves to East Mole, a quaint market town in middle England, to start a new job as a children's librarian. But the apparently pleasant town is not all it seems. Sylvia falls in love with an older man - but it's her connection to his precocious young daughter and her neighbours' son which will change her life and put them, the library and her job under threat. How does the library alter the young children's lives and how do the children fare as a result of the books Sylvia introduces them to?



ST ANDREW REDRUTH

Thew Creest dassorez! ¹ Eastertide is being well and truly celebrated at St Andrew's through a diverse range of events, but a common theme surrounds them and that is, 'new life'.

New life in our building - We held our annual spring clean on Saturday 13th April: members of our congregation met to polish pews, wash windows and clean carpets with a real spirit of community. A huge thanks to all those who gave their time to help with this event.

New life in our committees - Once all was done and dusted thoughts turned to spring cleaning the business of our church as we held our Annual General Meeting (AGM). We reflected on the past year and examined our accounts. People were nominated and elected to our DCC to breathe new life into the running of the church. Our churchwardens were also re-elected.

New life in our youngsters - Our Tiddlers Toddler group continues to thrive as part of our offering to the broader community. We are delighted to say that the number of children and their parents joining us for creative and imaginative play on Thursday mornings is increasing. As such, we are looking for volunteers to help out with our art activities, door monitoring and serving coffee and cake. If you are available and would like to be involved, please contact our Churchwardens or visit the Tiddlers' Facebook page.

Toast is our social group for children in years six and seven. It offers fun, friendship and a space to talk and is supported by a caring and creative team. These sessions continue to be successful and well attended.

New life in our worship - On Palm Sunday we hosted another Messy Church event! More than twenty children and young people (and their families) joined us in celebrating and learning about the Easter Story in new and unusual ways. There was gardening, baking, symbolic dessert making, hand and feet painting (and washing!), collage-ing, bag and egg decorating, and even Jesus rising and hobby donkey creating and making! After all that it was up to the church for some singing, thinking, cartoon watching and praying before heading back down for some fish-finger sandwich munching! A great time was had by all!

En weer thewa dassorez! ²

¹ Christ is risen!

² Indeed he is risen!

James Thurston

Mothering Sunday Collections

As a result of retiring collections in our churches on Mothering Sunday and the following week and adding to this the funds held for REEF I have sent a cheque for £750 to DEC Emergency Appeal for use in Mozambique. Thank you to everyone who contributed

Richard Robinson

ST EUNY

We were shocked to hear that Revd. Deb was unwell and hope that by the time this magazine is published that she is feeling much better. We thank all the team for ensuring that our services have been covered.

Church life has continued as spring has sprung.

Mothering Sunday was celebrated on the 5th Sunday in March. We are thankful to Geraldine, Kathy and Jane for providing the beautiful posies which were presented to everyone.

Revd. Caspar Bush was on hand to welcome a group of children from Trewirgie Infant School who were given a tour of the church.

We were delighted to welcome Bishop Philip when he paid a visit to the deanery, spending time with our Outreach Worker, Clare Brown and the Open Cafe volunteers and guests. It was obvious that Bishop Philip enjoyed playing the ukulele alongside the St. Euny Ukes. We hope that he will visit us again.



The fundraising for the Public Access Defibrillator has gone so well that we are beginning look towards confirming our supplier and completing the necessary faculty paperwork for installation to happen. Thanks must be given to everyone who has made this possible. We still have a bit of a way to go, but we have been thrilled with the support of so many people. We plan to list our sponsors on a sign attached to the mounting for the defibrillator.

The churchyard is bursting into bloom, and the apple tree which we were gifted as part of our environmental efforts has taken root and is growing steadily. We are waiting with interest to see if our bee box has attracted any new residents.

The council have tended to the mature trees along the boundary wall. Some have been lopped and a few have been taken down completely. This was very carefully done and we are pleased to see that some new saplings have been planted to replace the old. One unexpected benefit is that there is a stunning view over Carn Brea, the like of which hasn't been visible for a while.

As Easter is late this year we shall provide a report on our experiences in next month's magazine.

