

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY - No. 291

- 2 10.00am Coffee in the Clink St Tudy Playing Fields
MOBI Recycling Unit St Tudy 11.50, St Mabyn 12.30
- 3 **THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
(THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE)
Genesis 1:1 – 2:3, Romans 8:18-25.
- 4 2.30pm St Tudy Country Dance Club fortnightly Mondays
7.30pm St Tudy Bellringers every Monday
- 5 6.30pm St Mabyn Tug of War every Tuesday
7.00pm Allen Valley Singers – every Tuesday
- 6 6.30pm St Tudy Football Club – every Wednesday
- 7 7.30pm St Mabyn Tug of War joint training every Thursday
8.00pm St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Thursdays
- 9 10.00am Coffee in the Clink funds for Queen's Golden Jubilee
10.00am Magazine Deadline
- 10 **THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**
Exodus 24: 12-18, 2Peter 1: 16-21
- 11 7.30pm St Tudy GPA Inter-village Quiz
- 12 **SHROVE TUESDAY**
10.30am Treveighan Coffee Morning
Benefice Pancake Party at the Rectory
3.30-4.30pm Children donation £1
7.00-9.00pm Adults donation £2.50 (Includes a glass of wine)
- 13 **ASH WEDNESDAY**
10.30am Holy Communion (BCP) Michaelstow
6.45pm Holy Communion St Mabyn
7.30pm St Mabyn Garden Club
7.30pm Committee Meeting St Tudy Queens Jubilee Cttee
- 15 7.00pm St Tudy W I
- 16 10.00am Coffee in the Clink – Salvation Army
- 17 **THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7, Romans 5: 12-19
- 18 7.30-9pm Evening Lent Group (Everyone welcome) Rectory
- 20 2.30-4pm Afternoon lent Group (Everyone welcome) Rectory
- 21 7.30pm St Tudy Methodist Church Coffee Evening
- 24 **THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
Genesis 12:1-4a, Romans 4:1-5, 5:13-17

ST MABYN SCHOOL NEWS

The thought of giving a public performance would make most of us have an attack of the “butterflies in our tummies”, but providing children with opportunities to do just that builds their confidence and self-esteem.

At the end of last term all the children participated in the Christmas Nativity, forming a tableaux, singing or reading the lessons. After much nervousness, the jitters were overcome and the children performed confidently and beautifully.

On a previous occasion the School Choir performed in the St Austell Music Festival and was thrilled when they won the cup for their class.

Eighteen singers were also selected to join with Truro Operatic and Drama Society to take part in the “Carolare” at the Hall for Cornwall. The opportunity to take part and sing on such a big stage scared them and filled them with delight! They especially enjoyed being treated like real professionals in being assigned a dressing room, fitted all round with mirrors and lighting!

Behind all this fun and excitement the children have worked really hard to perfect their performances and we congratulate all of them on their achievement. However, none of this would be possible without the support of their parents and their music teachers, Miss Henchley and Miss Hutt.

May we take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy New Year.

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A reminder that your annual subscription of £3 is due on 1st February. Please pay your distributor as soon as possible. Thank you.
EDITOR

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ST TUDY PLAYING FIELD

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Clink on Saturday 2nd February, 10-11.30am. All proceeds to the General Funds.

MICHAELSTOW CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Thank you to Mike and Maureen Narraway for holding and organising our Christmas Luncheon at Garner House, Tregreenwell on 22nd December. We all enjoyed a wonderful meal and convivial company – a good start to the Christmas festivities! £118 was raised for Michaelstow Church.
W.G.W.

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ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

Our AGM was well attended and members enjoyed the usual glass of wine and mince pies. The Chairman reported that there had been a good turn out at all meetings and that the show entries were up on the previous years, with more people taking part, which was very encouraging. We now have 52 members in the Association. The outing to Trengwainton had been very much enjoyed by all and it was proposed to visit Rosemoor again, hopefully in June to coincide with Rose Weekend. The Association's officers were re-elected en bloc, with the exception of our Treasurer, Ivy Bastard, who was standing down after 17 years. Ken Metcalfe agreed to take her place. We shall be having a Plant Sale in May. After the meeting we had a slide show of "George's Winter Wonderland" given by George Kestell, showing us the many plants that can give colour and scent and pleasure during the winter months.
PEGGY METTERS

Jane King adds: Hopefully I shall be around to attend meetings again soon! Thanks, Peggy, for your reports! On 11th February, the annual inter-village quiz will be hosted by St Tudy when we hope to regain our supremacy lost last year to St Kew. Competitions that night will be for a vase of flowers and a cactus in a pot. Please come and support us – it's usually a fun night, even if we don't know the answers!

