

Parish Newsletter
Benefice of Veryan with Ruan Laniorne
January 2021

**The parishes of VERYAN and
RUAN LANIHORNE**
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Church services

**At the time of writing our churches may remain open for
services: please check noticeboards for any
Covid-related changes**

Church services in our benefice in January

Sunday 3 January

9.30 am Holy Communion [BCP] Ruan Laniorne
11 am Eucharist [CW] Veryan

Sunday 10 January

11 am Eucharist [CW] Veryan

Sunday 17 January

9.30 am Matins [BCP] Ruan Laniorne
11 am Eucharist [CW] Veryan

Sunday 24 January

11 am Eucharist [CW] Veryan

Sunday 31 January

11 am Eucharist [CW] Veryan

Portloe

Please check noticeboard for current arrangements

Readings for January

Sunday 3 January Christmas 2

Jeremiah 31, 7-14

Ephesians 1, 3-14

Brian and Valerie Willis

Sunday 10 January Epiphany

Isaiah 60, 1-6 *John Veness*

Ephesians 3, 1-12 *Julia Pound*

Sunday 17 January The Baptism of Christ

Genesis 1, 1-5 *Ann Craven*

Acts 19, 1-7 *Margaret Cortis*

Sunday 24 January Second Sunday of Epiphany

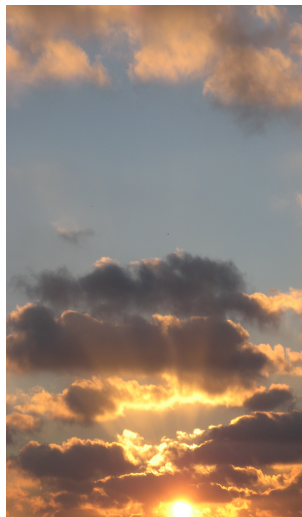
1 Samuel 3, 1-10 *Sue Jeremy*

Revelation 5, 1-10 *Linda Kerswill*

Sunday 31 January Candlemas

Malachi 3, 1-5 *Blair Jobson*

Hebrews 2, 14-18 *Sue Truscott*



Winter sunrise

*In 2021,
let's be thankful for our NHS,
be glad that w live in such a lovely place,
stay hopeful and be kind*

St Rumon's Church News

Happy New Year and we hope you had a lovely Christmas.

Due to current Covid restrictions we have not planned any events for the year but hopefully this will change soon.

With the church being closed most of the time, we have been looking at ways to make our church more welcoming and so in December we started discussions on several projects. If you have any ideas that you think would improve your visit, please let us know, at ruanlani-horne@live.co.uk

November 100 Club Draw winner was
Graham Webb and he has kindly donated the prize to Church Funds

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Veryan Parish Hall

What a year! Let's hope we can get together in 2021.

We are delighted with the new roof and hope to be able to complete the refurbishment work soon. Thank you to everyone for the wonderful support.

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Veryan Parish Christmas Lights

We hope you enjoyed our Parish festive lights. You may have noticed some were missing - due to Covid restrictions, we were not able to put together all the displays.

Many thanks to the lights team and those who have housed the displays - it would not be possible without you and the kind donations received.

Wishing you a Healthy and Happy 2021.

A note from the Old Cornwall Society

New Project - Mapping Methodism

“Cornish Story2 and the Federation of Old Cornwall Societies have initiated a new project to collect information on the Methodist Chapels across Cornwall. If you have any information, documents, photos, ephemera, or memories concerning any of the chapels in Roseland please do let our Recorder know so that we can fully contribute to this worthwhile project.”

The Recorder is Nev Meek [nev.meek@sky.com]

‘Angels over Ringarounds’ (December newsletter) reminded me of when I was learning the Lord’s Prayer at school. I asked my Dad why we said ‘Ruan High Lanes’. He eventually worked out I meant ‘Hallowed be Thy name’.

Our 4 year old friend is desperate to see us to show us his birthday present. His mother explained why it was not possible at the moment.

“I’ll go when the world is better” was the reply.
A lovely thought from a child. We look forward to that day.
Sue Truscott

TIDE TABLES: DAYTIME LOW TIDES AT CARNE FOR JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 13.02	2 13.40
3 14.20	4 15.04	5 15.53	6 16.51	7 17.57	8 06.24	9 07.40
10 08.55	11 10.02	12 11.00	13 11.53	14 12.40	15 13.23	16 14.01
17 14.36	18 15.10	19 15.43	20 16.21	21 17.08	22 18.12	23 06.47
24 07.59	25 09.00	26 09.54	27 10.42	28 11.27	29 12.10	30 12.52
31 13.32						

Full moon 28th New moon 13th

Veryan School

The Year 5 and 6 children have very kindly written these articles about things they have been doing in school. They gave themselves their own pen names!

