

# PARISH NEWS

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VERYAN AND RUAN LANIHORNE NOVEMBER 2014

**Bishop Tim came to Veryan last month as part of our school's 200th birthday celebrations**



*We're busy compiling a record of the whole week's events and hope to add a special supplement to the December magazine.*

*Note from the editor: The November magazine went to press before all the school celebrations had taken place!*

## **VERYAN CHURCH HEATING HAS BEEN COMPLETED!**

**Through the generosity of many individuals and organisations it has been paid for, so now we can use it!**

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## **Remembrance**



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# IN YOUR GARDEN

*this month*

In 1993 we purchased a rotovator for the garden. We were then living in the east of the country on heavy clay and since then the rotovator has moved with us and completed tasks in three gardens. It has also been lent out to friends and scoured the ground in local commercial tomato tunnels. It is a magnificent little work horse and with 21 years of faithful service, has never gone wrong or needed mending – until last month. When cleaning it down after a massive rotovating job we both agreed we would have to invest in new tines for the dear chap. Some were broken off, others were well worn, and we were working on 50% tine capacity. So we rang the manufacturer who asked us to send the tines back and they would replace them as they have a lifetime guarantee. 4 days later the brand new tines arrived. Who says customer service doesn't exist any more?

I rang the company and told them how pleased we were with the service and told them I would give them a mention in this article for which they were very grateful. Apparently people never ring to say thank you. Shocking!

So the beloved rotovator is a Mantis, the basic model, which I can wield happily as it only weighs 11kg (24lbs). They are £150 cheaper now than they were when I bought mine so that's a hefty reduction over the years. They have extended the range with bigger and better models but the basic one has done every normal garden job I could have asked for, plus extras! (I make no apology for the advert; this little beast is worth more than its weight in gold for time saved and jobs done so well.

[www.mantis.co.uk](http://www.mantis.co.uk)).

We also bought the rake scarifiers which attach to the machine instead of the tines and this makes scarifying the lawn a doddle.

This job can be done in spring or autumn, or indeed both, and it removes all the dead thatch and moss and gives the lawn room to breathe and grow. Scarification should only be carried out when the lawn is growing strongly, so that may extend our season somewhat down here when the lawns barely stop growing. Most modern lawns have fescue grasses which definitely need scarifying: it is only a purely rye grass lawn where it is unnecessary. If you don't have machinery then a wire rake will do the job reasonably well and give you more exercise than you want. Before raking or scarifying cut the lawn and remove all the fallen leaves. Of course the alternative to all of this is to turn the lawn into a border and save all the fuss! I love to see a good lawn but cannot bear to see a bad one, is it worth the hassle?

**Leaves** – well, most of them fell during a couple of windy nights in October and suddenly everywhere is covered in them. They are not a waste product in the garden but full of goodness if treated correctly. When leaves are rotted down they become leaf mould which is a crumbly brown material that looks like peat but contains much more goodness and is an excellent peat substitute in homemade composts. For example, if you have access to leaf mould you can sow spring vegetables much earlier into colder soil by putting a layer of leaf mould in the seed drill. It gives seeds a warm home and gets them off to a good start.

There are several ways to make leaf mould and, as with so much in gardening, you have to be patient. If you put leaves on a compost heap they do not rot down as quickly as the other matter and come out still whole.

So rake them up with a wire or rubber rake or with one of those leaf sweepers or electric leaf suckers. Leaves are full of lignin which delays the rotting period but if they are mulched down by being picked up with a lawn mower then they will rot more quickly, scientific evidence says 10 times more quickly if they are mulched up.

Ordinary compost in your heap is decomposed by bacteria but leaves are rotted down by fungi. The old gardeners used to put the leaves in a chicken wire enclosure with four stakes at the corners and tread them down and wait for a year or so.

A quicker but less beautiful way is to put them in plastic bags add a few lawn mowings and put holes in the bags. Tie the tops and leave them somewhere out of sight to rot down. They should be ready for use during next summer and I promise you will not be disappointed by the resulting black gold.

## Other jobs for November:

If you have planted **tulips** then you were too early! They are best planted in the first two weeks of November to avoid various nasty things that can distort the flower. If you are planting them in the ground then choose a sunny spot. Once they are over they like to bake and don't like being covered by the vegetation around them. An easy way is to plant them next to flag irises which also like to bake and have foliage that will not cover the tulips. In pots they like good drainage so incorporate grit.

**Lilies** can be planted from now until April; again, they like good drainage so put on a grit bed.

It's bare root time so **new hedges and roses** can be purchased much more cheaply as bare root plants. Give the plants a good soaking especially if they have been in the post, but a few hours in a bucket is fine. Any longer and they will drown.