Lucie Rogers

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER

Film Club

We showed Oscar-winning *Bohemian Rhapsody* at our March Film Club and we were all very moved by Freddie Mercury's story. Our next Film Club will be Friday 26th April (before issue of Five Alive) and we are showing *Testament of Youth*. The film is based on the First World War memoir of Vera Brittain and features a stellar cast of actors. Doors open at 6:30pm and the film starts at 7pm. Film Club nights are always the last Friday of each month.

Quiz and Supper Night

On Saturday 13th April, Christchurch hosted a Quiz and Supper Evening, which was well attended by our own congregation and friends from the Benefice. Thank you to Father Peter for setting the questions.

Easter Celebrations – Part 1

At the time of writing, we are nearing the end of a busy Holy Week. We began the week with our Palm Sunday procession from Lanner Square following a "colt", otherwise known as Charlie. Charlie was well behaved throughout and was rewarded with a large bowl of apples at the end of the procession. After the procession, we came together for our monthly CHAMP service and made a palm tree of prayers.



On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we celebrated the Stations of the Cross with Holy Communion. Our friends from Pencoys and Four Lanes Methodist churches joined us for the Seder meal and foot washing on Maundy Thursday. There were three Good Friday services of meditation, readings and hymns held throughout the day, beginning at Christchurch, then Four Lanes Methodist Church and finally at Pencoys.

Julia Knight-Bennett

St. Andrew's Church Pencoys

with Four Lanes United Methodist Church 'Flapjack'

Please note that the church is open daily, usually from 10 am to 5 pm

LAMP : We thank everyone who came to the First Sunday Evening Event on 7th April, and Jason Hoole-Jackson, for his very interesting talk about how the Red Cross works with people needing its help in the local community. Jason is a volunteer with the Red Cross, devoting much of his spare time to this project and we thank everyone who supported this with donations totalling £60. The next Event, to be held at 6 pm on Sunday, 5th May at Christchurch Lanner, will feature and support the new proposed Parish Nursing Project.

At the church's AVM on 14th April, Jill Tolputt was re-elected as Churchwarden for the coming year.

Pencoys Church Hall renovations : We have received an estimate for the cost of the improvements and this will be considered by the new Management Committee after Easter. At present the outlook is optimistic and it is hoped that work will be able to proceed in the near future.

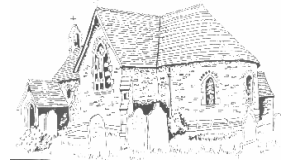
LAMP Spring Bank Holiday outing : this will be at Country Skittles on Monday, 27th May, arriving at 5.30 pm, bowling at 6 pm and eating at 7 pm. Although this is organised by LAMP it is open to EVERYONE, so if you're interested in joining us, please contact Fr. Peter to book your place/s soon. Supper menus will be available for pre-ordering meals, as requested by Country Skittles.

Please note that *Bible Studies* will be held at 4.30 pm on **Monday, 13th May** (instead of on Bank Holiday Monday, the 27th), at Jane's house, Trelowen, next to St. Euny Church, and on **Thursday, 30th May**, Ascension Day, at the same time and venue.

On Thursday, 30th May, **ASCENSION DAY**, one of the Major Festivals of the Christian year, we shall be celebrating with our usual High Mass at 7 pm, to which we invite everyone. There will be a special Ascension Day cake to be enjoyed, and we look forward to seeing you.

Jill Tolputt

ST STEPHEN TRELEIGH



Treleigh had great pleasure in welcoming Revd Deb Grigg on Sunday 24th March when she took her first service with us. She was assisted by Len Cunningham as Eucharist Minister, with readings by Keith Naylor. We are, however, so sorry to hear of her health problem since then and send her our very best wishes. The thoughts and prayers of all at Treleigh are with her for a speedy recovery.

Dave and Trish are arranging a rummage sale in aid of the Hall Renovation Fund and this will be held in the hall on Friday May 10th from 1pm-3.30pm. Our intention is to set up the afternoon before so it would be appreciated if you bring your contributions on Sunday 5th of May or on the afternoon we are setting up. Any help on the day, and donations would be much appreciated. Many thanks.

Treleigh Garden Fête is only a handful of weeks away, on July 6th at 2pm in The Hawthorn Garden next to the church. All the usual stalls with music by The Skyliners Band. Donations will be gratefully accepted for the various stalls....bottle, teas, cakes, plants, toys, books, games, bric-a-brac, CD's, DVD's etc. Help will be needed on the day and, as always there will be a job for anyone who is willing.