Making Homeless Shelters

Children from Kiberick class got a chance to feel what it is like to be homeless when they went up to Veryan School's Wild Tribe Field. They used cardboard boxes to build the shelters and the children had the most interesting lesson and surely realised how useless they would be in the rain!

By Cosy Cottages

Remembrance Service

This year has been different, however this will not stop us from remembering those who died in battles. Each class was very respectful, therefore it was a great service. Kiberick class, our oldest children in the school read words packed full of emotion. Veryan School will always remember those who died.

By The Two Musketeers

Football at Veryan School

Veryan School plays football every Wednesday at the cricket field in Veryan. The volunteers that we have for football are Mr Morse (who is Grandad of one of the children in the school, he is the coach) and Mrs Morse (who is Mr Morse's wife) She helps in every way that she needs to. The children really enjoy it and don't want to stop.

By The Sludgey Team

Being Tudor Pirates

Ahoy there from the pirates of Veryan School! Did you know....that we dressed up as pirates for a reason? That reason was, back in Tudor times King Henry VIII set up the British Navy. It was an excitement to all of us and we wish to do it again. So much fun dressing up as pirates at Veryan School. Every day is a fun day here!

By The Twilight Twins

Bubble Painting

Hello from Veryan School. The Bubble printing was clearly awesome. Bubble painting was a creative activity. If your child would like to come to this school they will experience fun, exciting education. Our school is fun but safe.

By the Bubble Nub-Nubs

I love having fun with my friends! I also think that it's creative, fun obviously. It's all about making friends. Therefore you can see we find this school like home!

By Nug Nug

Bug Hotels

My class made bug hotels and it was fun, like really fun. So we had bamboo to make the bug hotels and string, and we hid them in the field.

By Bug Ice

Wild Tribe

The Wild Tribe is a place of joy and nature, where we surely cannot wait to go every week! The environment is an important part of our school. We all love and care for this place of peace. Clearly we are more family than friends!

By Nob-Nobs

Observations from the 'Earwig'

I wonder how many people noticed that the Olivebank had moved to a new dry dock? Or how many thought she'd been stolen?

Olivebank is the sail ship in a glass case that has been in the first window on the right-hand side of the church as you enter.

Sue Truscott thought it sensible, quite correctly, to move it from the window where we are fighting damp ingress.

David T and my beloved arranged to meet on the Friday morning to move the ship to the Lady Chapel window. Observing social distancing was simple throughout as the whole thing is fairly large.

As they suspected this wasn't just a lift and shift. Having examined the screws it became evident that the case was screwed to the base so David went home to get appropriate screwdriver things. The lid was removed and each sheet of glass removed. Then they discovered the base was bolted to the window ledge with two good six inch bolts. So David went home again to get the angle grinder (glad he did, now I know what Stuart wants for Christmas) and sensibly brought his entire tool box for any other unexpected eventualities. Bolts removed, Sue and I cleaned the glass, frame and base (the first time at least on the inside in many years since its last move) and the move to the new dry dock in the Lady Chapel began. It has been securely fixed to its new home and looks splendid. A larger window gives more light and the angle of the base and the lower ledge means you can see right into the deck. The original little frame with the information has been removed and the text re-typed up so you can read it, but I have left the original info leaflet in the frame, behind the new, so that when some idiot decides to move it again they have a little bit of history in their hands.

It was also lovely during the process to hear David remembering Ivor Buddle and recounting how when doing David's roof he missed his footing and 'stepped on a hole' and all the funny names he had for his tools. His brimble (saw), his hammer (screwdriver) and his emotional paint (emulsion). And he never went home for his meal; he always went home for a 'cup of tea and a seedy bun.'

Anyway, the whole process took a little longer than planned so next time you hear Sue 'having a good idea'.....

The model of the Olivebank was presented to the Church in 1936 by the Rev E. C. Alston, then Vicar, in memory of the men who lost their lives around these coasts.

The sailing ship had been completed in 1892 and was the most famous of the Bank Line ships. She ended her days under the Finnish Flag during the Second World War when she hit a mine with many lives lost.



The bolts are uncovered!



'I've just cleaned that rail!'