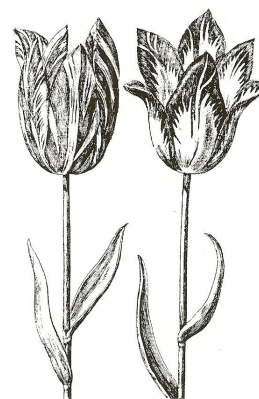
**Fruit trees and bushes** can be pruned now. Aim for a goblet shape with upright trees and soft fruit bushes like gooseberries and red currants. Open up the centre and remove dead, diseased and dying branches and twigs.

**Plant new fruit trees** now; again you can buy bare root and the internet is the cheapest way but as always look out for those dastardly delivery charges!

**Bring in any succulents.** Most do not mind cold but they hate wet feet all winter. A bit like me really!

It's not long until I plan to put my feet in the Red Sea soon and *despite* all that I have ever written about my dear friend Gilbert he is looking after things here for me, including the piggies!! What a star, I don't deserve him!

**NB**



## From the Vicarage

Has the Church, as Dean Acheson, (US Secretary of State under President Truman), said of Great Britain, lost an Empire and not yet found a rôle?

At many times in the past, (and indeed in many parts of the world today), the Church's rôle was very clear. It set precise, if not always compassionate, moral guidance, with some of which we might not agree. The Church provided care for people who were sick or in need. Hospitality and security was provided for travellers. Veryan Church of England School is celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary on its present site - the earlier provision was actually in the church building.

Twenty-first century Europe is a much different collection of countries than in the past. Even in places where the churches are still strong many of the rôles formerly occupied by the Church are now carried out by secular organisations.

It is clear that there is no going back in time. Far fewer people attend Sunday services than even just twenty years ago. The regular pattern of worship seems to appeal to an ever decreasing number.

And yet . . .

And yet the Church does still have a place in the life of the local community. Far too often this year, it feels, St Symphorian's Church has been full and over-flowing when people have paid their last respects to those who

have died. Weddings and Baptisms may be fewer, although that is more of a reflection on the demography of the area, but there is an appreciative response for the services.

Many churches are realising their potential, as often the largest building in a parish, by hosting other community events such as concerts and performances. These bring people into the building who often would not otherwise do so.

But that should not be all. There are many ways in which the Church and individual Christians can part a part in our local communities both through the various organisations and on a more intimate, one-to-one, basis.

For centuries the Church was in a very powerful position. Yet the image with which we are presented in the Bible often is

that of the servant. Perhaps that is the role we are looking for.

May you feel the warmth of God's love and care,

*Fr Doug.*

*The Bishop of Truro  
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### *Joyce wonders 'what to write about at 2 am?'*

This is often the time that I listen to our grandson -in-law preaching his sermons. He and Helen are living in Epping and on Sunday afternoons he puts himself on YouTube so that I and many others can catch up with him whenever we wish. Better still, last Sunday afternoon I managed to get through to him and Helen on my tablet.

Derek and I meant to listen to a TV programme about the impact of the Scottish referendum but fell asleep even before it began. Luckily we recorded it: another bit of modern technology to get to grips with.

Then there are the telephones - most of which appear to be anything but, these days. I have a pretty pink one which I purchased at Asda for a fiver, but with no signal here at home I only use it in the car, and so rarely that the last time I tried I had forgotten how to turn it on... Derek's sister rang to complain that she was suffering from 'technological overload'. Her trusted microwave had collapsed but the new one has a smaller modern dial with too much information. Her mobile scooter was stuck in the hall and she couldn't see to plug it into the charger. She has no mobile phone and no tablet as she knew she would be unable to see the screen, and it made me realise how lucky I am. She is coming to stay soon and is currently working out how to get here by bus. I am sure she will make it, though her first calculation took four buses to get to Exeter!

*Joyce Goldie*

**VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR  
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**The Winter Night Shelter Cornwall (WNSC)**

The Winter Night Shelter Cornwall Project (WNSC) will provide night shelters in December and January.

Last winter we accommodated 111 rough sleepers and 75 % of these were helped into permanent accommodation as a result of their contact with the service. WNSC could be a life saver for those with no home and also provides companionship and food.

The night shelters need a large number of volunteers to make this project a success. Full training and expenses will be given to prepare for this challenging, but always rewarding service to those in most need.

**Cornwall Nightstop**

Cornwall Nightstop will help prevent young people from sleeping rough in Cornwall.