The first indication of a Fête at Treleigh was in 1909. This took the form of a sale of work held in a marquee which was hired from Mr. Rowe of the Coffee Tavern, and was held in the Vicarage meadow during the summer. The aim of this was to raise funds for new cassocks for the choir boys and to clear a deficit on the year's accounts. The money raised was £33. I calculated this on Google and that would be worth nearly £4000 in today's money! The fete in 1917 was to raise money for the much needed renovation of the organ. The Vicar, Revd Mugford, said that as it was war time it would be a very low key affair. However, everyone rallied and it turned out to be anything but, with a sale of work, the school children performing sketches, vocalists, dancing, and music by Mrs. F. Thomas string band. There is no mention of the sum raised but the organ was renovated later that year.

Tricia Rowe (01209 218416)

May				
1st	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 meeting
		2pm	Tremethick	Hymn singing
		3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 & Above)
		7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
2nd	Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
		9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
		9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & HC
		11am	St Euny	Yoga*
		1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café Session with Clare Brown
3rd	Fr	10.15am	12 Mount Carbis Gdns	Book Club
		7pm	St Stephen Treleigh	Healing Service
4th	Sa	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
		7pm	Pencoys Hall	First Saturday Quiz
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5th	Su	3rd Sunday of Easter		
		9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Sung Holy Communion
		9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung HC with Children's Sunday Club
		11am	Four Lanes Chapel	FLAPJACK Holy Communion
		11.15am	St Euny	Holy Communion, followed by review of 4th Sunday Services. Open to all.
		11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
		3pm-5pm	Four Lanes Chapel	Lighthouse
		6pm	Christchurch Lanner	LAMP First Sunday Evening Event
		7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Cornwall International Male Choral Concert
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6th	Mo	No Crafty club or 6pm Service at St Andrew Redruth		
7th	Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
		11am	St Euny	Yoga*
		2pm	Glencoe	Hymn singing
8th	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 meeting
		3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 & Above)
		7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
9th	Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
		9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
		9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & HC
		11am	St Euny	Yoga*
		1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café Session with Clare Brown
10th	Fr	10am	Heartlands	Men's Breakfast - Red River Café
		1pm-3.30pm	Treleigh Hall	Rummage Sale in aid of the Treleigh Hall Renovation Fund
11th	Sa	12 noon	Pencoys Hall	Jumblefood
		4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*

12th Su 4th Sunday of Easter

9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	CHAMP All Age Monthly Praise
9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Informal Worship with Holy Communion
11am	St Andrew Pencoys	FLAPJACK Family Event
11.15am	St Euny	Alternative Holy Communion
11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Sung Holy Communion
12.30pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Said Holy Communion
3pm	Christchurch Lanner	Said Holy Communion

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13th Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	4.30pm	Trelowan	Monday Bible Study
	7.30pm	St Andrew Redruth	Archdeacon's Visitation, to swear in new Church Wardens, 2019-2020
14th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	7pm	St Mary's Portreath	Deanery Synod Meeting
15th 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 meeting
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 & Above)
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
16th Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & HC
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café Session with Clare Brown
17th Fr			
18th Sa	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
	2pm	Christchurch Lanner	Jumble Sale

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19st Su 5th Sunday of Easter

9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Family Holy Communion
9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung HC with Children's Sunday Club
11am	Four Lanes Chapel	FLAPJACK Service of the Word
11.15am	St Euny	Holy Communion
11.15am	St Stephen Treleigh	Holy Communion
6pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Sung Holy Communion

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20th Mo	1.30pm	Crypt	Crafty People
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
21st Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	2pm	The Green	Hymn singing

