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# Rector's notes – NOVEMBER 2022

## Remembering and Remembrance

We are right into the season of Remembering and Remembrance in our churches. In case you wondered, we call it Remembering when we mark the death of our loved ones, especially those who have died in the last year or two. Whereas Remembrance is about the Poppy Appeal, and the Royal British Legion - Remembrance Sunday always being the second Sunday of November.

This year by popular demand we are holding Remembering services in each of our five churches, and also in Four Lanes Chapel – our Flapjack partners – the dates are below (apologies if you missed the St Andrew's one which happened on 16<sup>th</sup> October). The services coming up are:

Treleigh - Sun 30th Oct at 3pm;  
St Euny - Sun 6th Nov at 3pm;  
Christchurch - Sun 6th Nov at 6pm  
Pencoys - Sun 13th Nov at 6pm

Please do come if you want to remember someone you love but who has died and had a funeral somewhere other than this area. It's a chance to give thanks for their life, and to bring our grief to God, however we're feeling at the moment.

In addition to that, this could also be a chance to invite someone you know who doesn't usually come to church, but who is grieving for someone close to them. If you've never been to one of these services, we have a few well-known hymns, poems, a Bible reading, a short address, then the names of those we are remembering will be read out, and everyone will be invited to light a candle.

In addition to these services, at 7pm on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Treleigh we have our joint benefice All Souls service. This is described by the Church of England as 'the commemoration of the faithful departed' – for us that's most likely to be our parents and / or grandparents who may have died many years ago. Prayers for this service remind us that we're still connected with that great group of ordinary Christians who have finished their earthly life, and rest in peace, awaiting the final resurrection of everyone, which we believe will happen at the return of Jesus to be rightful King of the whole world.

May God bless us, and remind us of his goodness and care, in all the remembering we're doing in this season.

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

## **REFLECTIONS**

Whilst pondering what to share this month the only thing that came to mind is something that is happening in my home town with one of my friends. Nigel has been a friend since I came to faith over 14 years ago. We worked together in our church's youth group, went on overseas mission together, and we were part of a close home group together. Nigel and his wife Ruth have been close dear friends for a long time and heavily influential and supportive in my faith walk. Three weeks ago we received the information that Nigel was suddenly taken into hospital where seven tumors had been found on the brain; shattering news for his wife and children and for all those that know him and love him. It is times like these that I realise how far I am from home and old friends, and how powerless I am in these situations.

Over the last few weeks I have been reflecting on what we can do in hard situations, situations where we may feel helpless and useless instead of being helpful and supporting. Where is our faith and our God in these moments? Why do these things happen? On a personal note, I have had some deep gut-wrenching prayers, real, deep calls out to God for help and in my humanity, for God to intervene. However, this isn't my first rodeo, I have seen God pull out miracles saving family members, and on other occasions, I have lost dear, close friends and quite a few. Which, in part, makes these situations harder as I know that He can, and does save some people, whereas others are called home. This is the mystery of faith.

When trying to come to terms with the situation, I am reminded of a couple of things. We have all been here, this is something that is not new and can be seen in our church family, our community, in scripture. The Psalms are full of gut-wrenching cries out to God, 'How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me?'. They are filled with expressions of grief, lament, anger, and even doubt. Honesty, even to the point of anger: "How Long, Lord? Wilt Thou hide Thyself forever?" (Psalm 89). Pete Greig explores the difficulty of these types of situations in his book 'God on Mute' where he talks about coping in these situations, unanswered prayers, naked prayers and God being silent. Pete tells us that it is important that we learn to lament. Jesus Himself was overwhelmed with sorrow, wrestled and cried out to God, begged for another plan, and allowed His friends to see that this was how He felt.

Lamenting is more than a technique for venting emotion. It is one of the fruits of a deepening spiritual life that has learned to stand naked before God without shame or pretence. If I can do anything for my friend it is that I can lament, I can petition a God who listens, who does perform miracles, who has already conquered death. Prayer; simple, honest, prayer is what is needed. This is how we fight our battles, this is our weapon of faith. There is a great contemporary worship song that says, 'it may look like I am surrounded, but I am surrounded by You'. All we have is our faith, and sometimes that is all we need.

May this bring solace to those who may have or be experiencing the same. You are not alone. We are in these moments together and with Christ. Amen.