“Dr Hooper’s Rule”

Have you heard of Dr Hooper’s Rule?

In the 1970s Dr Max Hooper published a book demonstrating that the approximate age of a hedgerow could be estimated by counting the number of species growing in a sample 30-yard length, the number of species indicating the age of the hedge in centuries. His research was based on early documents and maps, and he compiled a list of 35 trees and shrubs as a guide. [if you’re interested, I’ve got the list!]

It does seem to work, even here in Cornwall where our earth banks are different from the bushy hedges ‘up-country’. Colin and I tried it years ago in the hedges around Camels and Veryan and found that most of our hedges are many centuries old, confirmed by local early maps and documents. The trees and shrubs listed are of course those which have been classified as ‘native’ or which were early introductions from the near continent.



More recently, during ‘lockdown’, when we were all enjoying walking along the mostly traffic-free lanes, I occasionally tested Dr Hooper’s ‘Rule’, noting also the frequency of some species over others. Holly proliferates, as does oak: from Trewartha to the top of the Green there are ten or more oaks in the right-hand hedge alone, while between Four Turnings and Pigs’ Turnings there are considerably more than a dozen if you count on both sides of the road. Reduced now to clumps of leaves within the hedge, these were once mature trees: Veryan was a well-wooded parish.

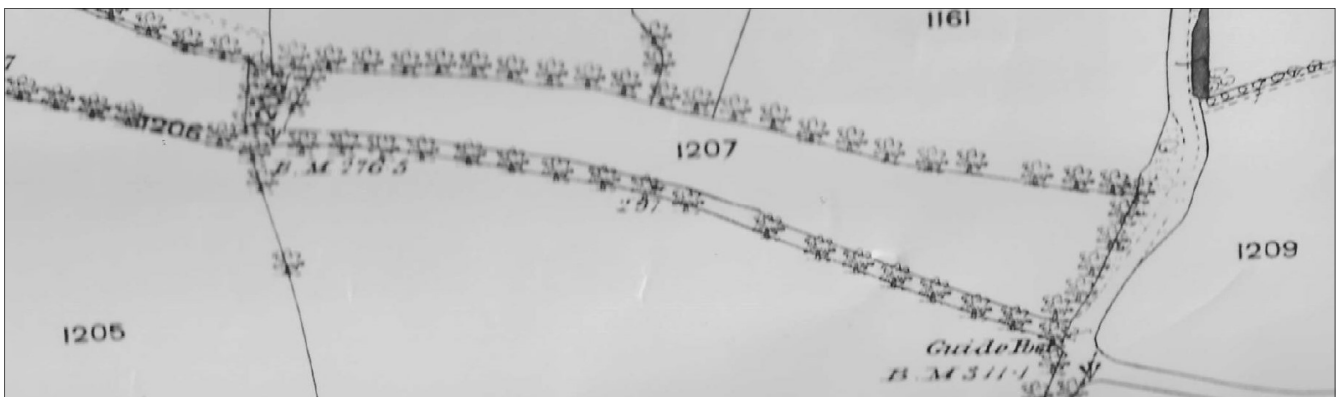
Look at the 1870s large-scale Ordnance Survey plans where fully grown trees are noted [not individually as on the even larger town maps of similar date] but indicating the presence of avenues of mature trees, and borne out in some cases by contemporary photographs.

Next time you’re out for a walk, imagine tall trees on both sides of the road and around the fields - what a landscape we’ve lost!

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BELOW:

1870s Ordnance Survey plan [25 inches to the mile, Cornwall sheet LXV.12] showing fully grown trees on roadside hedges and all around Higher and Lower Sentry fields, from Four Turnings to Pugs’ Turnings. [Trewartha “oss pool” at top right]



A different kind of Midnight Mass

‘Twas the night before Christmas; in Veryan churchtown
From all over the parish the people came down
To the church for a service to mark Christmas Day,
To make their communion, to praise and to pray.

But the ringers’ advice was: no bells would be ringing,
And the Covid restrictions meant there was no singing;
We sat three feet apart, unless in a ‘bubble’;
For fear that we’d get the churchwarden in trouble!

The organ could play, but with too few stops out,
as any loud playing could make people SHOUT.
No Great, and no pedals; so what could we play?
Very softly, ‘O Come’, a snatch of ‘St Day’?

‘Hark the glad..’, then ‘While Shepherds’, ‘Rejoice Christian men’?
A *piano* rendition? *Pianissimo* then
For certain in church a strange sound was a-coming;
The masked congregation, all - quietly – humming...