

April Services

Sunday 7 April

9.15am Phillack Holy Communion
11am Gwithian BCP Matins
11am Gwinear Holy Communion
9.30am St Elwyn's Sung Eucharist
9.30am St Erth Service of the Word

Saturday 13 April

11 am Thanksgiving service for the life of Rosemary' Wickremasinghe

At Phillack Church followed by an interment in the church yard.
The family welcomes all those who knew and loved Rosemary.
After the service all are invited to share memories and refreshments (venue TBA)

Sunday 14 April

4pm Phillack Taizé with Holy Communion
11am Gwithian Holy Communion
10.30am Gwinear United Service at Wall
9.30am St Elwyn's Eucharist
9.30am St Erth Holy Communion: APCM

Sunday 21 April

9.15am Phillack Holy Communion
11am Gwithian Service of the Word
11am Gwinear Holy Communion
4pm St Elwyn's Choral Evensong
9.30am St Erth Holy Communion

Sunday 28 April

4pm Phillack Cafe Communion service, bring a plate of something to share for afternoon tea together
11am Gwithian BCP Holy Communion
11am Gwinear Holy Communion
9.30am St Elwyn's Eucharist
9.30am St Erth Holy Communion

GWITHIAN CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

PHILLACK CHURCH

Phillack Church is open every day from 9am to 4pm

GWINEAR CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

COPPERHOUSE COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Phillack Church Hall. All welcome.

Thursdays between

11.30 and 2.30pm instead of 12-3pm.

MEN'S BREAKFASTS

The next Ecumenical Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, 13 April, at 8.30 a.m. in Wall Chapel Hall. Please give your name this time direct to Geoff Webster (01736 851173; geoff.webster249@btinternet.com) at least by Monday, 6 April, if you would like to come. NB. If you do register, it would be helpful if you can make every effort to come.

ST ERTH 99 CLUB

Winners were drawn on Sunday 24 March by Michelle Porter-Babbage.

The winner was No 2 Stephen Murley; second No 66 Jane Davis; third No 32 Eustice Eddy.

Subscriptions can be paid via Direct Debit in instalments or BACS. The annual cost is £26.00 for each number. Please contact Frank Nolan 756179 if you would like to join and help the church finances.

ST ERTH FILM CLUB

On Saturday April 20 the film will be 'Barbie'. Barbie and Ken are having the time of their lives in the colourful and seemingly perfect world of Barbie Land. However, when they get a chance to go to the real world, they soon discover the joys and perils of living among humans. Starring: Margot Robbie, Ryan Gosling, Issa Rae.

Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start at St Erth Church Hall. The cost is just £3.00 for members (£6.00 including entry for non-members).



Easter message from Michelle

The Easter story is so familiar that we are at risk of overlooking its power and meaning for our lives. Day after Day, year after year God is inviting us into something new, a new beginning, a new story, a new prospective of how we see the world and that is through the gift of HOPE.

Hope that defeated persecution, torture, rejection, condemnation, doubt, violence, death and despair. Hope that burst from the tomb, with a voice from Mary that rejoiced, that Jesus was alive, she had seen the Lord. *John 20. 18*. This hope does not trivialise our suffering, loss and heartbreak, but seeks to make it's dwelling in us, so that we might know and experience a new reality, even when we walk through the valley. A new life and a new hope that transforms life as we know it.

This Easter I pray, that God will reveal the hope he has for you and for me. And person by person, community by community as we open our hearts to receive his gift, we to will rejoice that, *'Jesus is not dead, but alive in me.'*

Blessings to you and all those you love this Easter

Michelle

Easter Day
United Sunrise
Service
with communion
6.30am

Gather at Gwithian Towans
Long Stay Car Park
TR27 5BT

*free car parking -
refreshments*



Go to the next page to view pictures taken by Val Thorne at the Sunrise Service



Celtic Quiet Places



Celtic Quiet Places in Cornwall haven't been deliberately hidden from tourists, but they've always been one of those off the beaten track 'if you know, you know' destinations. But now, a new website will reveal these gentle treasures with anyone looking for peace and quiet reflection.

There are currently 78 Cornish churches designated as a Celtic Quiet Place, each offering a peaceful haven in a world that can seem increasingly chaotic.

The scheme's website is full of useful and interesting information. As well as opening times, directions and facilities, it reveals the story of each location's Celtic history. How it came to be named and who the saint was that founded it.