***Revd Chris Harrigan***

## THE ARCHBISHOP'S DIFFERENCE COURSE

MANY THANKS to Ron. P. who, through his technical skill, enabled both Christchurch and FLAPJACK to engage fully with the five week course. The nineteen participants were totally absorbed by the films and the discussion that followed.

The course focused on three 'habits':

BE CURIOUS / listen to other people's stories, especially those with whom you have a difference

BE PRESENT / showing up, sticking around, learning to encounter others with authenticity

RE-IMAGINE / finding hope and opportunity in the places where we long to see change

In the words of the Archbishop: *DIFFERENCE is a course that explores how we can follow Jesus in a complex and divided world and trying to see and experience transformation through everyday encounters. This can be very hard, as we encounter differences in our relationships, in our communities and in our wider systems and structures. Many of us long to make a difference, but often don't know how to respond or where to start. The course hopes to enable you to cross divides, navigate disagreement and pursue a just and flourishing world.*

Was it chance? The film that the Christchurch showed at the Film Club in October was "Hidden Figures". It was a film set in the 60s when the USA was in a battle with Russia to conquer space. Three Afro-Caribbean women were computer experts, but their amazing knowledge was not valued or wanted. As the film progressed the overt racism they suffered was gradually overcome and the women saved a space expedition from disaster by correcting the re-entry co-ordinates. It was a true story .... please try and watch it sometime!!

On another note!! In this time of remembering those whom we love but see no longer, this quote may help you .....

***"When someone you love becomes a memory; then memory becomes a treasure"***

***God bless you, FP***

## **ST ANDREW REDRUTH**

You might have seen the large and very accomplished pictures of fungi which are decorating the pillars of the arcades at St Andrew's this month. They are the work of pupils at Trewirgie School who have been attending assemblies in church and donating a large number of items for the food bank. This activity originated in 2016 when the September floods damaged some of their buildings and they were unable to fit the junior school into the hall, so asked whether they could use St Andrew's instead. Caspar was pleased to welcome them and that has continued to the present. The whole of the pupil cohort of the junior school (nearly 400) attended in the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup> and eighty year-two arrived on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> with more donations. This was a wonderful contribution from the school and is much welcomed by the Food Bank. Supplies at the Food Bank have been less reliable from the shops & other outlets in recent months, probably due to the increase in the cost of living, so this year's bumper harvest donations from the churches has filled the shelves and prepared them well for the coming cold weather and anticipated increase in demand.

The Advent and Christmas Season is rapidly approaching and St Andrew's is looking forward to the large number of concerts and events planned for November and December. These include the Christmas Market which will take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00am to 4.00pm, a big event at which we hope to welcome many people and sell a variety of beautiful gifts. All support is appreciated, please contact Lez if you can help and look out for further details in the weekly pew sheets. The Christmas Tree Festival will begin at St Andrew's and St Euny at this time, so please do spread the word.

The Randoms are active again for the winter and expecting to perform for our entertainment on the first weekend of December, on Friday evening 2<sup>nd</sup> December, look out for details of tickets and prices to be confirmed soon.

Messy Church for Christmas is planned for the afternoon of Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, in the crypt and in the church. Any help with delivering this would be much appreciated and this is an opportunity to engage with our wider community, so please do encourage anyone you know who might be interested.

Plans are in place for the annual Remembrance Service on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November, to be held at the War Memorial in Victoria Park at 10.45am, followed by a service in the church at 11.30am. We hope for quiet weather.

***Linda Beskeen***

# 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.

## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Christchurch has really benefited from a team of community volunteers who have transformed the area surrounding the church. Weeds have gone, walls have been rebuilt and a new area by the hall has been cleared. The gathered community are so grateful to these volunteers who came for several Wednesdays and worked so hard. **THANKYOU SO MUCH**

## THE FILM CLUB

The Club meets every LAST Friday of each month, and the next film is publicised in the Benefice weekly sheet. Doors open at 6.30pm and the camera is rolling at 7.00pm. The cost is £3.00 and membership for the remainder of the year is £5.00; however, if you join, then the first film you watch is FREE. The interval ice-cream is also FREE!! The Club is very grateful to Geoff K. who was the original camera technician and who has now handed over the camera to Richard KB.