We are in need of volunteers to become Cornwall Nightstop hosts, who will provide an emergency bed for the night in their spare room for a 16 to 25 year old young person who find themselves with nowhere else to stay.

Cornwall Nightstop will be affiliated to the National organisation Depaul Nightstop UK and so will meet their quality assurance standards of service delivery and safe guarding.

Full training and support is provided. We also cover out of pocket expenses.

*'The simple act of offering the young person a bed gives the professional staff extra time to put appropriate care in place without leaving the young person in a vulnerable situation.'*

**If you would like to volunteer for either of these projects or need more information please contact**

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*Malcolm and Ann's journey continues...*

## INTO THE BOILING POT

The first major obstacle had been passed, nearly 4000 miles of sand. The second obstacle lay ahead, about 1600 miles of tropical jungle. But, for the time being we could relax on good roads, with good facilities to hand if anything went wrong, and Christmas around the corner. We entered Cameroon on 8<sup>th</sup> December with plans to meet up with our friends in the other VW at Victoria Beach, to spend Christmas by the sea..

There we found friendly locals and expatriates from the nearby oil refinery doing the same thing, making the most of a festive, tropical holiday. We asked Clare and Peter what they wanted for Christmas lunch. 'Bacon and eggs', came the reply – and so it was.

With batteries re-charged we set off on 29<sup>th</sup>, heading for

C.A.R., the Central African Republic. The following day we hit dirt roads, but good ones, so speed did not drop. On New Year's Day we drove past families gathered outside their huts – 'Bon Annee' came the cries – everyone was out celebrating and the good roads took us to Bangassou where we would enter Zaire, by crossing the river Dubangui, the first of four major river crossings in Zaire.

Here we met up with a group of three travelling south with a diesel Land-rover – Janet, Spencer and Stanley. The river crossing made a fitting start to three weeks of comedy, hard work and excitement. When we reached the ferry it was on the far side of the river but the crew were on our side. Sadly they told us their problem.

Their diesel tank was empty and, even if they had diesel, their batteries were flat and they could not start the engines. Prepared for this we gave them a can of diesel



and two batteries and Spencer and Stanley decided to cross the river with the crew to ensure their safety.

The transport consisted of a dugout canoe – the genuine article, a massive, shaped tree trunk. The river, some half mile wide, surged by with sullen power, its muddy waters making scarcely a ripple, its speed only marked by the occasional floating log. Hordes of black children played on the river banks and women stood knee deep washing brightly coloured clothes.

The jungle came right down to the water's edge, a green wall of trees, bushes and creepers like ropes,

brightly coloured birds in the trees, the occasional monkey swinging from branch to branch, the Equatorial jungle through which we had to pass. With everything loaded into the canoe it was pushed out into the stream. The motive power was three paddlers and away they went, a scene from some Hollywood film set, the 'African Queen' for real. Half way across the paddlers stopped and the canoe drifted.

It turned out that at this point, the owner of the canoe, who did not work for the ferry owners, decided to negotiate the fee for carrying the batteries over to the ferry, a nicely picked

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psychological moment when our representatives could hardly stage a walk-out and the interested spectators in the public gallery was a row of crocodiles lying like logs on the mud banks.

Not surprisingly agreement was quickly reached., the batteries safely delivered and the ferry started its laborious way across to our side.

It consisted of three pontoons joined together by a wooden deck, the condition of which left much to be desired. Whole slats were missing, nails stuck up and the metal work was rusted and bent. Worst of all were the loading ramps, wooden drawbridges on each side let down to meet the slipway. To make matters worse they met the slipway at an angle of about 45 degrees. It was impossible for any vehicle to get onto the ramp at that angle as the front of the vehicle hit the ramp before the wheels came off the slip.

To get around this two extra planks were provided – a sort of ramp leading to a ramp, lying between slip and ramp to bridge the angle. To make it worse the planks were of unequal length, so the heights were different, and one was split with a piece missing. We reviewed the loading arrangements with a jaundiced eye, assessing the possible damage if a vehicle fell off the planks or the split one broke. But we had no choice – do it or go back.

They inched the Landrover on first, high ground clearance and four wheeled drive giving it the advantage, that once two wheels were on the ferry it could pull itself on. A roar of the big engine and up it shot, negotiated the holes in the deck, dodged the worst nails, and parked. Now my turn. Without the advantage of high clearance and power I edged gently forward onto the planks. Wilma canted over so my

side hit the door. A pause while the others checked as far as possible then the shout, 'Go!', Wilma hesitated, nearly baulked, then the wheels caught and we shot up the planks and we were on. But that was only Stage 1 – we still had to get off. On the other side the performance was repeated. Down the unequal planks, the front bumper hit the concrete long before the wheel reached terra firma. Once more a contest between the ferry and Wilma to see which would move first. The ferry mooring held and, with a protesting squeal, the front bumper was driven up the concrete, the bodywork rising higher and higher till the wheels became airborne. More throttle and, with a protesting scream, the front wheels hit the concrete and took the weight.



