

# OUR NEWS

## SEPTEMBER 2016



## WALKING THE WAY THIS SUMMER

### Bishops put on their walking boots to lead pilgrims

Cornwall's Anglican bishops have both had their walking boots on this summer, as they led groups of pilgrims in the county.

Clergy, parishioners and locals were joined by others from further afield in the UK as they made the walks.

The Bishop Of Truro, the Right Reverend Tim Thornton, led one group from Laneast to the ancient holy well of St Clether, on Bodmin Moor.

At the Holy Well Chapel Bishop Tim reminded pilgrims of their baptisms by splashing them with water from the spring, before celebrating Holy Communion.

The Right Reverend Chris Goldsmith, Bishop of St Germans, led a group of about 40 individuals in a pilgrimage walk in celebration of the feast of St James. They walked from St Uny Church, Lelant,

overland to All Saints Church, Marazion, stopping at key points along the way to pray, read, sing and eat together.

Bishop Tim said: "Pilgrimages are not measured in miles or days, but in the journeys we make in our hearts, the journeys of faith and fellowship.

"I found the experience of walking together as always very helpful and encouraging. We were welcomed royally in the various places we stopped.

"To celebrate the Eucharist at St Clether Holy Well was very special and spending time in prayer listening to God together in the beauty of that place was uplifting.

"I know from the conversations I had that others who were there have gone away thinking about how they can do something similar. Talking, walking and praying together is a very good thing to do."

## 2016 ROADSHOWS: SAVE THE DATE

This year's Diocesan Roadshows will take place in October and November at venues across the Diocese.

This year the evenings will have a different format to previous roadshows with the aim of provoking thought and debate around wider issues affecting our communities today under the heading of **Healthy, Wealthy and Wise: Thinking Christianly About Everyday Issues.**

Join us on October 5th (Marazion), 11th (Launceston), 13th (Penryn) or 17th (Bodmin) or November 8th (Trispen) or 15th (Liskeard) and find out more.

## SERVICE OF REFLECTION

There will be a service of reflection for those affected by suicide at Truro Cathedral on September 11 at 2pm.

Organised in conjunction with the Suicide Liaison Service, the service is open to all.

Anne Embury, Suicide Liaison Lead for Outlook South West, said: "This is an opportunity for people to come together and benefit from mutual support in circumstances of great tragedy."

There are around 80 deaths by suicide in Cornwall each year and the aftermath can have a devastating impact on those left behind.



# ARCHDEACON'S LETTER

“ Our development plan ‘Confidence in the Gospel’ puts a clear marker in the sand: We will pray. We are finding creative and encouraging ways to enable this to become a reality, to enable us to learn together how prayer challenges us to deeper holiness and engagement. ”



## ARCHDEACON AUDREY

The pilgrimage led by Bishop Tim around Laneast and St Clether in July brought together 30plus people from a range of parishes and deaneries. We walked and we talked, we ate and we prayed.

We prayed at the beginning, in the middle and at the end of our pilgrimage. We prayed about God's creation, about sharing our faith and about serving others. We prayed with people we knew well, and those we'd only just met. We prayed in silence, in hearing the words of others, and in speaking our own prayers.

We fell into what felt like such a natural rhythm of walking and praying, of being with others and seeking solitude, of movement and stillness. And what was most encouraging was the number of people who said at the end 'We could do this in our own parishes.'

'Confidence in the Gospel' marks our intention to hold an annual day of prayer. The first of these will be held on **3rd September** in St Petroc's Church, Bodmin between noon and 4pm.

“Thy Kingdom Come” is a day OF prayer, not a day ABOUT prayer. It is a day which you can drop into at any time, and stay as long as you want.

There will be plenty of opportunities for prayer – based on each of the phrases of the Lord's Prayer. These opportunities will be creative and interactive. They will enable us to pray with our bodies, our imaginations, our hands and our voices. They will enable us to pray in silence, in action and in listening. We will pray on our own, together and as one body.

Come and find new ways of praying, new enthusiasm for prayer, new depths with God.

During the day of prayer a new booklet will be launched in the Diocese providing a flexible form of prayer for use in groups or alone, before a meeting or with a friend.