## SOCK (Support Our Christ the King)

The FIFTH SOCK will be held on SATURDAY NOVEMBER 26 from 2pm – 4pm . The event will feature: *St Nicholas, Margaret's Tea Room and a Craft Market.*

PLEASE WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS IN THE SUNDAY SHEET

## MARGARET'S TEA ROOM

This continues in the Church Hall from 2.00pm – 4.00pm on the LAST MONDAY of each month. There lots of tea to drink, cake to eat and buy and a chance to chat!!! **SO, HOPING TO SEE YOU ON MONDAY OCTOBER 31**

**THANKYOU** For your support at the Harvest Quiz; £250.00 raised for Pakistan

## COMMUNITY PANTRY

The pantry, which started in the lockdown moved inside during the very bad weather. Linda J. continues to ensure that supplies are kept in place both inside and in the emergency box outside. The pantry is very well used and donations of cash and supplies are always very welcome.

## REMEMBERING HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Sunday September 18 began for Christchurch with Holy Communion using the new 105 liturgy. Members of the gathered community then joined many others in the Lanner Recreation Ground for an act of reflection on, and thanksgiving for the reign of the Queen. It was a moving event, underscored by the Lanner Band and included memories of Her Majesty, traditional hymns, prayers, and readings. It was a very special time and thanks go to all those who made this opportunity possible.

With best wishes from the Christchurch community as we all enter a new period in our history. **GOD SAVE KING CHARLES III**

**FP**

**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***

A good crowd gathered for the Flapjack First Sunday Evening Event on 2<sup>nd</sup> October which was a **Bring & Share Harvest Supper**, led by Margaret DP, whose detailed research into the recent devastating floods in Pakistan was amazing, and left us incredulous at the vast number of people whose lives have been lost or forever changed by this unimaginable tragedy. We are very grateful to all who came and raised the princely sum of £350 for the victims, which is now £750 (including £150 from September's event, and £250 raised by Christchurch at their Harvest Quiz), so THANK YOU SO MUCH. Our grateful thanks also go to all who donated the delicious food for the Supper, which was enjoyed by everyone. The next First Sunday Evening Event will be at 6pm on **Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November** at **Christchurch**, Lanner, featuring "Remembrance" of those we have loved but see no longer. If you would like a loved one remembered at this event, please let Fr. Peter have their name/s as soon as possible. Everyone is welcome. There will also be special **Remembering Services** at St. Andrew's Pencoys for those who have died recently, at 6pm on **Remembrance Sunday** and on **Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 6pm at **Four Lanes Methodist Church**.

Flapjack services and events during **November** will be: Said Holy Communion each Wednesday at 6pm, St. Andrew's, Pencoys.

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November: Quiz** in Pencoys Hall, 7pm £1 per person (please bring your own refreshments)

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November:** Flapjack Holy Comunion at Four Lanes Methodist Church, 11.15am, Flapjack Meeting, 12.45pm, Lighthouse (Young people's project, parents and carers welcome) from 3-5pm and First Sunday Evening Event 6pm at Christchurch Lanner (see above).

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November (Remembrance Sunday): Act of Remembrance at the Lych Gate Memorial, 10.45am. Family Event** at St. Andrew's Pencoys 11.15am followed by said Holy Communion at 12.30pm. Special Remembering Service at 6pm.

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November:** Games Evening (Prize Bingo) in Pencoys Hall, 6-8pm £3 pp. Please bring your own refreshments.

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November:** Service of the Word 11.15am at the Methodist Church; Holy Communion at 6pm at St. Andrew's Pencoys.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November:** Bangers & Mash Methodist Church, 11am-1pm.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November (Advent Sunday):** Flapjack Holy Communion with hymns at St. Andrew's Pencoys, 11.15am. Teatime Celebration, Pencoys Hall, 4-5pm

**TUESDAY, 29<sup>th</sup> November: 7pm SPECIAL CONCERT by WILL KEATING (of the Oggy Men) at St. Andrew's Pencoys, with refreshments. Tickets £10 from Fr. Peter.**

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November :** The Feast of St. Andrew.

Please continue to pray for all across the world who continue to suffer, especially in Ukraine, Pakistan, Thailand, Ireland and for all refugees.

