

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2008

1	2.30pm	Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Village Hall every Friday
3		THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS) Exod 24: 12 - end, 2 Pet 1: 16 – end
	2.00pm	Holy Baptism at St Mabyn
	3.00pm	Candlemas service at St Mabyn
4	2.30pm	St Tudy Country Dance Club fortnightly Mondays
	7.00pm	St Mabyn Salsa Club – every Monday
	7.30pm	Michaelstow Table Tennis Club – every Tuesday
5	9.00am	Yoga St Tudy Village Hall - every Tuesday
	7.00pm	Allen Valley Singers – every Tuesday
	7.00pm	Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Village Hall - every Tuesday
6		ASH WEDNESDAY - LENT BEGINS Joel 2: 1-2, 12-17, 2 Cor 5: 20b – 6: 10
	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) and Imposition of Ashes St Mabyn
	7.00pm	Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes (CW) St Tudy
7	6.30pm	St Tudy Football Club
	6.30pm	St Mabyn Governors
	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club – every Thurs
8	10.30am	Michaelstow Fete Committee meeting at Well House
10		'THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Gen. 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7, Rom. 5: 12-19
11		Schools Half Term
	7.30pm	St Tudy GPA
13	9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mabyn
	12 noon	Soup & Sweet Lunch St Tudy Methodist Church
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Garden Club
15	12 noon	Friends of St Mabyn Church Mayflower Lunch and Talk
	7.00pm	St Tudy W I
16	10.00am	Magazine Deadline
	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink – Shelterbox and Friends of the Earth
17		THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Gen. 12: 1-4a, Rom 4: 1-5, 13-17
18	7.30pm	Lent Group Rectory
20	9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mabyn
21		Coffee Evening St Tudy Methodist Church
24		THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Exod. 17: 1-7, Rom 5: 1-11
25	7.30pm	Lent Group Venue to be arranged
27	9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Mabyn
29	1.30pm	Bishop Bill – St Mabyn Church (More info in Magazine)

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

There is a warm welcome to everyone to join us on all or any of the following dates:

Sunday 3rd February	11.00am	Revd Stella Long
Sunday 10th February	11.00am	Mr Len Mabson
Sunday 17th February	11.00am	Mr C Caldwell
Sunday 24th February	11.00am	Revd Stella Long - Holy Communion

The next Soup and Sweet Lunch is on Wednesday 13th February at midday. (Please note change of day.) Cost £3. Names and numbers to Trish Hodge on 850321 asap.

Please join us for our Coffee Evening on Thursday 21st February when Revd Stella Long will speak to us about her previous work with hostels.

Dates for your diary – we will be holding a Flower Festival over the Bank Holiday weekend of 24th, 25th and 26th May. More details later.

GOODBYE BISHOP BILL

Cornwall's Farewell to Bishop Bill will take place at The Eden Project on Sunday 6th April, by kind invitation of Tim Smit.

All those attending will require tickets, which are free. The ticket will get you into the Eden Project any time after midday so there will be plenty of time to look around. The ticket will also be required to get you into the arena for the farewell proceedings, which will start at 5pm.

Please note the arena is not under cover, so keep any eye on the weather forecast! You may wish to bring a blanket or chair to sit on. Cafes and restaurants will be open at Eden, or you may like to bring a picnic. Some parishes or groups of parishes may wish to organise coaches. This will ease traffic problems and improve our carbon footprint! Tickets are available from your PCC secretaries or Reverend Margaret.

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

A reminder and a very warm invitation to EVERYONE who lives in the Benefice.

On Friday 29th February Bishop Bill will be making a final visit to St Mabyn before his retirement.

At about 2pm he will dedicate the garden in the school and conduct a Mothering Sunday service with the children. At 4pm he will be confirming two candidates so please pray for Venning at St Mabyn and Josie from Michaelstow who are to be confirmed.

From 6.30pm we will be holding an informal evening in St Mabyn Church with Bishop Bill. Wine and a finger buffet will be served. There will be a presentation to Bishop Bill from the Benefice. We will be most grateful for any contributions to the Buffet and donations towards the wine and gift.

I do hope that St Mabyn Church will be full to capacity as we give Bishop Bill the send off he deserves.

During the five Mondays in Lent, we shall be holding our usual Lent groups. I am looking for "volunteers" to lead these sessions on topics or situations of current spiritual and theological interest. Do not let this title concern you. The sessions need to be discussions on matters that interest the individual and who would like discussions with others. Let us give it a try. If you would like to lead a session please let me know.

Thank you for all who helped to make the Gallipoli Lunch such a success.

I am sure that we were all saddened to hear the death of Wallis Masters. He will be very much missed in St Tudy. Our sympathy goes out to his family.

Our sympathy also goes out to the many friends of John Singleton who will be very much missed in St Mabyn.

THE BISHOP OF TRURO WRITES:

As I drive about Cornwall one of the ways I try to say my prayers is to look out for the towers and spires of churches. Some, of course, are hidden in valleys or wooded country but as I pass the sign to them I remember the people of these hidden places and pray for them and their priests. There are though, some churches which stand out from a distance and that is certainly true of the Tower of St Mabyn, which can be seen from afar off. In the words of the Gospel it stands on a hill that cannot be hidden.

