

## February Services

### Sunday 9 February

**3pm Phillack Taizé/Holy Communion**

11am Gwithian Holy Communion

11am Gwinear Holy Communion

9.30am Eucharist

9.30am St Erth Holy Communion

### Sunday 16 February

9.15am Phillack Holy Communion

10.30am Gwithian Breakfast; 11am come as you are

10.30am Gwinear at Wall

4pm St Elwyn's Choral Evensong

9.30am St Erth Holy Communion

### Sunday 23 February

**3pm Phillack Cafe Church/Holy Communion**

11am Gwithian Holy Communion

11am Gwinear Holy Communion

9.30am St Elwyn's Eucharist

#### PHILLACK CHURCH

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

#### GWINEAR CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

#### GWITHIAN CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

#### MEET & PRAY

Mondays 10.30 -11am ASDA Café. Arriving from 10am, grab a drink first. All welcome!!

#### TARRYING

The next tarrying meetings will be on Thursday 27 February at Gwinear Church? Meetings are from 7-8pm. In future we will continue to meet at 7pm on the last Thursday of each month, the venue alternating

#### COPPERHOUSE COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Phillack Church Memorial Hall.

Copperhouse, Hayle

**11.30-2.30pm**

All welcome - we meet every Thursday, for lunch included, soup and roll to start with and refreshments.

#### ST ERTH COMMUNITY CAFÉ

St Erth Church Hall .

We meet Fridays 12noon to

2.30pm during the cold winter months. Come and relax in a warm and welcoming environment. Light refreshments available and free Wi-Fi.

#### GWITHIAN CRAFTY WARM SPACE

Runs each Friday from 1pm until 3pm with soup and light refreshments. Bring your own craft to work on or enjoy our participate in one of our small workshops. No need to book, just turn up on the day and enjoy the friendly welcome!

#### Lent Course - Hope in Hard Places

Our Lent Course will run for 6 weeks beginning

Tuesday 11 March,

12.30 -2pm

We will meet at Phillack Memorial Hall, Copperhouse, Hayle, TR27 4HE.

A Lenten lunch will be provided, followed by a 15minute introduction to the session then opportunity for discussion in small groups.

This year Lent course material is produced by Embrace (the Middle East Christian charity) If you would like to find out more please follow the link below.

<https://embraceme.org/lent>

If you would like to attend, please speak to the Church warden and sign up at the back of church, so we know how many books to order in advance, at the cost of £4.99 each.

#### Phillack Church - Afternoon Service time changes

**During February and March the 2nd & 4th services of the month, will start an hour earlier to allow the congregation to go home in the light and then return to 4pm after BST begins.**

#### ST ERTH 99 CLUB

Winners were drawn on Sunday 26 January by Marilyn Lawry. The winner was No 19 Patricia Murley; second No 9 Joy McClean; third No 70 Jim Oliver.

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.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE FOR 2025**



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## Gwithian Church

### 'Come As You Are'

You are warmly invited to join the church family at Gwithian on the third Sunday of each month as they host a 'come as you are' service. Starting at 10.30 am with a FREE BREAKFAST followed by a short session of themed worship and crafting, which is in turn followed by more fellowship and refreshments.

**ALL WELCOME**

**NO NEED TO BOOK, JUST TURN UP!**

*The photo shows Bryher and Lowen who enjoyed writing and sharing pledges they made to help the church's wildlife art throughout the winter together with prayers of gratitude for the congregation's pets.*

### ST ERTH CHURCH HALL (Old School Room)



#### Session Times

Morning	9.00 to 13.00	Projector and screen	£40
Afternoon	13.30 to 17.30	Microphone	£10
Evening	18.00 to 23.00	Heating is paid separately	£1 or £2 coins in the meter

#### Fees per session

Regular Community users	£15	Booking Secretary:	Jill Sharpless 01736 756896
Community hire	£30	Committee:	Barbara Read 01736 758233
Corporate/Social hire	£50		Derek Tilby 01736 756805

For more information about St Erth Church Hall (Old School) or to make a booking, click on the QR Code.