***Jill Tolputt***

## ST EUNY

The stained glass window depicting St Euny placed in the north aisle of the church also shows St Francis, balancing the three-lights with the saints either side of the central figure of the virgin and child. St Francis has a special place in the church and this was celebrated with the pet service held on Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday after the feast of St Francis which falls on October 4<sup>th</sup>. It has been several years since a pet service has been held in the church and the first which Rev. Caspar Bush has known, so it was with some uncertainty that we advertised the event. Giving Bear, a regular worshipper here and at St Andrew's, a central role in the promotion worked well in getting the message across. A pleasant and mild autumn afternoon augured well, and the first sign of something special was the sight of Sky being ridden down Church Lane by Bo with Anya guiding him. Sky, an elderly white pony, had travelled from the Roadway Fields where he lives, to church and was by some margin the largest of the animals who came to praise God and to be blessed. He was joined by around fifteen dogs of various sizes, a few cats and four newts. All were well behaved and their accompanying humans appeared to enjoy themselves, although the dogs were quite vocal and energetic during the second hymn. Many people stayed behind to enjoy a cup of tea and chat afterward, so we judge the event to have been successful and enjoyable for all who came. Look out for the next similar event, we are contemplating a follow-up.

After the cancellation of the Mining and Pasty Festival due to the death of our sovereign we decided to celebrate harvest with a pasty supper to use up the supply of frozen pasties purchased for the event. Our celebration of harvest at St Euny was at evensong on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October and it was lovely to see members of the congregation who have been absent for so long due to the Covid epidemic returning to church.

The Christmas Tree Festival planning is well under way, a joint programme having been drawn up to enable people to enjoy the displays and events at both St Euny and St Andrew. St Euny will be open every Saturday from November 26<sup>th</sup> to December 17<sup>th</sup> from 12.00pm – 3.00pm, with special activities to accompany the tree displays. Wreath making and craft activities will be on offer on Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> and Dec 17<sup>th</sup> as well as some Christmas gift stalls. In addition the exhibition will be open on Wednesday afternoons 1.00pm to 4.00pm and on Thursday afternoons, 12-3.00pm. Music and refreshments will be available at church open times during this period and everyone is welcome to come along. Other Christmas events will be held and will be advertised in the weekly pew sheet and next month's Five Alive. If you feel able to help, please do get in touch with Linda or Lucie. A good number of people have already committed time, skills and resources, so thank you and we look forward to this opportunity to reach out to our community.

***Linda Beskeen***



## ST STEPHEN'S TRELEIGH



Saturday the 1st of October saw us once again tidying the Churchyard. With the help we had a lot was achieved in a couple of hours, with even a bucket full of apples picked from the tree which sits among the graves. The Path was swept of the nuts from the Beech tree. It seems that the heatwave of a couple of months ago was liked by the tree. We have had a plethora of Beech nuts which are not nice to walk on so I'm afraid to say the path again needs sweeping. A big thankyou to all who helped, it was really appreciated.

The following day was our Harvest festival led by the Rev Chris. We had the screen with the words and pictures for all to see as it was our Informal 1st Sunday service of Holy Communion but with Communion by Extension. The church was impressively decorated with flowers with tins and packets of food which was then donated to the food bank.

The next day saw us having fun in the hall at our Harvest Supper. The apples picked in the Churchyard had been bagged and we were able to buy them. We also had a raffle both in aid of church funds and after our pasty and pud supper the serious business of quizzes got under way. Len started the proceedings off with a sort of light hearted general knowledge quiz which he said all answers were before 1990 not that this helped though. This was followed by a musical quiz with our organist Lynn on her keyboard playing television theme tunes which we all thought would be easy. Not so as some went back many years. Quizzing ended with a picture quiz from Dave in three parts of film and television personalities, castles of Cornwall and villages around the coast. All of which had the little grey cells working hard but all good fun and caused a lot of laughter. Our thanks to all who helped make the evening a success.

We have a couple of special services coming up namely our Remembering service on Sunday 30th October at 3pm, and on Wednesday 2nd November at 7pm our All Souls Service. Of course on the 2nd Friday of each month we have a Healing Service with Father Peter and the Rev Margaret. This is a service of laying on of hands although not a requirement, just being there can sometimes be a help.

The people of Treleigh were sorry to hear of the death of Barbara Oliver, a member of St Stephen's Church for many years until ill health prevented her attendance. We keep Lorna and her family in our thoughts and prayers.

Mary Harris

## **Pastoral Visiting Group**

Coordinators:-

St Andrew Pencoys  
Christchurch Lanner  
Treleigh  
St Euny  
St Andrew Redruth

Father Peter  
Linda James  
Ann Youlton  
Jason Hoole-Jackson  
Pie Louis-Smith and Lavinia Green

Thank you all for your fellowship and friendship to one another.

