SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29- *ADVENT SUNDAY*

Dear Readers,
In just a week, the two St Andrews will celebrate their Patronal Festival on ***MONDAY NOVEMBER 30*** at 6.30pm in the Pencoys Hall. There will be a 'bring and share supper' a short service and most significantly, the formal launching of Sheila's book of poetry "HOPE FAITH LOVE". Sheila will read some of her poetry and you will have the opportunity to buy a signed copy of the book.

The cost / copy is £5.00. Of that money £4.00 will support two charities… MIND & PARKINSONS CORNWALL. The fifth pound will be used to defray printing expenses and support perhaps another charity. **PLEASE TRY AND SUPPORT SHEILA AND THIS UNIQUE EVENT!**



PENCOYS CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD Pencoys Church has its own Christmas card!! It is the most beautiful adaption of an illustration by Judith (Jude) Horwood based on a Christmas poem by Charles Causley called "The animals carol". The illustration goes beyond the animals in the stable to include Mary, Joseph and Angels.
It is a beautiful card and will cost £1.00. Profits from the sale of the cards will support the emergency repairs to the Church.
THANKYOU JUDE FOR THIS REMARKABLE CARD.

THE CARD is on sale NOW!!, and Jude has offered to sign cards to raise a little more cash.
THE CARDS ARE ON SALE AND WILL BE AT EVERY PENCOYS / CHAPEL EVENTS.
£1.00 / card (£1.50 if signed by Jude)

ADVENT STUDY GROUPS
AT PENCOYS / FLAPJACK & CHRISTCHURCH with LANNER METHODISTS
Both venues will hold their group on four Wednesdays in Advent:
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2, 9, 16, 23
The theme is "BEYOND THE CHRISTMAS CARD"
2/12 The Innkeeper 9/12 The Shepherds 16/12 The Magi 23/12 Angels

PENCOYS FLAPJACK meets in the Pencoys Church at 6.45pm – 7.45pm
CHRISTCHURCH with LANNER METHODISTS meets in both venues on alternate weeks:
2/12 Chapel 9/12 Church 16/12 Chapel 23/12 Church
NOTE: The Chapel hopes to provide SOUP / The Church hopes to provide CAKE



REGULAR EVENTS

WEEKLY MONDAY MORNING IN THE CRYPT with breakfast from 8.30am., the next one is 30 / 11 / 26

WEEKLY TUESDAY GAMES at Christchurch. This event is now weekly and will continue thus Through the winter. When you read this,the next one is ***Tuesday December 1***

WEDNESDAY GAMES at Four Lanes Chapel, 2pm – 4pm (next one 02 / 12 / 1926)
This alternates with the WEDNESDAY CLUB which meets again Wednesday December 9

WEDNESDAY WEEKLY OPEN CAFÉ at St Euny, 2.15pm – 4.00pm

MONTHLY TEA PARTY at Treleigh 2.30pm (Next one: ***Tuesday December 8*** *2026)*

LAST SUNDAY MONTHLY TEA PARTY in the THE PENCOYS HALL 4.00pm
(next one Sunday November 29)

MARGARET'S LAST MONDAY TEA PARTY in Christchurch 2.00pm
(next one Monday November 30)

With the assurance of our prayers
The Rev'd Rebecca / Rector and the Ministry Team of the Parish of Redruth
The Redruth, Camborne & Hayle Methodist Circuit
Jim Seth, Chaplain to The Readers
Pastor Sarah, Four Lanes Methodist Chapel



GOSPEL SET FOR TODAY: Mark 13 vv24 – end

This very difficult focuses on the need to 'be ready'. Ready to see God in every situation, ready to do what you can to bring peace and justice into the world. You cannot wait for someone else to hold the banner, speak for the oppressed, feed the hungry and stand with vthe homeless.

None of us know when the challenge, when the moment will arrive and we are called to act, to speak, to protest. But we must live as if the moment is upon us, we must be ready to love the unloveable. As we wait for Christmas we must remember that Jesus was born into an occupied land, born into poverty, became a refugee and was so dependent on others for his safety.

So, as the days pass, look beyond the decorations, the parties, the trollies and the rush of preparations. Be ready to put your hand into the hand of the Christ child feel the strength of the child, stand up for love and let 'the second coming' be through YOU as you bring light into the world.



THOSE WHO WE REMEMBER THIS WEEK

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29 ADVENT SUNDAY

This Advent, let us not simply wait for Christmas. Let us *prepare*, *act*, and *shine*.

