

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23rd **THE FIRST SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT 2025**

The numbering has all gone wrong, Caroline will know!!

The 42nd Sunday in the United Parish of Redruth

Dear Readers,

MANY APOLOGIES THAT THIS SHEET IS VERY REPETITATIVE AT THE MOMENT
BUT SO MUCH NEEDS TO BE KEPT IN FOCUS!!

**ADVENT is nearly with us. ADVENT SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 30 and here are
the events planned for the festival:**

All worship settings are in their own churches / chapels. It is a fifth Sunday so
Four Lanes Chapel will have its Breakfast Service at 9.30am

The Nativity Exhibition is in St Andrew's, Redruth

St Andrew's, Pencoyls celebrates their Patronal Festival with a 'Bring & Share'
lunch in the Pencoyls Hall, 1.00pm. Closely followed by the 'Tea-Time' Event
at 4.00pm

St Euny Church is holding an ADVENT CAROL SERVICE at 6.00pm

What is Advent?

[Advent is a four-week season](#) dedicated to reflective preparation for
the arrival, "advent", of Jesus [Christ's Nativity](#) at Christmas time as
well and Christ's expected return in the [Second Coming](#). During this
important event on the church calendar, each week of Advent focuses
on a different theme - hope, peace, joy, and love. Christians from all
denominations and backgrounds celebrate Advent in different ways but
all focus on the anticipation of waiting for the arrival of Jesus.



CHRISTCHURCH & FLAPJACK ADVENT GROUPS

Based on the word ADVENT the groups will meet on WEDNESDAYS

NOVEMBER 26: Arrival & Deliverance

DECEMBER 3: Victory

DECEMBER 10: Eternal

DECEMBER 17: Name & Thanksgiving

Christchurch will meet at 11.00am

FLAPJACK will meet at 6.00pm (the weekly Mass is moved to 5.00pm)

ALL WELCOME



WE ARE STAYING WITH THIS A LITTLE LONGER!!

Although there is a little time to go, the following may help you become involved with 'THE LIVING NATIVITY' which has had its **SECOND re-write!!!**

Performance Date: **Sunday December 21**

Time: **2pm**

Place: **Mary's Barn, Lanner**

Rehearsals: **Thursday November 13, 20, 27**

Thursday December 4, 11

All in Christchurch at 3.30pm – 4.45pm

Thursday December 18 at 3.30pm in the Barn

Friday December 19 at 6.00pm in the Barn / technical

SUNDAY DECEMBER 21 at 2.00pm / PERFORMANCE

If you would like to become involved, just come along!!



WARM SPACES – You are welcome at them all!!

WEEKLY MONDAY MORNING IN THE CRYPT with breakfast from 8.30am (next one 24 / 11 / 25)

WEEKLY TUESDAY GAMES at Christchurch. This event is FORTNIGHTLY and when you re read this,

*the next one is **Tuesday December 2: 2pm – 4pm***

(NOTE the change in the dates and the rotation to fit in with the Treleigh Tea-Party)

WEDNESDAY GAMES at Four Lanes Chapel, 2pm – 4pm (next one 02 / 12 / 25 25) This alternates with the WEDNESDAY CLUB (next one 26/ 11 / 25) same place, same times

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

MONTHLY TEA PARTY at Treleigh 2.30pm (Next one, December 11)

LAST SUNDAY MONTHLY TEA PARTY in the THE PENCOYS HALL 4.00pm (next one Sunday November 30)

MARGARET'S LAST MONDAY TEA PARTY in Christchurch 2.00pm (next one Monday November 24)

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 and Parish Safeguarding Officer

Sarah Flowerday, Four Lanes Methodist Minister

BISHOP HUGH

There is a date for Bishop Hugh's translation as Bishop of Worcester.

The date is **SATURDAY JANUARY 17 2026 / 2.00pm**



Bishop Hugh was consecrated in Lambeth Palace during COVID. Several watched that moment on television. He came to Cornwall as The suffragan Bishop of St Germans and next year will be translated to the Diocese of Worcester to be its diocesan bishop. **CONGRATULATIONS BISHOP HUGH.**

Bishop Hugh baptised a young person (at Christchurch) and confirmed members of the Pencoys Church. He has shown kindness, compassion and understanding in endless pastoral situations. He has brought energy and enthusiasm to countless liturgies in many Cornish churches. All this as well as being the Bishop to the Armed Forces.

Bishop Hugh will be proclaimed as the Bishop of Worcester on Saturday November 28 at 5.00pm in St Mary La Bow in Stepney, East London

The Bishop's final service in Truro is on **SUNDAY DECEMBER 7 / 4.00pm**. This is a service of Evensong where Bishop Hugh will preach. ALL are welcome to attend. The Bishop will also read from St John's Gospel at the Cathedral Festival of Lessons and Carols on December 24 at 7.00pm

THE DATE FOR BISHOP HUGH'S TRANSLATION IS:

Saturday January 17, 2.00pm in Worcester Cathedral.

Now, we could go in a 19 seater mini-coach. Here are details:

DATE: Saturday January 17 2026, 2.00pm in Worcester Cathedral

Leave the Crypt at 7.00am

Arrive Worcester at 12.30pm

Leave Worcester at 5.00pm

Arrive the Crypt: 10.30pm

The cost / seat would be £50.00

FP needs to know ASAP who hopes to go ... so far: 13 travellers

NOTE: These details have gone out to the Deanery and beyond!!