Further details of the Celtic Quiet Places can be found here:

[New website for Celtic Quiet Places - Truro Diocese : Truro Diocese](#)

ST ERTH FILM CLUB

Doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start at St Erth Church Hall. The cost is just £3.00 for members (£6.00 including entry for non-members).

Please contact Joyce Darvell, Tel: 01736 757169, Email: joycedarvell@btinternet.com if you require more information, or just turn up on the night.

Saturday April 20 BARBIE

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Starring: Margot Robbie, Ryan Gosling, Issa Rae **Directed by:** Greta Gerwig **Certificate:** 12

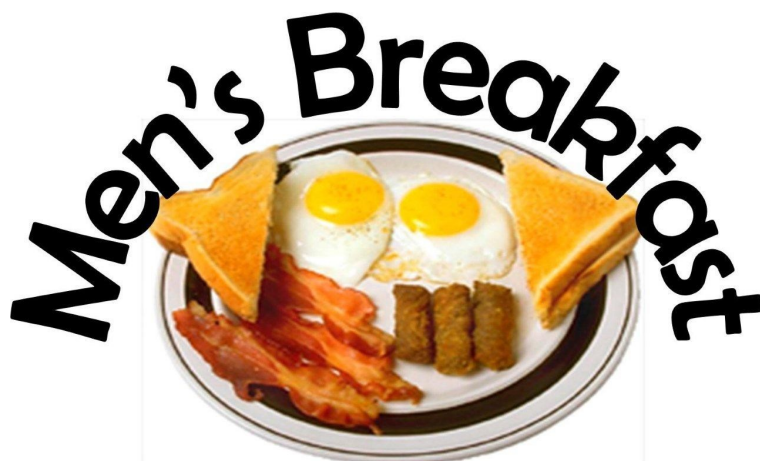


ST ERTH MESSY CHURCH

On Sunday March 4 we held our Messy Church and it is good to see that the numbers are picking up again. It is a joint venture between the two local St Erth Churches and is an ideal opportunity for Mums and Dads and other responsible family members to bring their young family for a fun packed session of simple table top games and crafts whereby they can get as messy as they like and learn by what they are doing; followed by a short family service aimed at the young ones and then

finish with a hot cooked meal for everyone. Parents can relax while the children enjoy themselves and the whole experience is completely free of charge.

The Messy Church theme this week was to understand that we are all part of God's great family. We are grateful to all the volunteers who organised the craft and games, and for those who cooked the meal.



MEN'S BREAKFASTS

We have had to make two changes for the next Men's Breakfasts:

They will now be on 13 April at Wall Methodist Hall and 13 July at St Erth Old School Room.

It was also agreed after 10 years to increase the contribution from £3 to £5 per person.

JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Deanery Children, Youth, and Families Workers (Full-time or Part-time available)

Application deadline: Friday 19 April 2024

Interviews: Thursday 25 April 2024

Start Date: ASAP on or after the 6 May 2024

<u>Application Form</u>	please return to penwithdeanery@gmail.com
Number of Roles:	2 Full Time Equivalent Posts (which could be configured as full or part-time posts)
Location:	Home based in Penwith with travel as the role requires
Working Hours:	Hours will need to be flexible and arranged with the line manager - weekend and evening working will be unavoidable.
Salary:	£28,000 (FTE, Pro-Rata for Part Time).
Employer:	St Ives PCC acting on behalf of Penwith Deanery.
Pension:	An occupational pension is provided with this position.

Overview:

We are looking to employ a small team of talented Youth, Children and Young Families Workers who will work together across our deanery to grow the work amongst this demographic in our parishes. Through these workers we will hope to see a dramatic increase in the number of contacts between our churches and the children and young people in our communities. Whilst this may not be on a Sunday or as part of traditional church, we hope and pray that it will result in a serious and sustained engagement with faith by many of those with whom we make a connection.

We are looking for someone with a passion for investing in the lives of children and young people to see them grow and flourish as people, and in their Christian faith. We are particularly looking for someone with a heart for those living in deprivation and feeling the effects of social inequality, who has a gift for understanding children and young people and who can work effectively as part of a team, contributing to a collaborative and supportive work environment.

For more details, see the full role description [here](#).

Or email: penwithdeanery@gmail.com

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DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTIONS: BISHOP HUGH INVITES YOU TO CONSIDER STANDING

Bishop Hugh writes, I invite you to join with me in supporting an important part of our work together as a diocese – our Diocesan Synod.