Let us embrace **Exciting Holiness** — a holiness that moves hearts, changes lives,

and draws us closer to the one for whom we wait.



NOVEMBER 30 Andrew the Apostle

Though Andrew is named among the apostles in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, it is in John's gospel that most is learned about him. Andrew was a Galilean fisherman, mending his nets, when Jesus called him to follow him, which he promptly did. He then seems to have remained with Jesus until the end. He was there at the feeding of the five thousand and then later, when some Greeks in Jerusalem wanted to see Jesus, Philip brought them to Andrew who told Jesus of their desire. Tradition has him travelling on several missionary journeys and eventually being martyred by being crucified on an X-shaped cross. He became the patron saint of Scotland because of a legend that his relics had been brought there in the eighth century.



TUESDAY DECEMBER 1 Charles de Fourcauld Hermit 1916

Charles Eugène de Foucauld was born in 1858 and led a dissipated life as a young officer in the cavalry. In 1883, he went on an expedition to Morocco where he developed a passion for north Africa and its ways. Four years later, he returned to the Catholic faith of his infancy and, after a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, became a Trappist monk in 1890. Desiring an even more austere life, he left in 1897 and became a servant to the Poor Clares in Jerusalem and Nazareth.
He was eventually ordained priest in 1901 and went to live as a hermit in Algeria, ending up at Tamanrasset. He became fluent in the local language and his care and concern for the local tribes-people made him accepted and then much loved, though he never sought converts. He composed Rules for brothers and for sisters, though none ever actually joined him. He was assassinated on this day in 1916, a victim of local religious wars. The Little Sisters of the Sacred Heart were founded in 1933, inspired by his rule for sisters. His writings also inspired René Voillaume and others to adopt a life based on his rule, eventually becoming
The Little Brothers of Jesus in 1945.



THURSDAY DECEMBER 3 Francis Xavier Missionary 1552

Francis was born at the castle of Xavier in Spanish Navarre in 1506. He was educated in Paris and, with Ignatius of Loyola, became one of the group of seven who took vows as the first members of the Society of Jesus, or Jesuits. Since preaching the gospel overseas was an integral part of the Jesuit vocation, Francis sailed for Goa, on the west coast of India, in 1541. He travelled all over the East Indies, evangelising and establishing the Church in Ceylon, Malacca, Malaya and notably in Japan, where he left behind two thousand converts. He was on his way to China when he died on board ship in December 1552.



FRIDAY DECEMBER 4 John of Damascus Monk Teacher 749

John was born in Damascus in about the year 657. Although the city was already Muslim, his father, though a Christian, was Chief of the Revenue and was the principal representative of Christians in the city. In 716, John, by then well-educated in science and theology, became a monk at the abbey of St Sabas near to Jerusalem and later was ordained priest there. He became a prolific writer of theological works and of hymns. His summary of the teachings of the Greek Fathers, called De Fide Orthodoxa, proved an immense influence in the Church in the following centuries, in both east and west. He died on this day in about the year 749.



WEEKLY PRAYERS *(please contact FP. If you need names to be added)*

Jeanne, Toni, Anth. & their family, Jane S., Emma B., Fr Eddie, Sandra & family, Margaret & Andrew, Michael W., Roseanna, Tricia, Zoe & Isobel, Rex, David & Frances, Marlene, Gill Genower. David Blight, Shelley, Chris. & family, Sarah, Andy, Charlie Halley, Gill

Those who we remember: Jill Oliver

PRAYERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29 ADVENT SUNDAY
"Follow him and you will be like a son of the most high" Sirach 4 vv10
PRAY FOR THOSE WHO MUST WAIT FOR NEWS OF A LOVED ONE

MONDAY NOVEMBER 30 Andrew Apostle Martyr
"Love is patient and kind" 1Corinthians 13
PRAY FOR THOSE WHO LOVE IN SECRET

TUESDAY DECEMBER 1 Charles de Foucauld Hermit 1916
"Teach me to do your will, for you are my God" Psalm 143 vv10
PRAY FOR THOSE WHO LIVE ALONE

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2 Feria
"Love never seeks its own advantage" 1 Corinthians 13
PRAY FOR DAVID BISHOP OF TRURO, JAMES BISHOP OF ST GERMANS HUGH BISHOP OF WORCESTER, SARAH ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY, BECCA & Fr CHRISTOPHER AND FOR THE TRURO PRIESTS WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO GENERAL SYNOD Clive, Anna & Andrew