22nd 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 meeting
	3pm	Crypt	TOAST (Year 6 & Above)
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
23rd Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	9.15am	Crypt	Tiddlers Toddlers (to 11.15am)
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & HC
	11am	St Euny	Yoga*
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café Session with Clare Brown
24th Fr			
25th Sa	8.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Movable Feast of Prayer (until 12 noon)
	11am	Four Lanes Chapel	Bangers & Mash
	4pm	Christchurch Lanner	DSBeenies*
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26th Su	6th Sunday of Easter		
	9.30am	Christchurch Lanner	Sung Holy Communion
	9.30am	St Andrew Redruth	Sung HC 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
	4pm	Pencoys Hall	Family Tea Time celebration
	6pm	St Andrew Redruth	Breathing Space
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27th Mo	No Crafty Club or 6pm Service at St Andrew Redruth		
	5.30pm	Country Skittles	LAMP Spring Bank Holiday Monday outing to Country Skittles. Arrive at 5.30pm, bowl 6pm, eat at 7pm. (Book with Father Peter)
28th Tu	8.30am	St Andrew Pencoys	Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Euny	Holy Communion
29th 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 meeting
	2pm	Crossroads	Hymn singing
	7.30pm	St Euny	Tower Bell Practice
30th Th	8.30am	St Euny	Quiet Morning Prayer
	9.30am	St Stephen Treleigh	Morning prayer & HC
	1.30-3.30pm	St Euny	Open Café Session with Clare Brown
	4.30pm	Trelowan	Bible Study
	7pm	St Andrew Pencoys	Ascension Day Holy Communion
31st Fr	2pm	Christchurch Lanner	Snack and Chat
	7pm	Christchurch Lanner	Film Club

Redruth Team Ministry is delighted to support various independent community groups which are marked*

Rev. C. Keith ANDREW 1906 - 1966

I am writing a small story about Keith Andrew, a much loved curate in the Redruth Parish. In spite of his travels within the ministry, he retained a 'soft spot' for the Parish which encouraged him to follow his career often returning here along with his good friend Rev Geoffrey Russell.

To help in writing his story, I would so like to hear any information about Keith's life, be it good or bad, and his involvement with the people of Redruth.

Keith was born in Tuckingmill, Camborne.

In 1937 he was a Reader and also involved in the Scorrier Mission Church.

Keith went to Canterbury for his training and subsequently went to Queensland, Australia as a Bush Brother. In 1950 he returned to Cornwall and was the Vicar of St Peter's Church, Flushing.

Keith died while still in the Ministry and was buried in St Mylor Churchyard.

I look forward to the stories.

Juliet Jenkin
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FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS

29 March	2019	Gwen Mills	St Stephen Treleigh
05 April	2019	Selwyn Keith Trevithick	St Andrew Redruth
10 April	2019	Alfred Opie	St Euny
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WEDDINGS

23 March	2019	David John Westaway and Rebecca Jane Chirgwin	St Stephen Treleigh
13 April	2019	Lee Anthoney William Jenkin and Hayley Jane Lanyon	St Stephen Treleigh

New Archdeacon for Cornwall

It has been announced that the Archdeacon of Dorking, the Venerable Paul Bryer, is to be the new Archdeacon of Cornwall.

Archdeacon Paul will move to the diocese and take up his office this summer. Paul has been Archdeacon of Dorking since 2014. After serving a curacy at St Stephen's Tonbridge in the Diocese of Rochester, Paul moved to the Diocese of Guildford in 1994 to become vicar at St Mary's Camberley. In 2001 Paul took up the post of Vicar of St Paul's Dorking, also in Guildford diocese, where he also went on to serve as Rural Dean of Dorking. Since 2015 Paul has represented the diocese on General Synod.

Former teacher

As a former teacher and head of religious studies, Paul has had a lifelong passion for education. Over the past 20 years or so this has particularly been focussed on fostering the aims and ethos of church schools. He has served as a diocesan schools' inspector and as a director of Guildford diocese's Good Shepherd Academy Trust.

Throughout his ministry Paul has explored new ways of being church – particularly relating to discipleship, small groups and fresh expressions. As archdeacon he has helped steer the Diocese of Guildford in a strategic and missional direction, focussing on resourcing and releasing parishes and deaneries for mission and ministry and encouraging initiatives for the health and wellbeing of clergy.

Pilgrimage

Paul and his wife, Fiona, have three children in their twenties, Daniel, Naomi and Jonathan, as well as a springer spaniel called Badger. Paul enjoys a range of sporting activities including squash, badminton, mountain biking, 'prayer running,' rambling and sea kayaking. Long distance walks and pilgrimage have often featured in Paul's life, and he is now looking forward to becoming better acquainted with the Cornish Celtic Way!

Nurtured

Paul said: "Fiona and I have had a love for Cornwall, the church and its people, that has been quietly nurtured over many years. Consequently, I am delighted to be offered the opportunity to serve as Archdeacon of Cornwall and join Bishop Philip at what promises to be a new and exciting chapter in the life of the diocese."