***Reverend Margaret and Father Peter***

### **FROM THE REGISTERS**

#### **BAPTISMS**

25 September 2022	Millie Joan Ashleigh	St Stephen Treleigh
25 September 2022	Dougie Thomas James Reed	St Stephen Treleigh

#### **WEDDINGS**

23 September 2022	Rian Andrew Tresidder and Rebecca Elizabeth West	St Andrew Redruth
15 October 2022	Danny Lee Penfold and Kelly Marie Pengelly	St Euny

#### **FUNERALS**

30 September 2022	John Beskeen	St Andrew Redruth
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### **DISASTERS EMERGENCY COMMITTEE**

***A Total of £580 has been sent to the DEC in aid of the Pakistan Flood Appeal, comprising our Benefice Reef Funds and Retiring Collections at St Andrew Redruth and St Stephen Treleigh***

## *Book Club—open to anyone who likes to read*

We meet again on November 4<sup>th</sup> to share our thoughts about Meredith, Alone by Claire Alexander. Meredith is a wonderful character – funny, strong and relatable - who has not left her home for 1,214 days. It takes time to learn why she has become a recluse. Our own recent experiences of lock-down might have some resonances for us and give us an insight into how much more difficult lock-down was for those who were shielding all through Covid, and some still are.



Next month on December 2<sup>nd</sup> we are going to have a poetry session bringing our favourite poems to share which always brings a variety of topics, some serious and some amusing. Do come and join us for this if you enjoy poetry. We are looking forward to welcoming some new members in November so why not be one of them?!

***If you need more information please contact me on 211775  
Margaret Saville***

### **NEWS FROM THE BELL TOWER**

St. Euny Tower ringers joined with hundreds of other towers throughout the country, to ring the bells half-muffled for half an hour, on the morning of the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

***Pictured are front row: Ian Self (Tower Captain), Clive Reynolds, Bryan Llewellyn  
Back row: Matthew Ruddock, Brian Curnow, Charles Green***



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## **“A Postcard from Catalonia”**

“Friday night - arrived at last to Barcelona airport where the thunderstorms had subsided and the warm air hit us as we descended the steps of the plane.

Welcoming hugs from my brother who has been residing in Spain for over 20 years, and his Catalan wife. A 40 minute drive to their home in the town of St. Pere de Rebes, south of the city of Barcelona.

Saturday - Awoke to warm sunny weather and a leisurely breakfast. A trip to the seaside town of Villanova, where we walked around the interesting streets and then enjoyed an al-fresco tapas meal at a seafront restaurant.

A walk along the soft golden sand with the sea lapping gently on the shore enticed me to have a paddle, definitely not Godrevey temperature!!

Photos taken of artistic work along the low cliffs, shells and colourful Mediterranean pieces of broken tiles embedded in the sandy cliff face and even a love poem which my brother interpreted for us.

Sunday - an early start for a 2 hour drive to the Costa Brava, stopping en route at a Medieval town to experience the winding steep cobbled streets lined with buildings ‘as if straight out of the film set of El Cid’. A candle lit in the church where history tells us that the huge bell fell, hitting the priest and yet he survived with only a small injury.

Travelling on to a restaurant near the sea where a 3 course al fresco meal was very much enjoyed, followed by a coastal walk, not at all like the Cornish coast as many steps up and down, some through woodland and at other times cliff edge, thankfully with a barrier railing.

Monday - a work day for my family and so we walked the 5km, mainly countryside walk, to Sitges, a walk we have enjoyed many times. Through dusty tracks lined with vineyards or olive groves and brightly painted houses. Normally visiting in March, we have really noticed the difference in the flora and fauna. Beautiful butterflies of yellow with lime-tipped wings and many others flitting around as if they were following us. The lizards and gecko shooting into the undergrowth as we pass. The Oleander bushes with their flowers ranging from white through various hues of pink and the bougainvillea so brilliantly coloured, magenta, crimson and scarlet, not to mention the aroma of the jasmine as we brushed past. The squabbling parakeets in the palm trees lining the long promenade.

A swim in the sea, so refreshing after our walk in 25 degrees and a picnic lunch with pigeons, not seagulls hoping for a crumb. A visit to a little cafe along one of the narrow streets before walking back to St. Pere de Ribes was very welcome.