THURSDAY DECEMBER 3 Francis Xavier Missionary 1552
"Watch for the right time and do not be ashamed to be yourself" Sirach 4 vv20
PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ACCEPT WHO THEY ARE

FRIDAY DECEMBER 4 John of Damascus Monk Teacher 749
"Love is not prone to anger, nor does it worry about setbacks" 1Corinthians 13
PRAY FOR THE PARISHES OF CAMBORNE AND REDRUTH, THEIR DEACONS JASON AND ESTHER AND THOSE WHO ARE BRINGING LIFE INTO THE WORLD

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5 Feria
"The lord supports those who are falling and raises up those who are cast down" Psalm 145 vv14
PRAY FOR THE CRYPT WARM BANK AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NO HOME

THOUGHT FOR TODAY: "You are confined only by the walls you build yourself"



FIRST SUNDAY EVENTS / USUALLY AT 6.00pm
SUNDAY DECEMBER 6 The Festival of St Nicholas TRELEIGH CHURCH NOTE CHANGE



Collect for THE NEW GROWING CHURCH PROJECT

SUNDAY JANUARY 3 2027 Epiphany Carol Service at St Andrew, Pencoys
Charity / BLOOD BIKERS



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple / Christingle
Christchurch, Lanner Charity: A band of brothers, in memory of George Chandler (RIP)



SUNDAY MARCH 4 Mothering Sunday – event to be hosted by Lanner Methodist Chapel
Charity to be decided



DIARY DATES
PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS NOT A DEFINITIVE LIST, PLEASE KEEP CHECKING THE WHITE WEEKLY SHEET WHICH MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 28 Treleigh Church Fete 11.00am – 2.00pm
Four Lanes Chapel Bangers & Mash 11.30am
The Victoria Inn, Four Lanes Craft Fair 11.00am – 3.00pm
Four Lanes Christmas lights turn on 6.00pm

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29 Pencoys Hall Monthly tea party 4.00pm
St Euny Advent Carol Service 6.00pm

MONDAY NOVEMBER 30 The Festival of St Andrew
Christchurch Margaret's tea-party 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Parish Office ZOOM Bible Study (Morning Prayer Link) 4.30pm
Pencoys Hall Patronal 'bring & share' supper 6.30pm
including a short service and the launch of Sheila's book

TUESDAY DECEMBER 1 Pencoys Church Healing Service 7.00pm

FRIDAY DECEMBER 4 St Andrew, Redruth Christmas tree Festival
Christmas Fair
Pencoys Hall Monthly Quiz / NOTE DATE 6.00pm

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5 St Andrew, Redruth Events continue

CHRISTCHURCH FILM CLUB



The club meets on the LAST Friday of each month. Doors usually open at 6.30pm and the projector starts running at 7.00pm. The contribution to watch a film is £5, BUT there is FREE ce-cream and tea / coffee in the interval. NOTE / we have returned to the time of 6.30pm

THE NEXT FILM NIGHT IS FRIDAY NOVEMBER 27
ANY IDEAS FOR A FILM: YES!!: "Oceans Eleven"



IF YOU ARE YOU ARE STRUGGLING AND NEED A LISTENING EAR
The Samaritans: 116 123 A long established help line for those who are moving to the edge and who need help to draw back

Anxiety UK: 03444 775 774 A helpline for those who are carrying concerns and worries that maybe overwhelming them

Mind: 0300 123 3393 An opportunity to talk through your mental health, and perhaps to find strategies to help you

Calm: 0800 58 58 58 Do not struggle alone, there are people to help you cope and move forward

Crisis text line (text) 85258 Whatever your concern, especially if it is linked to housing and your need to come inside, CRISIS will guide you

Child-line: 0800 11 11 Children and young people need not be afraid, just phone for a friendly voice

Cornwall Council: 0300 1234 100 You'll get an automated voice, but keep going, press the right buttons on your phone and you'll be able to speak to someone eventually or leave a message

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 A charity if you have concerns about a child

Multi Agency Referral Unit (MARU) 0300 1231 116 A Cornwall Council referral group who will be able to guide you, or take a referral

STREET LINK: 0300 500 0914 Although this is a London number, you can be connected to a local number. BUT you may want to phone

ST PETROC'S 01872 264 153, they are based in Truro and will be able to help you locally.

JUST TO KEEP YOU SMILING!!