The Bishop of Truro, the Rt Revd Philip Mounstephen, said: "I am very much looking forward to Paul joining us. He has a broad skill set and rich ministerial experience, which will add to and complement that offered by the current members of the Episcopal College. I am sure Paul will also be a strong support to all the clergy within the Archdeaconry of Cornwall, and an asset and blessing to the diocese as a whole.

"We look forward very much to welcoming Paul and Fiona to Cornwall, a place for which they have had a deep love for many years.

Gratitude

"I must also place on record my gratitude to Archdeacon Audrey, who has done an admirable job holding the fort in the west of the diocese with her customary thoughtfulness, diligence and good grace."

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I was so amazed—the party you gave me was awesome. The tables were “partyish” with lovely clothes and exquisite posies on all of them. Lez and Rosemary told me to keep my way and all would be ready on the day so indeed it was. The food was beautifully arranged and was just *‘fabulous’* the sheer work load was obvious.

Lez and Rosemary were in place ready for anything. Lez was called away and Rosemary stayed ready for anything and everything was flawless.

Our Treasurer had changed into a wine waiter and more. I was presented with a magnificent bouquet which enhanced my modest sitting room for days. My thanks to Caspar for saying nice things about me!

The love was palpable and so humbling for me. This was all for me—gifted by my loving friends. What a privilege to be a member of this caring church family. I would like to reciprocate the kindness by praying for you which I shall surely do and I shall remember my party even as I am on my way to Heaven!



Barbara Harris

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Have you or someone you know had a stroke? Volunteer Cornwall are looking for volunteers to help recent stroke patients in their recovery journey. Stroke Befriending volunteers meet with other stroke patients on a regular basis and offer support and encouragement. We have found this can really help people feel less isolated and more connected to their community. Volunteers are supported every step of the way and expenses are refunded.

As a volunteer you can use your experience to help others, receive valuable training and gain skills in befriending. We asked Margaret, one of Volunteer Cornwall's volunteers, what it's like being a Stroke Befriender: "You are doing something positive after something that hasn't been something very pleasant for yourself...I always feel that if you can help someone else it's all worthwhile and you can pass on your knowledge and information to them and hopefully they will gain from it too... I enjoy it very much indeed"

Please get in touch to find out more about becoming a Stroke Befriending volunteer. You can visit www.volunteercornwall.org.uk/how-we-help/health-social-care/stroke-befriending-service, call 01872 266997 or email Jenny Wilkins at jennywilkins@volunteercornwall.org.uk You do not need to have had a stroke to volunteer for this service.



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<<Talkabout>> Cornwall Coastal Footpath Port Isaac to Polzeath © by Tricia Rowe

Our continued walk along the Cornwall Coastal Footpath was the stretch between Port Isaac and Polzeath, and although the weather forecast for the week wasn't particularly good, when the day came, it was a corker.

We left home in beautiful sunshine at 8am and arrived in Polzeath in time to change into our walking boots and have a look around the village before catching the bus to Port Isaac. Polzeath was barely awake when we arrived, just a few people strolling aimlessly across the beach in the morning sunlight. Wet suits were being hung out ready for the day's trade and a few cars were on the beach car park to get the best place before the crowds arrived. We parked at the back in case of a high tide....we have seen that happen!

The bus driver was very chatty with the passengers and as each one got off he said he could remember them when they were children! He stopped at one point, as another bus was passing, and had a quick chat to the other driver. I expect news travels fast in that neck of the woods!

We started walking from Port Isaac at 10am and looking back at the wonderful view towards Bude in the distance we felt the exhilaration of having walked every one of those headlands, every peak and every dip! A marvellous feeling!

Passing through Port Isaac we took photos of Squeeze Belly Alley, less than eighteen inches wide and trips were advertised on a boat named "Winnie the Pooh". Port Isaac is in two halves, the top road and the harbour area. Everything is very higgledy piggledy, with cottages built shoulder to shoulder up the hill as and where they could.

Reaching Pinehaven, a rock strewn inlet we let six walkers overtake us on the 147 steps out of the bay. The last walker commented: "I hope there is a crock of gold at the end of all this!"

As we walk, we plan the book we are going to write on our coastal path experiences and have decided on the strapline : 'This is not a guide book, this is a way of life'. In fact, although we have written two books we haven't written this one yet!