'Praying on the Way' gives a framework for regular prayer which can be as long or as short as we need. It provides the text of prayers when we need them, and the space to pray in our own words when we want. It gives us a balanced and simple diet of prayer which we can adapt and develop for ourselves.

Copies of 'Praying on the Way' will be available on 3rd September, and afterwards from Church House or Archdeacon's House in Bodmin.

"We will pray".

## MORE INFORMATION

<http://tinyurl.com/zufx8jh>

# DIOCESAN DIRECTORY CHANGES & UPDATES

## Bishops' Office

**Mrs Lesley Rogers**, PA & Secretary to the Bishops of Truro and Bishops of St Germans, has retired due to ill health.



Her work and commitment over the last 19 years to the offices of the Bishops has been exemplary and her knowledge and wisdom will be very much missed.

We wish her well and a long and happy retirement.

## Clergy Section

**The Revd Canon Ed Pruen** has moved out of the Diocese and is therefore no longer Rector of the Lann Pydar Benefice.

**The Revd Paul Holley** has been licensed as Priest in Charge of the Benefice of Bodmin with Lanhydrock and Lanivet, and the parish of Cardynham.

**The Revd Canon Sherry** has been licensed as Priest in Charge of St Tudy with St Mabyn and Michaelstow. She continues as Rector of Blisland with Temple, St Breward and Helland.

**The Revd Canon Dave Elkington** retired on 31 July and is therefore no longer Deanery Priest of Trigg Minor and Bodmin and Assistant Curate of St Tudy with St Mabyn and Michaelstow and no longer Assistant Curate of Bodmin with Lanhydrock and Lanivet.

**The Revd David Jasper** is no longer Rural Dean of Trigg Major Deanery. The post will be vacant until 5 September when Archdeacon Audrey will take on this role.

**The Revd Deb Grigg** has been licensed as a Public Preacher.

**The Revd Robert Thewsey** has moved out of the Diocese ahead of taking up a post in the Diocese of Oxford. He will therefore no longer be Rector of the Boscastle and Tintagel Group of Churches. He is no longer Rural Dean of Stratton.

**The Revd Canon Tony Ingleby** has retired and is no longer Priest in Charge of Liskeard and St Keyne and Associate Priest of St Pinnock.

**The Revd Tony Windross** was licensed as Rural Dean of Stratton on July 31.

## PTO section

**The Revd Diane Powell** has moved to a new address in Padstow, details can be found on the online directory.

## Church House

**Claire Watkins** has joined as part time Communications Officer.

**Rebecca St Ledger-Renfroe** has moved into administration with a Communications focus.

**Kate Cortez** will join as Head of Church House Operations in September.

**Mike Geary**, Architectural Technician, will no longer be working at Church House from the end of August.

## MISSION CASE STUDY

# RIDING THE WAVE OF SUCCESS WITH FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

As Great Britain celebrates the success of the 2016 summer Olympics, much credit is being given to funding provided by the National Lottery to Sports. In fact, three quarters of all UK sports funding now comes from the National Lottery and many commentators are attributing this funding as being the catalyst for the rise in success from just one gold medal in Atlanta 1996 with Great Britain ranked 36th in the medal table to 27 gold medals and ranked 2nd in the medal table just 20 years later in Rio de Janeiro.

**So what has this got to do with Cornish churches – many of which are struggling to pay the bills and maintain the fabric and life of these cultivate beautiful, iconic buildings?**

The answer lies in the opportunity to apply for funding. Not funding to keep the building going in its current format but funding to revitalise the building; identifying its strengths and the opportunities for mission which lie within that building; in short, using the resources we have to grow the Church.

It is true, there are many Funders who do not want to fund the furtherance of Christian mission but they will often pay for the building whether that be repair or reordering and there are many others who

will support mission. One of the stumbling blocks for the PCC though is how to go about it? Who is going to apply for the funding and how do you know which funders are out there?

First you need a plan, where do you feel God is calling you to work? What are the greatest chances of success? Just as UK Sport worked with the National Lottery to identify key sports where success was most likely, so too can Churches identify their most viable assets and there are lots of resources within Church House to help with this process.