Diocesan Synod is the main representative body of the clergy and lay people of the diocese. Members meet with the bishops, archdeacons and other senior officers to consider our life together and to discuss our direction as a diocese, to give thanks for God's blessings, and to understand our opportunities and challenges.

"Synod" means "coming together and finding a way" – Diocesan Synod is a vital coming together as leaders from across the diocese to find our way under God. To do this well we need members from different communities and traditions who represent the whole life of the church in Cornwall, the Isles of Scilly, and our parishes in Devon. We work best when we hear voices from different

backgrounds, experience and ages. Synod is an opportunity to speak up and be heard, to listen carefully, and to take part in leadership.

You matter in this work, you matter for your church and your community and for the diocese. Your faith, tradition and experience matter, I want to hear your voice on Diocesan Synod.

There is more information below, please take time to pray and consider whether you might be called to serve on Diocesan Synod, how to commend this work to others, and to offer the work of Synod to God.

[DOWNLOAD A POSTER FOR YOUR CHURCH HERE](#)

[FIND OUT MORE HERE](#)



EXPLORING EASTER IN CARMARTH SOUTH

The Easter fun started early for 280 children from seven schools around Falmouth, Penryn, and surrounding villages.

Over the course of one week, 18 volunteers helped run nine sessions of Explore Easter at four churches in the Carmarth South Deanery.

Jane Wheeler, Schools and Families Lead for Carmarth South, created an Easter workshop to help teachers with tricky RE objectives and the sessions were well received. The workshops included making collage pictures, drawing, reflection, drama and watching the Bible story unfold on a video called 'The Miracle Maker'.

The children engaged with all the activities and learned about Jesus as well as having fun. Jane said: "Teachers have loved watching their children be curious and ask questions. One Penryn Primary Academy teacher told me: 'Bringing the children out of school to do this has been great. They surprised us by how well they listened and engaged with the activities.' It was good for our volunteers too. One was so excited and happy to be involved that she asked at the end 'When can we do it again?'"

Jane Wheeler is Schools and Families Lead for Carmarth South Deanery. If you'd like to contact her about this workshop or any other resources, please do so by email: jane.wheeler@newstreetchurch.org



Congratulations to the Cross of St Piran recipients for 2024

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BISHOP HUGH SHARES HIS EASTER MESSAGE

We hear a lot these days about 'Christian values'. And those values really matter - it matters that we are kind, that we treat one another as we want to be treated and that we respect others whether we agree with them or not.

Those are each deeply Christian ways of living in the world, and they are rooted in the teaching of the church over millennia. But they're not uniquely Christian and many traditions and perspectives, both religious and secular, happily live by them too.

What is distinctively Christian, and what marks out Christianity from every other faith and belief system is Jesus' resurrection. Because everyone knows that dead people don't come to life; the first followers of Jesus in the 1st century knew it, and we know it now. When someone is crucified, that's the end.

But the beating heart of Christian faith is that Jesus Christ, a human being like you and me, died and then rose again. In the Book of Revelation Jesus himself says it clearly - 'I am the



Living One, I was dead and now I am alive.'

And that impossible truth is the real heart of what it means to be a Christian. That Jesus rose from the dead and, in that moment, the usual pattern of things - life followed by death - was turned upside down.

And from that greatest truth flow the other reversals of what's 'normal' that define the deepest of Christian values. For instance, everything we in the world see tells us that powerful people who are in charge get to have the final word - but all the power of the Roman Empire didn't manage to keep Jesus dead.

[READ THE FULL MESSAGE HERE](#)



NEW ARCHDEACON OF CORNWALL APPOINTED

The Revd Clive Hogger has been appointed as the next Archdeacon of Cornwall.

Clive, who is currently Associate Archdeacon in the Diocese of Sheffield, will be installed at a service in Truro Cathedral in early June 2024.

Clive's arrival will see him bring a wealth of experience especially around the issues of stigmatised and impoverished people and mental health.

Joining Clive in his move to the diocese will be his wife Ali and their Labrador Teddy.

Clive said: "I'm truly excited to have sensed a call from God to come and serve with you in Cornwall, to discover the riches of your Celtic heritage and to participate in encouraging all the people of God to join in with God's mission to the world. I look forward to getting to know you and journeying with you."

HOW YOUR CHURCH CAN BRING ABOUT POSITIVE CHANGE WORKSHOP

Transformation Cornwall are leading a workshop on Tuesday, April 23 which will highlight how to build a project in your church for your community.