Portquin next and legend has it that all the men of this little village put to sea and were lost in a violent storm. Further on Doyden Castle is a folly which was used as the home of Dr. Dwight Enys in the first series of 'Poldark'.

We once did this walk with our kids, from Polzeath to Port Isaac planning to get the bus back, only to find that not only had we missed the bus but it only ran on a Wednesday! It was a long walk back but with the promise of fish and chips, we made it!! The best fish and chips ever!!

Around Pentire Point and we were heading for Polzeath, where the bucket and spade brigade are busy transforming the sand into castles, kicking a ball around or just lying behind a windbreak, while those in wetsuits are riding the waves. The surf was good. Just wish we had brought our boards. I grew up belly boarding at Polzeath!

Eleven miles walked today....time for a well-earned cuppa!

Memories of Corfu

by Michael Tangye

How nice it was to watch the television series based on the Durrell family; a simple portrayal, free from violence and bad language and filmed on the lovely Greek island, Corfu.

It was in May 1989 that Pam and I visited it for a pleasant fortnight based at the small fishing village of Kassiopi with its views to the dark snow capped mountains of Albania.

My daily journal in which activities both at home and abroad are written now store many memories of the past.

Easter—May 9th 1989. Awoke early and opened the huge shutters. Blinding light poured into the darkness of the bedroom—I felt like Vincent Van Gogh as portrayed in the film 'Lust for Life' when he opened his window in Brittany—there he was faced with apple-blossom, against a vivid blue sky, whilst here the same blue but fronted by a hillside featuring tall green poplar trees and palms mingled with flowers and the red tiled roofs of dwellings. May 10th ... Modern dwellings have replaced some of the more traditional in the old fishing village overlooked by its ancient citadel which once defended the cluster of houses beneath; but set as they are, amidst such luxurious growth, they fail to detract from the overall picture of beauty. Roses, geraniums and arum lilies bloom in profusion, all backed by a variety of palms which spread sword-like fronds, in stark relief against whitened walls where bouganvillia droop flowers of red and purple around shaded doorways where old ladies, black garbed, silently sit and look with narrowed eyes at strangers in their village, now so changed since their childhood.

May 11th ... we later walked to the local store to buy more bottled water. An elderly small Greek with one eye approached us, offering to give us a bottle of his own grape wine; not wishing to offend him we accompanied him to his little cottage nearby. He eventually appeared clutching an old whisky bottle containing the wine—thrust it into my hand and promptly asked me for 300 drachmas! He had only one eye, but he certainly 'saw us coming' and had an eye for business!

May 12th ...Olive groves introduced by the Venetians provide a major industry covering the whole island. Whilst the harvest of one period is gathered, other trees break into blossom. The steep hillsides of limestone feature wide terraces fronted by the same stone; they prevent soil drift, provided a level area and a catchment for rain.

Ladies, both old and young are seen constantly gathering the shining black olives, a task made easier by suspending netting on the branches and on the ground-yet footpaths are still covered with excess. All are taken in baskets to an ancient wooden press powered by a mule, where a proportion of the oil is kept by its operator in exchange for his services.

May 20th ...we walked for several miles to Kalamí a lovely bay surrounded by the usual poplar trees and flowers. At one corner of the bay, built on a small promontory jutting into the turquoise blue waters, stands the 'White House'. It was here amidst such peace and beauty that Laurence Durrell wrote observations of the various wild and insect life, His former dwelling is now a tavern which takes up the ground floor, whilst other rooms are let to tourists.

Today, the building portrayed on the television series is in a less attractive location. No doubt Kassiopi has lost most of its former charm.



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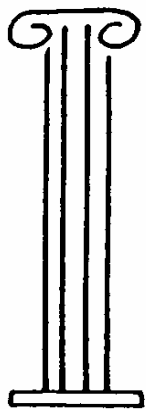
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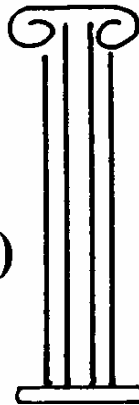
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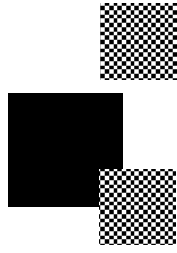
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