We were off, though the front number plate was now planed down level with the bumper. With much chattering and laughter the crew collected the planks, parked the ferry, and got back into the dugout – no doubt to wait for the next idiot foreigner.

A building stood at the head of the slip and as we reached the top a door opened and a smartly dressed man came out, complete with briefcase. He waved to us to stop.

'Customs' he said, 'Welcome to Zaire'. What happened next is for the next issue.

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## **Charles Edmund Dungey 1 November 1914**

***Charles Edmund Dungey, aged 30, Royal Navy.  
Chief Petty Officer on HMS Monmouth, lost with all  
hands off Coronel, Chile, 1 November 1914***

Charles Dungey was born in Tregony according to the 1911 census, the son of Edmund Dungey (born in Veryan) and his wife Emma, a Tregony girl.

Charles was one of nine children born to the couple. In 1891 the family (Edmund, Emma, Charles and his elder sister Carlendra) is recorded as living at the Ship Inn, Portloe. They are not recorded in the parish in 1901, and by 1911 Emma, then aged 49, is described as a widow, living in Fore Street, Tregony, working as a draper, with Charles, by then aged 26, working as a farm labourer, and a younger daughter Annie Elizabeth, aged 15, with 'no occupation'. Their house had four rooms. Of the nine children, Emma recorded that while all were born alive, only four were still alive in 1911.

Charles joined the Royal Naval Reserve before the outbreak of war. By 1914 he was Chief Petty Officer on HMS *Monmouth*, a cruiser of 9,800 tons, launched in February 1901.

On the outbreak of war HMS *Monmouth* became part of the 5<sup>th</sup> Cruiser Squadron which was immediately dispatched to Pernambuco in the eastern part of South America.

The squadron, the flagship of which was HMS *Good Hope*, a Drake class cruiser of 14,000 tons, was sent to protect British and Allied shipping from large German ships known to be in that area.

A few months later in October 1914 a German squadron, led by cruisers *Scharnhorst* and *Gneisenau*, appeared on the west side of South America.

On 1 November 1914 the German ships were surprised by the 5<sup>th</sup> Royal Naval squadron off Coronel, Chile.

In the ensuing action the British ships were shown up against the sunset, while the German ships were hidden against the darkness of the land.

*Good Hope* was set on fire, blew up and sank. *Monmouth* was also set on fire and was sunk by gunfire from the light cruiser *Nurnburg*. She was lost with all hands. *Glasgow* and *Otranto* managed to escape.

The two German cruisers *Scharnhorst* and *Gneisenau* were sunk off the Falklands only about a month later, on 8 December 1914.

*Charles is named on the Veryan war memorial and also on the Naval memorial at Plymouth.*



## ***The story of the Remembrance poppy***

The Great War came to an end at 11 am on the 11th day of the 11th month, 1918, when the Armistice was signed. The day was specifically dedicated by King George V in November 1919 as a day of remembrance for members of the armed forces who were killed during World War I.

For many years that day was known as Armistice Day, and commemorated, as it still is, in many parts of the world.

The poppy has become a symbol of remembrance. But when and where did it begin?

The use of the poppy was inspired by the poem 'In Flanders Fields' by John McCrae.

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row...*

Which ends

*We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.*

In 1918 an American YWCA worker, Moina Michael, was inspired by the poem and vowed always to wear a red poppy as a symbol of remembrance. At a conference of Overseas War Secretaries in 1918 she wore a silk poppy pinned to her coat, and handed out 25 more to those attending. Her campaign to get the poppy accepted as a national symbol succeeded, and at a conference in 1920 the National American Legion adopted it as their official token of remembrance.

A delegate from France, Anna Guérin, was inspired to introduce poppies in that country. She believed that the scope of the poppy could be extended to help the needy, especially orphaned children, suffering as a result of the war.

During 1921 she sent her poppy sellers to America, Australia, Britain, Canada and New Zealand. In 1921 French-made poppies were sold across America. In the same year she sent French women to London to sell their artificial poppies. Madame Guérin visited Field Marshal Douglas Haig, founder and president of the newly-formed British Legion. The first British Poppy Appeal was launched in November 1921. Proceeds went to ex-servicemen in need of welfare support.