All aboard



Worcester Cathedral

GOSPEL FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT: Luke 23 vv33-43

This well known reading shows the complete contrast of the kingship of Jesus to the kingship of the world. Jesus, is clearly the servant king; ridiculed by the world and under the domination of the world forces.

Even as his life draws to a close, Jesus is able to listen and respond to someone in need offering reassurance, hope and a vision of paradise, the new kingdom.

This narrative is an icon of the Christian faith. A faith which calls upon each one of us to follow a pathway of forgiveness, compassion and acceptance. Urging people to recognise their need for God as they have God's love reflected to them

Today is the Festival of Christ the King, the day we celebrate the kingship of Jesus, a kingship which overturns the values so often seen in the world to being new life and a new hope.



THOSE WHO WE REMEMBER THIS WEEK

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 25 Catherine of Alexandria Martyr 4th Century
Saint Catherine of Alexandria was a 4th-century Christian martyr renowned for her intellect, eloquence, and unwavering faith. She is venerated as a saint in both the Eastern and Western Christian traditions. She was sentenced to die on a wheel, which, according to legend – broke!!



WEEKLY PRAYERS

Please let FP know if there is a name to include on this part of the sheet:
079 038 079 46 or baptism66@gmail.com

The list is being revised. Please let FP know if you have a name to include
Poppy, Pie, Karenza, Demelza, Ben, Jo, Pat Bassett, Mark, Aidan, Anya, Bev.,
Eric, Andy, Linda, Mary, Karen and family
Those whose journey is over:

PRAYERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23: First Sunday before Advent / Christ the King
“Rescue those who seek to persecute me” Psalm 142 vv7
PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IMPRISONED FOR THEIR FAITH

MONDAY NOVEMBER 24: Feria

"If I do not have love, I am nothing more than a noisy gong"

1 Corinthians 13 vv1

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM DOMESTIC ABUSE

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 25: Catherine of Alexandria

"Do not add to the troubles of others, or delay in helping those in need"

Sirach 4 vv3

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SUPPORTED AND CARED FOR YOU

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 26: Feria

"If I have the faith to move mountains but not love, I have nothing"

1 Corinthians 13 vv2

**PRAY FOR DAVID BISHOP OF TRURO, HUGH BISHOP OF ST GERMAN'S AND
BISHOP ELECT OF THE DIOCESE OF WORCESTER, AND SARAH ARCHBISHOP
OF CANTERBURY DESIGNATE**

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 27: Feria

*"Do not subject your servants to judgement, for no-one living is righteous
before you" Psalm 142 vv5*

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK IN COURTS OF LAW

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 28: Feria

*"If I give away everything to feed the poor but do not have love, I achieve
nothing" 1 Corinthians 13 vv3*

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ORGANISE AND WORK IN FOOD BANKS

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29: Feria

"You are like a child of the most high who loves you more than your mother"

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SEARCH FOR THEIR FOREVER HOME



JUST A THOUGHT:

"I believe in the sun even when it is not shining"

FIRST SUNDAY EVENTS / USUALLY AT 6.00pm

SUNDAY DECEMBER 7 Christchurch, Lanner

A Cornish charity supporting mental health concerns



SUNDAY JANUARY 4 2026 St Andrew, Pencoys

Epiphany Carol Service

CHARITY: The Marie Curie Nurses



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1: Led by Lanner Methodist Chapel / to be confirmed

SUNDAY MARCH 1: COASTWATCH (tbc) / 4Lanes Chapel (tbc)

If you have a suggestion for a FIRST SUNDAY theme or charity, please contact FP



DIARY DATES

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

**Sunday November 23 Parish service at Treleigh 10.30am
Christchurch PATRONAL FESTIVAL 3.00pm
St Euny Evensong 6.00pm**

**Monday November 24 Christchurch Margaret's Tea-Party 2.00pm
Christchurch Bible Study 4.30pm (Morning Prayer zoom link)**

Thursday November 27 St Andrew, Redruth Set up Nativity exhibition

**Friday November 28 Christchurch Film Club 6.30pm for 7.00pm
St Andrew, Redruth Nativity exhibition**

Saturday November 29 Curnow School Fete 10.00am – 1.00pm

[St Andrew, Redruth](#) [Nativity exhibition](#)

Christchurch in Mary Anson's house Patronal Dinner 7.00pm

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30 ADVENT SUNDAY

See the top page of this newsletter for full details

FUTURE LAST SUNDAY JOINT SERVICES

November 30 Own churches, usual timings

December 28 Treleigh 10.30am

CHRISTCHURCH FILM CLUB

The club meets on the **LAST Friday** of each month. Doors open at 6.30pm and the projector starts running at 7.00pm. The sponsoring group is CFYLM which is based in the Kroji building. A year's membership costs £???? and the contribution to watch a film is £5, BUT there is FREE ce-cream and tea / coffee in the interval.



The date of the next film is: **NOVEMBER 28** and will be “St Trinians” !!!!!

LIGHTHOUSE



LIGHTHOUSE meets on the **FIRST SUNDAY** of each month and is held in the Four Lanes Methodist Chapel, 2.30pm – 4.30pm **Led by Caroline, Grandma Carol and FP.** the **Sunday theme is worked on**, as well as prayer candles being offered for those known to us who are struggling. On the **SECOND SUNDAY** the children are invited to share their work at the family service. **NOTE THE NEW TIMINGS** and the next meeting is on **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1 2026 at 2.30pm**

WEEKLY QUESTION??????

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION: What is Cornwall Council's general enquiries telephone number? 0300 1234 100

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Who is the current Home Secretary?



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 MAKE YOU LAUGH!!!