Secondly, take up surfing... the web that is! There are masses of websites offering help and guidance in both finding potential funders and helping complete the forms. To get you started why not have a look at [www.churchcare.co.uk/](http://www.churchcare.co.uk/) or [www.parishresources.org.uk/](http://www.parishresources.org.uk/) or [ahfund.org.uk/ffhb/](http://ahfund.org.uk/ffhb/). If surfing isn't your thing and you'd rather talk to someone please contact Rebecca Evans at Church House for details of the Meet the Funders programme and other tailored one to one support on [Rebecca.Evans@truro.anglican.org](mailto:Rebecca.Evans@truro.anglican.org) or 01872 360039.

Incidentally if you are into surfing, you'll be pleased to know that the sport is being included in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics!

## BACKING FOR APPEAL

The community of St Winnow have thrown themselves behind an appeal by St Winnow Church to secure the future of its tower and bells.

The church has launched its appeal to raise £140,000 to complete essential work on the tower structure and install eight new bells. Canon John Halkes, Appeal Co-ordinator, said: "The initial response to the Church Council's appeal has been wonderfully re-assuring and generous. The support of the Friends of St Winnow, Cornwall Historic Churches Trust and many individual donors has got us off to a fine start. Projects on this visionary scale need the involvement of so many people and we draw on the gifts of



enthusiastic fundraisers, helpful charities, skilful architects and constructors - and not least - members of the public who appreciate our historic church for its powerful presence in our community and its witness to so many visitors to Cornwall. The new bells will speak of our unity and rejoicing."

**MORE INFORMATION**  
<http://tinyurl.com/jre2vrj>

## FREE TREES CONFERENCES

The Church is responsible for a large number of trees which, like churches, need managing. The often great age of churchyards, and the long term protection they offer, means many of these trees are particularly important, and others have the potential to become so.

Two free churchyard trees conferences organised by the Conservation Foundation and supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund are being held this autumn. They will promote greater awareness of the importance of churchyard trees and encourage maintenance, future growth and interpretation with the support of the community.

The conferences will be held in Liverpool Cathedral on October 6 and St John's Waterloo on November 2 and feature leading churchyard and arboriculture experts who will discuss the support and management churches can use to protect the future of churchyard trees.

### TO REGISTER

[www.conservationfoundation.co.uk/churchyardtrees](http://www.conservationfoundation.co.uk/churchyardtrees)

## YOUTH GROUP RESOURCE

The Children's Society has just released their latest free Church youth group resource.

The sessions are built upon their first-hand knowledge of supporting young people no matter what issues they may face. It contains six youth group sessions from a faith perspective to help youth workers unpack key topics such as identity, sexting, mental health, healthy relationships, and life online, empowering your young people to support themselves and their peers.

### FIND OUT MORE

[www.childrenssociety.org.uk/youth](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/youth)

## THANK YOUR VICAR WEEK

October 16 to 23 is National Thank Your Vicar Week and is an opportunity to thank vicars and curates for all they do.

Free resources are available for parishes and schools from September 8 on the St Luke's Healthcare for Clergy website.

### MORE INFORMATION

[www.stlukeshealthcare.org.uk](http://www.stlukeshealthcare.org.uk)

# CORNISH TRUST UNDERSTANDS CHURCH WEATHER CHALLENGE

“It’s raining again....a friend said the other day; “it’s hardly surprising that the Cornish have even created a name for it - mizzle.”

**REBECCA EVANS**  
PARISH SUPPORT ADVISOR

I’d heard the word mizzle before but not really thought about it so I looked it up and sure enough ‘a Cornish description of a combination of fine drenching drizzle or extremely fine rain and thick, heavy saturating mist or fog’. Who knew?

Farrow and Ball have even named a paint after it described as ‘reflecting west country evening skies’. It’s hardly surprising then that a large number of phone calls I receive from churches around the diocese are for help in looking for funding for replacement of rainwater goods.

What better funder than one with a specific understanding of Cornwall? For all of you looking for funding to replace rainwater goods or perhaps some other repair or restoration I’d like to introduce you to Cornwall Historic Churches Trust.

Founded in 1955 the Trust is more than just a funder; it seeks to both protect and promote the rich heritage of our ancient buildings and there are lots of ways you can get involved with them. You could, for instance, become a friend and make an annual donation (either individually or as a church); you could apply for a grant of up to £5,000; you could have your church history published on their website to help encourage more visitors to your church; you could even brave the mizzle and take part in the September Fundraiser.