ST ERTH CHURCH HALL  
IS AVAILABLE TO HIRE

Click on QR code for full details



### ST ERTH CHURCH 99 CLUB

#### FIRST PRIZE

Bottle of Whisky, Gin, Vodka or £10

PLUS TWO OTHER PRIZES OF WINE or £5

Cost is £1 for each draw which takes place every 2 weeks or £26 per annum.

If you would like to support the church by joining the 99 club or would like to give a donation to the church please contact Frank Nolan 01736 756179.

# ST ERTH FILM CLUB

## Saturday 22 February

### The Road Dance

#### 7 for 7.30pm St Erth Church Hall

A young girl lives in the Outer Hebrides in a small village in the years just before WWI. Isolated and hard by the shore, her life takes a dramatic change when a terrible tragedy befalls her.

**Starring:** Hermione Corfield, Will Fletcher, Mark Gatiss

**Directed by:** Richie Adams

**Certificate:** 15

**Cost £3 for members**

**£6 incl entry for non-members**

### Saturday 22 March

### The Fall Guy

After leaving the business one year earlier, battle-scarred stuntman Colt Seavers springs back into action when the star of a big studio movie suddenly disappears. As the mystery surrounding the missing actor deepens, Colt soon finds himself ensnared in a sinister plot that pushes him to the edge of a fall more dangerous than any stunt.

**Starring:** Emily Blunt, Ryan Gosling, Hannah Waddingham  
**Directed by:** David Leitch  
**Certificate:** 15



# Royal Cornwall Show Coach, Entrance & Pasty

## £15.25

### See below



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#### Royal Cornwall Show coach trip – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025

I am writing to invite anyone associated with your group, *aged 50 and over and living in any of the following postcode areas*, to join us on our annual coach trip to the Royal Cornwall Show:

**TR10, TR11, TR12, TR13, TR14, TR15, TR16, TR17, TR18, TR19, TR20, TR26, TR27**

Thanks to the support from the Royal Cornwall Agricultural Association, we will be providing transport to and from the Showground, entry to the Showground and a lovely pasty lunch at the discounted cost of only **£15.25** per person. We will provide a marquee throughout the day for any of the group to rest their legs and enjoy conversation. A refreshing beverage will be available from 3.15 – 4pm at no extra cost.

If you or anyone associated with your group would like to take part in this offer, please complete the attached forms and return to Jeff Edwards, in the post to our address at Boscawen House above, or by e-mail (jeffrey.edwards@ageukcornwall.org.uk), *as soon as possible, as places are limited*; allocations will be on a *first-come, first-served* basis, and once the maximum number of places is reached, no further bookings can be accepted. It would be helpful if the forms could be received by **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April**, with any booking adjustments and payments to be received by no later than **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**.

**Please note:** All guests must be physically able to cope with getting on and off a coach, coach transport, the terrain of the Royal Cornwall Showground, a significant walk from the Showground car park to our marquee and back, and the anticipated volume of people, as well as potentially very warm or wet weather. Individuals requiring support may be accompanied by a family member/carer, who will also be required to pay £15.25. **This offer is only valid using one of our coaches for travel to and from the Showground**; the offer is not valid for those who wish to use alternative forms of transport.

I look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions or queries about the event or this offer, please feel free to call me on 01872 223388 or 01872 266384.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ann Lewis'.

Ann Lewis  
Director of Transport

# OUR NEWS

## FEBRUARY 2025



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## LISTED PLACES OF WORSHIP SCHEME EXTENDED

The Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme (LPWGS) has been extended for one year and capped at £23 million.

Under the extended scheme, individual places of worship are eligible for a maximum of £25,000 grant.

The Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme was launched in 2001 and has been extended by every government

since then. The scheme provides grants covering the VAT on repairs costing more than £1000 to listed buildings used as places of worship. It was due to expire at the end of March and the announcement to extend it was made on January 22, 2025.

The diocese building and land teams have been active in supporting the call to extend the scheme including

writing to local MPs to explain how important the scheme has been in protecting the 256 listed churches in the Diocese of Truro.

If you would like more information about how to claim VAT back on church repair works, please visit the DCMS website [here](#).

Read the CoFE press release [here](#).