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SALVATION ARMY

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Clink on Saturday 16th February. I am afraid this follows quite quickly on from the St Petroc's Coffee Morning, but the Salvation Army does marvellous work looking after the homeless and it's the time of the year when their care is most wanted.
ANDY MUIR

WINTER DRIVING

Winter has to be about the worst season for driving. Ice, snow and fog cause serious problems. The emergency services are fully stretched when adverse weather conditions occur and sometimes due to the sheer amount the more minor accidents are never attended by them. The sad thing is that most of the accidents are avoidable. The majority are attributable to driver error.

Here are some things to be mindful of when you drive in these conditions:

In fog	Slow down well in advance and keep calm
	Use your windscreen wipers and demisters all the time
	Keep checking your rear view mirrors for following vehicles
	Switch off your radio, open your windows and listen for traffic
	Keep a large gap between your vehicle and the one in front
	Switch on your rear fog lamps
	Use dipped headlamps

Remember White Cats Eyes - Separate Lanes
 Amber Cats Eyes - Mark the Offside
 Red Cats Eyes - Mark the Nearside
 Green Cats Eyes - Warn of Exit or Entrance Slip Roads

On Ice or Snow Drive slowly
 Avoid sudden braking and acceleration
 Give plenty of advanced warning of change of direction
 Use dipped headlamps and rear fog lamps if snow is falling
 Clear all glass to give maximum visibility

Front fog lights can only be used in falling snow or fog or conditions of seriously restricted visibility and **at no other times.**
Rear fog lamps (rear high intensity lights) are only to be used in seriously reduced visibility (the Highway Code states less than 100 metres) and **at no other times.**

Switch off front and rear fog lamps as soon as conditions no longer require them.

In all cases – ALLOW MORE TIME for your journey.

P C DAVE LEWIS, COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER

ST PETROC’S SOCIETY

Proceeds from the Coffee Morning in aid of St Petroc’s Society on 15th December were £273.40. Very many thanks to all who helped.

ANDY MUIR

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ODE TO STILES

I set off from St Tudy – I hiked for miles and miles,
The purpose of my venture to investigate some stiles.
STILES! I hear your mocking tone – Was that my noble quest?
But when trudging over hills and dales remember “STILES IS BEST”

For walls are meant to keep sheep in and fences keep out cattle,
And if a bull decides to charge you may not win the battle!
Even more disastrous – if you try to climb barbed wire
And snag your trousers – well – the consequences could be dire!

But stiles were built for people – cattle haven’t learnt to climb,
Though p’raps with evolution they may master it in time!
They may be built of stone, of metal or of wood.
Or just a hole to squeeze through with your pack on would be good.

Some are built by farmers to keep us off their land
And others by the council or a Young Offenders band.
Some are cunningly disguised so keep your eyes well peeled,
They may be lurking overgrown in corners of the field.

You may find ladders up and down a fence or dry stone wall,
Whilst others are a mud bath with no stepping stone at all!
Some you have to squeeze through and hope you don’t get stuck,
Or you may find a “kissing gate” with a bit of luck!

If your New Year’s resolution is to get back to grass roots,
Search out your map and compass and lace up those walking boots.
But when rambling in the countryside or “yomping” in the wilds,
Keep to the paths – don’t climb the walls – and just thank God for stiles!

SUE PETERSON

(P.S. Is anyone interested in an informal walking group?)

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

Because Easter is early this year, it seems no time at all to the beginning of Lent. The word Lent comes from the Latin word "Lenten", which means, "to lengthen". Indeed the days seem to grow longer as Spring is around the corner. Lent actually lasts for forty days and nights. The forty days exclude Sundays and of course mid way through Lent, we have the festival of Mothering Sunday. In former times Lent was an austere season of fasting in preparation for the wonderful festival of Easter.