Wish you were here???”

***Christine Cunningham***

## *EXCERPTS FROM A DAILY JOURNAL*

### *My New Zealand Trip continued, by Michael Tangye*

Nov 18th 'to Waitapu by small mini-coach collecting people from various places en-route. Passed a road called Trevelgue. Chatted with elderly lady passenger whose grandfather called Treleawarne had come from Cornwall to Otago in 1850. Again a geo-thermal area, reminiscent of the barrenness of the United Downs at St Day but with boiling springs and bubbling mud-holes, along with sulphur deposits.

Nov 19th 'Climbed to the Waitupu hot springs area. Pam and I borrowed a pair of shorts to bathe in the thermal waters. The highlight was the Lady Knox Geyser which erupts daily at 10.15am. A crowd had gathered whilst a guide poured soap powder into a hole at the top of the mound; it bubbled and frothed, ever more vigorously, before erupting, shooting a jet of water and steam high into the air.

Then on to Waimangu Valley, now densely wooded, parts once barren when Mt Taranera erupted in 1886. In the deep rift caused by the eruption is the largest thermal spring lake in the world, with a temperature of 47°—65° (The Maori guides there had a best friend John Trenwith!).

Nov 20th to Wellington by bus supreme scenery en-route passing the third largest man-made forest in the world, pine trees fronted by Scottish Broom. At Taipu is a huge lake 25 miles long—it lies in the crater of what is estimated as the world's largest eruption from a volcano. Then on through rolling heights, forever climbing until snow appeared and the landscape was enveloped in smoke and blown ash which spattered on the exterior of the bus, all coming from the Mt Ruapehu which erupted last month, and is still simmering.

Then a long descent passing a vast gorge, rivers and endless plains. The road then passed along the shore-line, where waves broke angrily upon black rocks, before we arrived at Wellington—its harbour formed by an extinct volcano crater.

Nov 21st In the city we saw the 'Beehive', the New Zealand Parliament House, a round structure towering upwards in ever decreasing circles of glass and masonry. We journeyed above the city on a cable-car to the Botanic Gardens and an observatory with its large rose garden and exotic plants. Then a walk through the old settlers cemetery situated on a hillside where we noted the grave of 'William, son of (Mine) Captain Kestle of St Dennis Cornwall March 11 1890 aged 32 yrs. Erected by his father'. At the Anglican Cathedral of St Paul's, a new building with impressive stained glass windows and modern interpretation. Just a short distance away lies the old cathedral of wood, built in 1866, no larger than a parish church at home. (saw a large shop—'Pascoes').

Nov 22 went for a walk through dense bush, a rain forest, to Butterfly Creek where a stream flows through the deep valley. A lovely environment with New Zealand Fern Trees, Cabbage Palms, Dracainas and other native trees, all alive with bird life.

Nov 23 To Eastbourne and to Pencarrow Point with its lighthouse on the site of the first navigational light to be erected in New Zealand in 1859. We had already passed a beach where 49 bodies were washed ashore in 1968, when a ferry sank in a terrific gale.

## **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.*

## **PETS SERVICE AT ST EUNY**

Claude receives his blessing from Caspar at the St Euny Pet Service on Sunday 9 October



## **Cornish Folk with a splice of Bluegrass!**

Will Keating will host a concert by candlelight within the Benefice  
Tickets are £10.00 and more details will follow ASAP

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 29, 7.00pm in St Andrew, Pencoys**

Will is accompanied by John Dowling the world famous banjo player

***KEEP THE DATE!!!!!!***



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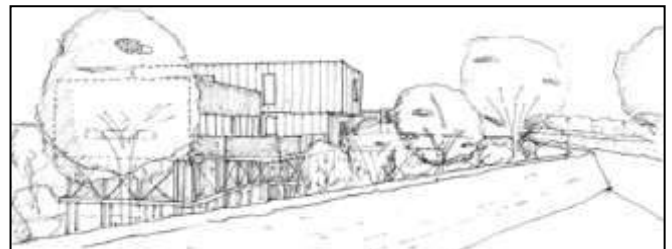
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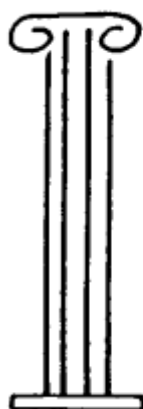


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