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## CHALLENGING THE MYTH: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SAFEGUARDING CONFERENCE

TRURO CATHEDRAL  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24  
10.30AM - 3PM

This invitation is for Parish Safeguarding Officers, incumbents, churchwardens, and other church leaders to attend.

There will be an opportunity to hear from survivors and practitioners, explore how churches can recognise, respond, assist, and encourage those affected by Domestic Abuse.

It will provide an opportunity to view artwork created by survivors and interact with national and local support organisations in a market place.

Keynote speaker on the day is Dr Maryyum Mehmood, Research and Policy Advisor (Spiritual Abuse Lead) to the Domestic Abuse Commissioner of England and Wales. Her area of specialism covers societally marginalised groups, and she leads on the Office's work on spiritual or faith-based abuse, honour-based violence, harmful practices and international affairs.

BOOK HERE <https://bookwhen.com/trurodiocese/e/ev-sfcu-20250224103000>



## PODCASTS

### NEW PODCAST! SAFEGUARDING

The latest CMD bitesize podcast from the diocese focuses on safeguarding.

This programme may be upsetting to some as it covers the topics of safeguarding, sexual violence and abuse in a church setting. In the latest CMD Bitesize podcast, Rebecca Evans talks to the diocesan Head of Safeguarding Andy Earl, Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Officer Lora Prynn, Bishop Hugh Nelson and Martin Christmas-Nelson, Interim Head of Sexual Violence Services at First Light Cornwall. If you need support, please visit: <https://trurodiocese.org.uk/resources/safeguarding/support-agencies/>

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# GROWING A CHURCH IN A CARE HOME

While the Covid pandemic may be five years ago now, the impact of it is still being felt in many communities. In Looe Valley Benefice, the repercussions of that time have had a surprising and positive effect in one place.

During the lockdowns the churches in the benefice had limited contact with the care homes in the area. As soon as the restrictions lifted, a decision was made to return to Hillcrest House care home and to provide worship for residents on a regular basis.

Revd Stephen Guffick, curate in the benefice, said: "As a church, we obviously value the prayers of those who can no longer get out to services, and we hoped regular short services in the home might help those residents feel seen, loved, valued and ministered to. This has developed, however, into something more resembling its own new church plant!"

Residents, alongside staff members, have started to help with choosing hymns and reading the lessons and intercessions.

They have even created a hymn board. Relatives sometimes join in a service as well, and this month they have taken delivery of a new altar cross from a local community group, the Shedders.

## IT IS ITS OWN CONGREGATION

Revd Stephen says: "There is no sense it is the local church doing a service for the care home. It is its own congregation within our benefice."

Johanne Thompson, activities coordinator at the home, says: "Our services are bespoke to our community. It gives residents spiritual recognition and pastoral care. Our residents take ownership of their services, they are happy to take on reading and construct and read out prayers."

When residents are unable to take part in the main service, they are visited for a chat in their rooms by one of the team, so that they can continue to benefit from pastoral care and a sense of being involved.

The Hillcrest community has put back into the benefice too with collections and they contributed to the recent Christmas tree festival at Morval Church by making and displaying their own tree alongside the others on display.

The Hillcrest church, which meets on alternate Tuesdays, is regularly attended by 25 to 30 people including residents, staff, and the wider benefice congregations, with staff who are busy elsewhere even leaving prayers to be read out by residents on occasions.

## AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Revd Stephen added: "Services follow a familiar format of readings, prayers, hymns, and a sermon of no more than two or three minutes, perhaps making this church the envy of many around the county! There is always a time of fellowship and prayer following each service and we all consider each other family. It is an important part of the kingdom of God in South East Cornwall."

# GIVE TO GO GREEN & DOUBLE YOUR DONATIONS

Give To Go Green is a match-funding project from the Church of England helping you double your locally raised donations for carbon-cutting projects, offering match funding up to 10K! Fundraising has to be done through digital giving using Give a Little either through online giving or your contactless device. The project is available only in a few dioceses but Truro diocese has been invited to join it.

If you are fundraising for an environmental, carbon cutting project in your church this could be ideal for

you. If you are not already using Give a Little your generous giving advisor can help you to set this up.