The online session, which runs from 10am - 11am, will look at a community-asset based approach, the effect of this on sustainability and impact for your community, funding, and the benefits of evaluation.

It will be discussion led with opportunities to discuss ideas, and case studies of social action project success.

[MORE INFORMATION & BOOKING LINK HERE](#)

DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION APPOINTED

Lee Moscato has been appointed as the new Diocesan Director of Education (DDE) in the Diocese of Truro.

Lee joined the diocese on secondment in September last year having previously worked as headteacher of King Charles C of E School in Falmouth.

Diocesan Secretary Simon Cade said: "We are delighted for Lee, for our church schools, and for the wider diocesan network. Lee brings his experience as school leader and headteacher and great work supporting other schools and school leaders. Lee has already made a significant contribution to the life of the diocese and our schools in the short time that he has held the interim role, it is great that he will now be able to carry that forward and see more great outcomes for children and for our churches."

Lee has worked in education for 25 years. He said of his new role: "I feel incredibly



excited and privileged to be appointed as Diocesan Director of Education.

"I look forward to working with school colleagues and our diocesan team to support the continued journey of our schools and enable our children and young people to know life in all its fullness."



CELEBRATING LAY MINISTRY

A service celebrating Lay Ministry was held at Truro Cathedral over the weekend.

The cathedral was full as Local Worship Leaders, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Local Pioneer Leaders, and Local Lay Leaders along with friends and family attended the annual service which recognises and celebrates the work of the diocese's commissioned lay ministers.

Nine Local Pastoral Ministers, seven Local Worship Leaders, and four Local Lay Leaders were commissioned into their roles by Bishop Hugh Nelson

during the service. They were joined by 17 Local Pastoral Ministers, and 12 Local Worship Leaders who were recommissioned.

Lydia Remick, one of the diocesan Lay Ministry Development Officers, said after the service: "It was wonderful to see so many people in Truro Cathedral to celebrate and give thanks for the vital work of our lay ministers. There are so many unsung heroes who give their time and energies to our parishes and communities, to highlight them in this service we hope goes some way to ensuring they know how valued and appreciated they are."

MILLENNIUM YEW TREES AVAILABLE

In 2000 a number of 'Millennium' Yew trees were planted in Cornwall and now 12 descendants from one of these original trees are being offered to churches.

The Millennium Yew Tree Project was designed to revitalise the yew to become symbols of community and signs of creation. George and

Jacqueline Dow have nurtured 12 saplings from these original trees and are keen to offer them to churches or individuals. The trees have recently been re-potted and are ready to move to their forever homes.

If you are interested, please contact Jacqueline Dow via email at dow47@hotmail.com

ST SAMPSON RISES

St Sampson's Church, South Hill, Cornwall is halfway to raising £300K of the £600K needed for its Herculean restoration project to make the church sustainable for the 21st century and beyond by restoring the unique heritage, increasing community use and growing the congregation.

St Sampson's celebration day, on Sunday, April 7, starts with a thanksgiving service at 11.15am lead by Archdeacon Kelly Betteridge, followed by lunch and an open afternoon at 1.30pm, of tours, talks and exhibits, highlighting the completed works. Delicious cream teas will be served in the afternoon, with a celebration serpent cake symbolising St Sampson slaying the giant serpent, and a glass of bubbly to end the festivities.

Spokeswoman Judith Ayers said: "We thought we should celebrate our amazing achievement and give thanks for the work done and the funds raised so far. This is an example of what can be done with much enthusiasm and determination."

[READ MORE HERE](#)

GETTING TOGETHER

Holy Trinity Church in St Austell brought together young and old over lunch to build intergenerational bridges.

The Inspire group (65+) hosted a lunch for the younger church members and seeds were sown for future friendships.

While conversation flowed over lunch, there was then a question and answer section with people taking turns to ask questions and find out about each other.

Perhaps one of the most revealing moments was when the Youth Lead explained what the church was doing not only with our church families but for those in our schools and the wider community. This was new information to some of the older members.

The event opened up the gap between the two ends of the church family and hope is already growing. A passing comment as an older person passed a younger person on the way out: "Thank you for coming ...see you next Sunday!"

TRAINING SESSIONS FOR PARISHES 2024
SIGN UP TODAY!

PARISH TRAINING OFFERS 2024

SEE THE FULL BROCHURE HERE

Why are we doing this?
 One of the aims of the team at Church House is to provide support for people in the parishes, whether clergy, PCC officers, lay ministers, lay preachers or volunteers.