The day before the beginning of Lent is of course Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday in some parts of the world). On this day people would use up all their remaining eggs and flour and fat to make pancakes. Hope-fully we are all going to carry on this tradition with the pancake parties at the Rectory. These are, I hope, going to be fun events.

As we move into Lent, on Ash Wednesday there will be services to mark the beginning of Lent.

Traditionally people sometimes "give up" things like chocolate or cakes for Lent. Perhaps the money you would have spent on what you give up could be given to a charity or cause close to your heart. Alternatively, you might take on something extra for Lent, perhaps spending more specific time at prayer or studying a book or joining in one of the Lent groups that I hope will appeal. However, whatever you do in Lent, I pray that it will be a time of hope and renewal and re-discovery of the living God in your lives.

I am proposing to hold two Lent groups this year. One will be held on Monday evenings during Lent at the Rectory from 7.30pm until 9.00pm. The second one will be held during the afternoons on Wednesdays during Lent from 2.30-4.00pm. If there are any specific topics, which you would like to include, please let me know. I do hope that these groups will be supported and they are of course open to everyone.

Please note that the 9.30am Morning Prayer at Michaelstow is now on Tuesdays and at St Tudy on Thursdays. I do hope this will be more convenient.

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ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to our services during February. We look forward to seeing you on the following dates:

Sunday 3 rd February	11.00am	Pastor Brian Parkman with Holy Communion.
Sunday 10 th February	11.00am	Mr Peter Parsons from Tresmeer.
Sunday 17 th February	11.00am	Service taken by Church Fellowship
Sunday 24 th February	11.00am	Mr Andrew Martin from St Mabyn
Thursday 21 st February	7.30pm	Coffee Evening with Mr Clayton Irons giving a talk on Old Wadebridge. "Bring and Buy" stall.

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QUEEN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

A meeting was held on 9th January consisting of representatives of most village organisations in order to ascertain if St Tudy wishes to hold events to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. It was unanimously agreed to appoint Brian Lamerton as Chairman; Margaret Shelley as Secretary and Howard Fraser as Treasurer of the organising committee, together with those present as with other volunteers, as members of the committee.

There were many ideas from those present and these will be formed into a day of activities on Monday 3rd June. However, it was agreed the theme of the event would be the fifties, so look in those cupboards ladies, for those petticoats and the men should start growing those side burns. Most of us of a certain age remember earlier coronation/jubilee village parties, so let's make this one to remember for both the young and old.

If anyone has any suggestions, please contact the chairman or come to the next meeting. The first fundraising coffee morning will be held in the Clink on 9th February. The February meeting will be held in the village hall on 13th February at 7.30pm.

CHRIS SELBY

THANKS

The Cornish Arms, St Tudy would like to thank their customers for raising £170 for the Air Ambulance on New Year's Eve.

I would like to thank the people of St Mabyn for the presents and card on my resignation from cutting the Playing Fields, etc. I enjoyed the job and meeting the people, but reached retiring age. KEN FINNEMORE

I would like to say a big thank you to all the kind people who sent me cards and presents while I was in hospital. I am back home again now and making a steady recovery. BILL GERRY

On behalf on the St Tudy Under 11s football team, I would like to say a big thank you to Graham and Sally Keat for their kind donation of a football kit.

FRANCIS MATULEWICZ

St Tudy Youth Club Carol Singing raised £190.07 for Mount Edgcumbe Hospice. Thank you to everyone.

The combined house-to-house, shop and pub collection for 2001 appeal amounted to £251.10. This far exceeds last year's total of £164.96. I would like to thank everyone who so generously gave to this worthwhile cause. CAROL BROWN

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CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO:

Jenny Keat who will be 50 on 12th February.

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ST MABYN PARISH COUNCIL

On New Years Eve, the Parish Council Fireworks and Bonfire Display was a huge success. Thanks to a fine and cold evening, the colourful fireworks and large bonfire were thoroughly enjoyed by a large crowd of parishioners and visitors. Our grateful and sincere thanks to all those who donated so generously towards the success and special thanks to those who worked very hard to make the evening an enjoyable one. R.H.