## MORE INFO HERE



# PARISH TRAINING OFFERS

During February there are a number of **FREE** parish training offers available.

## AT A GLANCE

- Feb 3: Safeguarding Leadership training
- Feb 5: How to run your APCM from start to finish
- Feb 10: Safeguarding leadership training
- Feb 13: Creation Care Network Gathering
- Feb 19: Safeguarding Leadership training
- Feb 25: Church Buildings, Net Zero & Creation Care Workshop
- Feb 26: Safeguarding Leadership training

If you are interested in any or all of the above, you can find out more and book by visiting the diocesan website [here](#).



## CREATION CARE NETWORK USEFUL LINKS

The next Creation Care Network gathering is on Thursday, February 13, 7pm). All are via the Zoom [link](#).

- + CREATION CARE WEB PAGE
- + REGISTER FOR THE KERNOW GREEN CHURCH AWARD

- + BECOME A CREATION CARE CHAMPION
- + SIGN UP TO RECEIVE CREATION CARE UPDATES
- + CREATION CARE FACEBOOK GROUP

Encouraging links between churches & their local schools

## SCHOOL CREATION CARE WORKSHOPS

Are you passionate about Creation Care? Would you like to forge links with your local school? Would you like to work with children in your church?

The Creation Care Resources on a set of resources designed for churches that wish to engage with their local schools. Many churches and other groups provide an amazing resource for young people to experience the wonder of nature and learn about the world around them.

Download the free pack from our website: [Creation Care Workshops for Schools](#) & [How to engage with your local school](#)

All you need to organise and run Creation Care Workshops for Schools in your church



## PARISH TRAINING 2025

The 2025 Parish Training Programme is now available. You can see what is available throughout the year [here](#) or download the brochure [here](#).

# VACANCIES: OPPORTUNITIES TO INFLUENCE THE FUTURE & WORK OF OUR DIOCESE

### VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEE

With the announcement of our new bishop, the previous Vacancy in See committee, who did tremendous work towards that appointment, must now stand down.

We invite you to consider putting yourself forward to join the new one.

Every three years our diocese elects a new Vacancy in See committee. In accordance with the Vacancy in See Committees Regulation 2024, a committee should be in place at all times, in case of a vacancy in the office of the diocesan bishop. The term of the previous elected members of this diocese's committee came to an end on December 31, 2024 (being the year in which a new Diocesan Synod was elected).

The work of the Vacancy in See Committee in preparing for the appointment of a new diocesan bishop would be like the role of a PCC preparing a parish profile, but on a diocese-wide scale. Its work would require several

meetings over a period of six months or so. Crucially, the committee elects six from amongst its number to form part of the Crown Nominations Commission, which decides who should be recommended to the Crown to be appointed as the next Bishop of Truro.

Its composition is a mixture of ex officio (x12) including the clergy and lay members who were elected to serve on the current General Synod and elected members. It is expected that there will be at least 21 members.

We will be shortly issuing details of the election of the remaining members of the committee. There are spaces for both lay and clergy to be elected. Individuals will need to be nominated by a member of Diocesan Synod. More details on this will be sent to the members of Diocesan Synod.

### DIOCESAN BOARD OF PATRONAGE - CASUAL VACANCIES

Church patronage has a long history in the life of the church. Patronage is the right to put forward a person to take

up a particular type of Clergy post: – to 'present' a person to a Church of England benefice.

The Diocesan Board of Patronage holds the right of patronage in relation to certain benefices in the diocese, and meets to act as and when necessary, which may be as little as once or twice a year for a short meeting.

There are currently spaces for three clergy and four lay members.

Membership is open to any Clerk in Holy Orders beneficed in or licensed to any parish in the diocese and any lay person aged 16 + and a communicant member of the Church of England. Members are nominated and elected by members of the Bishop's Diocesan Council.

As this election is to fill casual vacancies, the term of office would end in 2027 (it started in 2021).

**If you have any questions on either of these committees, or would like to put yourself or someone else forward for this election, please contact [april.bullard@truro.anglican.org](mailto:april.bullard@truro.anglican.org).**

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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 pray 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**