In 1922 the Poppy Factory was set up in London, employing five ex-servicemen. By 1933 a larger factory was needed because of increased demand across the country, and nowadays the Poppy Factory produces nearly 40 million poppies.

In the early years after World War I, poppies were worn only on Remembrance Day itself. Nowadays official ceremonies are held not only on 11 November but on the Sunday nearest to that date and nearly a century after their introduction the red poppy is still worn 'for Remembrance'.

Fourteen years ago the legal title to what was then known as the British Legion Hall was transferred to Veryan Parish Council. A charitable trust was created and a management committee was appointed, comprising representatives of all the groups which then used the Hall. Its name was changed to 'Veryan Parish Hall'.

Gerald writes:

"Since the formation of this committee the building has been transformed. Through generous donations, successful grant applications, fund raising and a lot of hard work by an enthusiastic band of committee members past and present and friends, we have achieved the following:

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a complete refurbishment

## YOUR PARISH HALL NEEDS YOU!

*A letter to the parishioners of Veryan  
from Gerald Johns,  
chairman of the Veryan Parish Hall committee*

of the toilet block has been made;  
a long-term lease has been negotiated on the land at the back of the hall which has created a car park as well as a new entrance with disabled access.

At present the hall provides a roof over the heads of many local organisations: Roseland Brownies, Veryan WI, Tuesday Yoga group, Veryan Players, the Good Companions, Veryan Parish Council, the Sunday Dance Group, Veryan School, the Friday Country Market and in addition there are the annual parish events such as the Church Fête and the Autumn Show. The hall is also used for birthday parties and other family events.

It is the aim of the committee to keep the hire charges as low as possible to enable these groups, and others, to flourish. To assist this objective the committee has over the years arranged its own fundraising events: a Jumble Sale in February, St Piran's

Evening in March, a Midsummer Celebration, the annual Harvest Supper and at Christmas an evening featuring a Christingle and community carol singing.

For several years we also hosted 'Carn to Cove' productions which brought professional performances, subsidised by the Arts Council, to rural venues. These included performances by internationally acclaimed Kneehigh and Miracle theatres, and produced a modest profit.

However, through waning interest and an ageing committee, we are unable now to

cope with the organisation and management of these regular events. In the past two years especially it has been a real struggle with the workload falling on a willing few.

What we desperately need is an injection of new and enthusiastic committee members with fresh ideas to drive matters forward: we must maintain this invaluable resource for the continuing benefit of our local community.

If you feel that you can help, please contact any committee member, or me on 01872 501462.

Thank you for reading this letter."

*Gerald*

*A note from the editor:*

*As the Hall committee's first secretary I can fully support what Gerald says. In those early days the representatives of our user groups encouraged the members of their own organisations to come along and help to organise and run the annual fundraising activities: we didn't expect it to be only the members of the committee who 'ran' events.*

*Our parish hall will celebrate its 90th birthday in 2016: surely something of which we can be very proud; but it will need the next generation to mark its centenary in 2026. What an achievement that will be! Please, get your organisation to help: it can be fun, you know!*



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*Following their sell-out tour for the Roseland Festival (well, the Philleigh Inn and the Rising Sun, St Mawes) the 'Roseland Poets' are coming to The Parish Hall, Veryan, on Saturday 29 November at 7.30 pm.*

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**SCHOOL NEWS**



**CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL!**

We are again collecting shoeboxes for the Samaritan's Purse annual appeal. The last day for delivery to school will be Friday 14 November, but please try to let us have the boxes earlier if possible. We have leaflets which give guidance on what is acceptable in the boxes. *There's a Shoebox Service at Gerrans Church on Sunday 2 November at 10 am—it will be led by Bishop Tim, and you can take your shoebox along then if it's ready.*

**200TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

By the time you read this our celebrations will be over, but we are hoping to produce a special report to be included in the December issue of 'Parish News' - it was a really great week and we learnt a lot about what it was like going to our school many years ago!

**HALF TERM...**

Is the last week in October, then we come back to school to start planning for Christmas!

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **HOMEYARD HOMES TRUST**

The trustees held their annual general meeting last month, with chairman Ivor Buddle reporting on another successful year. Minor repairs have been carried out and the garden maintenance has been excellent. With exterior painting and renovations currently in hand, the Homes should be in good order before the winter.

John Leach was appointed as a new trustee in place of Harry Randall, who has left the district.

The formal meeting was followed by a meeting with the residents including the new tenants of No 7, who were welcomed to Veryan by the chairman.