The September Fundraiser which takes place this year on Saturday 10th September in association with National Ride and Stride is an annual event and an



opportunity to raise money for both your local church and the Trust by participating in a sponsored walk or cycle to as many churches as possible. Any funds you raise will be divided equally between your own church and Cornwall Historic Churches Trust. It’s a great opportunity to not only fundraise but also visit other churches... and keep fit! If however, braving the mizzle isn’t for you; you could either pray for sunshine or host some refreshments in your own church for visiting walkers and cyclists.

## MORE INFORMATION

[www.chct.info](http://www.chct.info)

Trust’s Secretary Simon Coy: [mail@chct.info](mailto:mail@chct.info)

Other funders are of course available. For help or guidance contact [Rebecca.Evans@truro.anglican.org](mailto:Rebecca.Evans@truro.anglican.org)

## GRANTS AVAILABLE IN CARADON AREA

The Caradon Area Community Fund provides grants to community and voluntary groups

### READ MORE

<http://tinyurl.com/hecbmuy>

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

- 1-8 Craft Fayre**, St Swithin’s Church Launcells, Daily 10am to 6pm
- 2-16 Mother’s Union Forward with Banners celebrating 140 years**, Truro Cathedral, 10-5pm, 12-4pm (Sunday), FREE
- 3 Day of Prayer**, St Petroc’s Church, Bodmin, 12-4pm
- 7 ‘Windows Into the Christian Faith’ Course**, Hayle Methodist Church, 7pm 01736 756669
- 9 Celebrating the Opening of new church rooms with Bishop Tim**, St. Goran Church, 6pm.
- 10 Flower Festival**, St Ia Church, 12-5pm
- 10 Coffee morning MU 140th anniversary**, St Stephen’s Church Saltash, 10am-12pm.
- 10 Quiet Day**, St Endellion Church, 10am, £10
- 10 Taste & see that the Lord is good**, Epiphany House, 10am-4pm, cost £18
- 10 Flower Festival**, St Ia church, St Ives, 12pm.
- 11 A Service of Reflection for People affected by Suicide**, Truro Cathedral, 2pm
- 12 Treverva Male Voice Choir concert**, St Ives Church, 7pm
- 13 Phoenix Singers Concert**, St Ives Church, 7.30pm
- 13 Quiet Day**, St Just in Roseland Church
- 15 CMED Partnership Working**, Penzance
- 16 Baroque Music by Candlelight**, St Ives Church, 9pm
- 17 Taizé service**, Epiphany House, 7pm
- 18 Kenwyn String Quartet, Amati String Trio Concert**, St Ives Church, 7.30pm
- 19, 26 Windows into... St Paul**, Truro Cathedral, 10-12pm, 2-4pm, 7.30-9.30pm, £10 per course
- 20 St Stephen’s Ladies Group 50th anniversary**, 7.30pm, St Stephens Church, Saltash.
- 21 A Massed Choir Singing Event for World Peace Day**, Truro Cathedral & Truro Methodist church.
- 22 Meet the Funders**, Launceston (TBC), 10am
- 22 A Theological Reflection on the Encounter with Islam**, Chapter House, Truro Cathedral, 7pm, £4/ Students £2
- 22 Re:fill :Source :Fresh for Christians across Cornwall**, 7.30pm-9.30pm, St Kea Church.
- 23-25 National Prayer Weekend**
- 24 Concert by Celtic Voices**, Callington Methodist Church, 7pm
- 24 Budapest Cafe Orchestra**, St Endellion Church, 7.30pm, £10
- 28 Sankey Evening**, St Saviour Church, Polruan, 7.30pm

### OCTOBER

- 1 Annual Readers’ Service marking 150years of Reader Ministry**, Truro Cathedral, 11am
- 3, 10, 17, 24 Windows into St Paul**, Truro Cathedral,

## GET IN TOUCH

If you have a news story or a diary date to share, please get in touch: 01872 360037 [comms@truro.anglican.org](mailto:comms@truro.anglican.org) before the 17th of each month.

## OTHER LINKS

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**SRO NEWSLETTER** <http://tinyurl.com/zhwstye>

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