What is a training session?
 We offer a variety of training courses on offer in 2024. Attendance is free and we offer refreshments.

What are the sessions about?
 The sessions are designed to help you develop your skills and knowledge in a variety of areas including: leadership, pastoral care, evangelism, and more.

Who can attend?
 All are welcome to attend any of the sessions, unless otherwise stated.

How to book?
 Please contact the Training Team on 01752 234567 or email training@churchhouse.org

What's the cost?
 All sessions are free of charge, but we do ask for a contribution towards the cost of refreshments.

Where are the sessions held?
 All sessions are held at Church House, Truro.

More information?
 Please visit our website www.churchhouse.org or contact the Training Team on 01752 234567.

'POWERFUL' SAFEGUARDING CONFERENCE TAKES PLACE

"Challenging" and "powerful" were just two of the words used to describe a safeguarding conference held at Truro Cathedral this week.

The conference, which was looking at trauma informed theology and how the Church can implement a trauma-informed approach, featured speakers including victims and survivors, independent experts, and organisations who work with victims and survivors. It was organised by the Diocese of Truro safeguarding team.

Head of Safeguarding and Diocesan Safeguarding Officer Andy Earl said: "I was delighted to present our second annual conference as we develop our understanding of a Trauma Informed Response. I am grateful for the courage of those who shared their lived experience and for the commitment to embrace what it is to be a Trauma Informed Diocese."

Among those taking part was Chris, a survivor. Chris said: "It was a privilege as a survivor to be asked to speak. I hope it was useful to people attending and hopefully, as survivors we pray that we may start to see the small changes that would make a big difference."

Chris went on to note the work of the diocese. "You have an excellent safeguarding team and have a real opportunity to lead the way in terms of trauma informed safeguarding."

Speaking after the conference, Bishop Hugh Nelson, said: "We were privileged to hear important, brave, and powerful input from survivors of church abuse and their advocates at the Safeguarding



WATCH HERE

Conference today. Huge thanks to everyone involved and everyone who came."

Parish safeguarding officers, churchwardens, clergy, ordinands, lay leaders and diocesan and cathedral staff were all encouraged to attend alongside partners from other agencies.

Reflecting on the conference, Revd Becca Bell tweeted: "So much to chew over from the #safeguarding conference. There is amazing work that goes on. But also, a long way to go. It was really valuable to hear a range of voices and thoughts."

Anne Hicles, a local pastoral minister from St Ives, tweeted: "I learned a lot and it was well worthwhile."

Highlighting the points made by speaker Antonia Sobocká, who is Director for LOUDFence UK, Esmé Page said: "It takes a whole church to heal a whole church! Antonia Sobocká sharing powerful, global survivor solidarity work of #LOUDfence today. Truly inspiring – and there's a LOUDfence in Truro Cathedral to add to right now."

LOUDFence is still available to see at Truro Cathedral, so do visit and add your message.

BUILDINGS FOR MISSION: REPAIR GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Buildings for Mission Minor Repairs and Improvements Grants Fund is open to all churches in the diocese who want to repair or improve their church building, to secure the fabric of the building, or to grow and support mission within the church.

There are two types of grants available: small grants, up to £5000, and large grants of £5,000 – £8,000.

Churches can apply for any repair or

improvement works that meet the eligibility criteria. Where greater works are required, the Faye Edwardes, the Church Buildings Support Officer, will signpost and support applying for further funding. The grants will be issued to support the deanery plan visions and will be managed by Faye, who will work closely with the applicant church, the DAC, the Change and Renewal team, and the Deanery Implementation Team (DIT).

FIND OUT MORE HERE

WHAT'S ON

APRIL

20 Big World Fair, Truro Cathedral, 10am - 3.30pm. Click on the title for more info.

23 How your Church can bring about positive change in your community, with Transformation Cornwall, Online, 10am - 11am. Click on title for more info.

MORE EVENTS HERE

CREATION CARE NETWORK USEFUL LINKS

The next Creation Care Network gathering is on Thursday, April 11 (7pm). All are via the Zoom [link](#).

- + [CREATION CARE WEB PAGE](#)
- + [REGISTER FOR THE KERNOW GREEN CHURCH AWARD](#)
- + [BECOME A CREATION CARE CHAMPION](#)
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- + [CREATION CARE FACEBOOK GROUP](#)

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PODCASTS



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A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
We pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them,
We for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at
risk and that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Stephen Cottrell