*The Homeyard Homes charity was established under the will of Mrs Homeyard, a Kempe from Crugsillack, whose husband made a fortune from 'Liqifruita' cough medicine. The buildings, erected in the 1950s, are in the style of Lutyens and feature two 'round houses' as Mrs Homeyard wished.*

### **LOCAL COMMUNITY RADIO STATION**

*The Hub radio station [106.1 & 106.4 FM or on line at [www.thehubradio.co.uk](http://www.thehubradio.co.uk)] is dedicated to all those parishes now regarded as part of 'The Roseland'. Our local contact is Sally Carter who will be happy to hear about local news and events: [Sallycarter7@aol.com](mailto:Sallycarter7@aol.com), landline is 01726 871402.*

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### ***Veryan players' autumn production: 26-28 November, Parish Hall***

Following the successful summer run at Portscatho with the comedy *Dying to Meet You*, Veryan Players move on to something very different for their latest production. *The Birthday Party* by Harold Pinter.

Written in 1957, *The Birthday Party* was Pinter's first full length play, and was the first of three plays considered as Pinter's "comedy of menace" pieces. *The Birthday Party* was premiered in Cambridge's Arts Theatre on April 28 1958, and has since proved to be one of Pinter's most re-produced plays.

The play is written in the genre of the *Théâtre de l'Absurde* where plays express what happens when human existence has no meaning or purpose and therefore all communication breaks down.

Veryan Players hope that the Roseland audience will welcome a play reflecting the rich diversity the company offers and introducing their newest director, Graham Webb. The play runs for three nights on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November until Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm at Veryan Parish Hall. Further details including how to obtain tickets and how to book your pre-theatre supper are available on the Veryan Players website [www.veryanplayers.org.uk](http://www.veryanplayers.org.uk) or from 01872 501670

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### **VERYAN WI**

***Tuesday 4 November 7 pm***

### **CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENING**

***All welcome: more information from Sue Day***



***Poetry and pasties? - SEE PAGE 10!***

### **OLD CORNWALL SOCIETY**

***Wednesday 12 November 7.30 pm***

### **GERRANS MEMORIAL HALL**

***Jamaica Inn - fact or fiction? CAROLE VIVIAN***

***ALL WELCOME: more information from Peter on 580540***

### **SPECIAL CLUSTER SERVICE**

***Sunday 2 November***

***10 am at Gerrans parish church***

***'Shoobox Sunday'  
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*Parish Church*

*is planning to stage a*

*Christmas Tree exhibition this year,  
open for viewing from Sunday 14th to Monday  
29th December, and local organisations are being  
invited to decorate a tree.*

*The intention is*

*to make this a community event,  
with any profit from donations being shared  
between the church and local children's charities*

*Invitations have gone out  
and the response has already been very  
encouraging. Viewing times will be advertised  
in the December magazine.*

*Do*

*come*

*along*

*some time over Christmas*

*and bring your family*

*to enjoy this festival ,*

*and if you can spare*

*a couple of hours*

*to help with stewarding, do please get in touch:*

***shelaghkester@talktalk.net or on 501788.***

## **Daytime LOW tides at CARNE in November**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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2 6.57	3 8.16	4 9.20	5 10.14	6 11.04	7 11.49	8 12.31
9 13.09	10 13.45	11 14.19	12 14.54	13 15.33	14 16.23	15 17.29
16 18.40	17 7.07	18 8.11	19 9.05	20 9.52	21 10.35	22 11.17
23 11.58	24 12.39	25 13.19	26 14.01	27 14.45	28 15.37	29 16.41
30 17.54						

**Full moon 8 October new moon 23 October  
Times are GMT**

*Additional information about forthcoming events can be sent  
to our church websites for inclusion in the on-line diary:*

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Ruan

Lanihorne



On 28th September we held our Harvest Festival service which also included the re-dedication of the church windows. Over the last two years all the windows had been removed, re-lead and cleaned before being restored in place. The money for this big project was raised from grants, events and donations from parishioners. To thank these parishioners for their generosity we held a small reception in the King's Head public house before the service to which they were invited. The pub laid on a wonderful spread with numerous cups of tea or coffee, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

For the service we were joined by the Roseland Churches' Choir, to help us give thanks for the bounty of harvest. The preacher for the evening was the Very Reverend Roger Bush, Dean of the Cathedral. As usual the Dean was in good form giving us a thought-provoking sermon. With the help of Alan Endacott, who had carried out the restoration work, and a small duster, the Dean re-dedicated the windows. After the service we were all invited to stay for tea and biscuits.

PF

## Round the Churches...

### VERYAN Parish church



**HEATING** - we have a warm church! Many, many thanks to all the generous people who have made this possible. We would love to see you at the thanksgiving service on 16th November at 6 pm.

**AND NEXT...** we're busy trying to raise more money for our fabric fund - the 'fabric' [building] of the church needs pretty constant attention and we already have a list of priorities: the roof needs attention, the tower needs re-pointing, and many churches nowadays provide a lavatory and some facility for making tea and coffee. So please come to our next event, which is the **POETRY EVENING** organised by Margaret Cortis in aid of the Fabric Fund. Details are on page 11.

**CHRISTMAS** isn't that far away, and there has been a good response so far to the invitation to take part in our very own first ever Christmas Tree festival - details on page 13. **And do note in your diaries dates of all the other events in our two parishes in December - see Diary on page 16: all details in our next issue!**

### SCHOOL'S 200TH BIRTHDAY

Many thanks to everybody who helped to make our church school's 'birthday week' such a success - and who came to share the celebrations. It's very rare for any parish to have had a school founded over 200 years ago, and for that school still to be open today. What is even more rare is that from that first donation given to Parson Trist in 1804, the building of a school on the present school's site in 1814, and its rebuilding in 1972, to the present day, there's an almost unbroken written record of what happened at school - lessons, books bought, teachers appointed, events local and national - all safely stored at Cornwall's Record Office in Truro.



September 100 Club  
winner was

Sue Day  
MEMBERSHIP DETAILS  
FROM SARAH RUNDLE  
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full-colour magazine on  
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or  
[www.ruanchurch.org.uk](http://www.ruanchurch.org.uk)

### DIOCESAN EXPENDITURE

We were asked last month to comment on the financial problems faced by the Diocese. We've had a detailed response summarising the comments made by parishes, and explaining the situation in more detail.

As well as the contributions from parishes, the Diocese receives an annual grant from the Church Commissioners as well as some income from

NEWS  
FROM  
PORTLOE



One of the highlights of September was our Harvest Thanksgiving, the service being led by the Revd Mark Dunn-Wilson. As always, it was a delight to have him with us. It was a double delight when he joined us again the following evening for Harvest Supper (masterminded by Joyce and Carol), taking a very lively part in the entertainment which followed.

**Winter soup lunches** are now back on the monthly menu, the next being on Monday 3 November at 12.30 pm - come and join us!

JH

### Roseland Churches' Choir

The choir is available to sing at weddings or other services: contact the chairman, Graham Pouncefort, at [info@crdrecords.com](mailto:info@crdrecords.com) or on 01872 580001, or contact your parish priest.

investments, glebe rents and fees. Most of the Diocesan expenditure however goes to providing and supporting parish clergy. Diocesan House is run by only 25 staff, and it does not (and cannot) help to maintain our parish churches. That's up to us!

We are fortunate in having a priest resident in the vicarage at Veryan and welcome the news that Fr Doug is allowed to stay for at least another year!

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**CHURCH SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER**

**Veryan**

**Ruan**

**Portloe**

**Sunday 2 November ALL SAINTS**

**CLUSTER SERVICE AT GERRANS AT 10 AM  
WITH BISHOP TIM - no services at Ruan, Veryan or Portloe**

**Sunday 9 November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

**10.50 am service at Veryan**

**Sunday 16 November 2 before Advent**

**11 am Eucharist**

**9.30 am**

**Mattins**

**10.30 am**

**Morning Worship**

**Sunday 23 November CHRIST THE KING**

**11 am Eucharist**

**9.30 am**

**Eucharist**

**Sunday 30 November ADVENT**

**11 am Eucharist**

**10.30 am**

**Morning Worship**

**Sunday 7 December Advent 2**

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**10.30 am**

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## Readings for November

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**Sunday 2 November**  
**NO SERVICE: SEE PAGE 14**

**Sunday 9 November**  
**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
Service at Veryan at 10.50 am

**Sunday 16 November**  
**2 before Advent**  
Zephaniah 1 vv. 7 & 12-18  
Ann Craven [731]

**Sunday 23 November**  
**CHRIST THE KING**  
Ezekiel 34, 11-16 & 20-24  
Margery Truscott[302]  
Ephesians 1, 15-23  
Margaret Cortis [256]

**Sunday 30 November**  
**ADVENT SUNDAY**  
Isaiah 64, 1-9  
Robert Pepper [670]  
1 Corinthians 1, 3-9  
Coral Pepper

**Sunday 7 December**  
**Advent 2**  
Isaiah 40, 1-11  
John Veness [704]  
2 Peter 3, 8-15a  
Marilyn Veness

*If you would like to join our team of readers, please contact Christine [727]*

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1 November Mrs N Bush  
8 & 15th Mrs S Truscott  
22nd Mrs A Preston

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**CLEANING & FLOWERS**  
2 November Mrs Wiegand/  
Mrs Smith  
16 November Mrs Evans/Mrs Farr  
7 December Mrs Mihalop/Mrs  
Hamblett

**Portloe United Church**  
**FLOWERS AND CLEANING**  
see notice board

## The Parishes of Veryan & Ruan Lanihorne Church Services

### VERYAN Parish Church of St Symphorian

*1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Sundays:*  
*11 am Parish Eucharist*  
*4th Sunday 8.30 am*  
*Holy Communion [BCP]*  
*4th Sunday: 11 am*  
*Mattins [BCP] unless Eucharist*  
*for special feasts*

### PORTLOE UNITED CHURCH All Saints

*Methodist services 1st, 3rd & 5th*  
*Sundays at 10.30 am*  
*2nd Sunday: Service of the Word*  
*[Anglican] at 10.30 am*  
*4th Sunday: Eucharist*  
*at 9.30 am*

### RUAN LANIHORNE St Rumon

*1st Sunday:*  
*9.30 am Holy Communion [BCP]*  
*3rd Sunday:*  
*9.30 am Mattins [BCP]*

**CHANGES TO THE USUAL  
TIMES,  
FESTIVALS AND SPECIAL  
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ANNOUNCED IN THIS  
MAGAZINE**

## REGULAR EVENTS

**AllStars** for ages 7-12 fortnightly in Veryan School 5-6.30 pm [contact school for details]

**Brownies** meet Mondays in term time, Veryan Parish Hall 6.15-7.30pm

**Country Market** every Friday in Veryan Parish Hall 10.30-11.30 am

**Parish Council** meets on third Monday, 7.30 pm, Veryan Parish Hall committee room

**Pre-school:** at Sports and Social club, Veryan, Mondays 11.15am-3 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.15am-1.15 pm

**Ringin Practice at Veryan:** 4th Tuesday most months, but contact 501203 for up-to-date information

**Roseland magazine** delivery arranged by local coordinator

**Roseland Youth Group** meets in Social Club Tuesdays 7-9.30 pm for ages 10-14

**School open assembly:** Fridays at 9.15 am in church

**Whist drive:** every Friday, Veryan Parish Hall 7.30 pm

**Yoga:** every Tuesday Veryan Parish Hall 10.am-12 noon

**ZUMBA class:** Wednesdays, Veryan Parish Hall 7.30 pm [07739 468142]

## November Diary

**Sunday 2nd:** GERRANS CHURCH, cluster 'Shoebox' service with Bishop Tim, 10 am

**Tuesday 4th:** Veryan WI, 7 pm [page 12]

**Sunday 9th :** REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 10.50am service at Veryan

**Tuesday 11th:** School act of remembrance and 2 minutes' silence 10.50am at War Memorial ,Veryan

**Wednesday 12th:** Old Cornwall Society at Gerrans 7.30 pm [page 12]

**Sunday 16th:** Thanksgiving service for new heating, **Veryan church 6 pm** [page 1]

**Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th:** Veryan Players 7.30 pm [page 12]

**Saturday 29th:** Poetry evening, Veryan parish hall 7.30 pm [page 10]

## DECEMBER DATES

**7th** Christmas lights switch on  
**14th** Carol service at Veryan and opening of Tree exhibition  
**17th** Seniors' party  
**18th** Portloe celebration of Christmas  
**21st** Parish Hall Christingle  
**21st** Ruan carol service  
**24th** Crib service 4 pm  
**24th** MIDNIGHT MASS  
Veryan, service also at Portloe  
**25th** Christmas Day services  
Ruan & Veryan  
**28th** community carols, Veryan

## Our church websites

[www.veryanchurch.org.uk](http://www.veryanchurch.org.uk)  
[www.ruanlanihornechurch.org.uk](http://www.ruanlanihornechurch.org.uk)  
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## From the Registers

### VERYAN

*13September*

*Burial of ashes, Beatrice York aged 94*

*24 September*

*Jonathan Paul Dingle (Jonny) aged 47*  
*Service at Veryan prior to private committal*  
*at Penmount*

**R I P**

## Roseland churches' choir - services 2014

**Sunday 23 November** Sunday before ADVENT  
evensong, Gerrans, 6 pm

**Sunday 30 November** ADVENT SUNDAY  
Service at St Just in Roseland 6 pm

**Sunday 14 December** CAROL SERVICE Veryan 6 pm

**Sunday 21 December**  
**SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS**  
Ruan Lanihorne 6 pm