So St Mabyn Church is a reminder to everyone of the priority of God and a reminder, too that it isn't a museum, but a living place where men and women, boys and girls, live out their faith just as their forbears did. It is a place where all life, its sadness and its joys are held together. All things human are welcome here.

IT IS FOR THESE REASONS THAT I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS (RESTORATION) APPEAL AND INDEED THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INSPIRING IT AND WORKING HARD FOR IT. BY SUPPORTING IT YOU ARE PLAYING YOUR PART IN EXPRESSING THE WAY IN WHICH YOU VALUE WHAT ST MABYN AND ITS CHURCH IS AND REPRESENTS.

WILLIAM TRURO

ST MABYN'S MISTLETOE FAIR

The Mistletoe Fair went with a swing in spite of the gales trying to blow the gazebos and the holly and mistletoe to Bodmin Moor! A special thank you to Dermot who clung on to a gazebo for the whole afternoon!

The Fair was opened by the Mayor and Mayoress, Nathan and Callie, accompanied by a splendidly attired Village Cryer, Tony Dickinson. Many thanks to all who gave of their time and efforts, their cakes and mince pies and Christmas goodies, There was a cheerful array of crafts, flowers and plants for sale games to play. A lot of hard work and a lot of fun for everyone.

About £650 was raised for the Village Hall, some of which may go towards buying new, more convenient tables.

MOLLY DYKE

FROM THE EDITOR

We are happy to publicise events from any organisation, political or otherwise, provided the content is not contentious. Our constitution states that "The Magazine shall be published primarily for producing information relevant to the churches and other organisations in St Tudy, St Mabyn and Michaelstow for the benefit and interest of the parishioners. A reminder: Your Magazine subscription is due on 1st February. Please pay your distributor £4.00 as soon as possible. Thank you.

WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE IN THE CLINK!!

Consideration has to be given to the frequency of Coffee in the Clink in 2008.

Last year the Clink was open for coffee on Wednesday mornings from early April. The attendance throughout the following seven months was on average 10 persons and the total sum realised (mostly from the sale of cakes etc) was only £350.

Unless several offers of assistance are received it is unlikely that it will be possible to start Coffee Mornings before the first Wednesday in May continuing to the end of September and then (depending on the number of offers of help) only on alternate Wednesday mornings.

I would be happy to have comments, suggestions, or offers of assistance at 851267.

HAZEL GIBBONS

CAROL SINGING IN AID OF MOUNT EDGCUMBE HOSPICE

Our thanks to all (singers or listeners) who participated this Christmas. We apologise for not reaching every household but the cold beat us on two occasions. The total collected to date is £430.

BRIAN AND DAWN BUNCE

LUNCH AND LECTURE FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Following the great success of the lunch and talk on Gallipoli in January the Friends of St Mabyn Church are holding a further event on Friday 15 February in St Mabyn Village hall, 12 for 12.30pm.

Marine artist Mike Haywood, who lives in St Mabyn will give an illustrated talk on the Mayflower and the Pilgrim Fathers. Mike has recently been working on a large triptych of the incidents around composing Amazing Grace and used the church as his studio; the paintings are still there on view.

This promises to be an excellent events and tickets, costing £12 (a three course meal with wine) can be obtained from Liz and Gage Williams on 841378. Proceeds to the Restoration Appeal.

ST TUDY W I

The President, Mrs Judith Jasper, welcomed members to our Christmas 2007 meeting in December. Members were thanked for all their support given at the Village Hall Christmas Fair in providing, selling and buying the goods offered. The subscription for 2008 is set at £27, to become due in January 2008.

A quiz was held, compiled by member, Mrs Sue Dibble, and was won by Mrs M Lobb. Readings of poems and prose were then made by Mrs Y Nobbs and Mrs M Shelley, Mrs M Lobb and Mrs J Northcott and Mrs J Jasper. Dr Geoffrey Gibbons entertained members by playing a selection of popular and classical pieces on the piano.

After the entertainment, the tables, groaning with delicious homemade goodies, were lifted into the main hall for the sustenance of the members. Everyone was given a glass of fruit juice or wine and a slice of our special Christmas cake made by our President who proposed the Loyal Toast.

Carols were sung by all accompanied by Dr Gibbons on the piano. The competition, a Christmas decoration using a candle and fresh flowers was won by our President, 2' by Mrs M Lobb, 3rd Mrs S Dibble. The flower of the month was won by Mrs S Dibble.

COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Coffee Morning in the Clink on Saturday 16 February from 10.11.30 in aid of Shelterbox and Canel Area Friends of the Earth.

Do come and try your luck with the raffle or pick up a bargain on the Bring & Buy stall.

ST MABYN CHURCH RESTORATION APPEAL - GOOD NEWS!

The Appeal Committee is delighted to announce that tenders have been received and it is hoped that work will commence during April. It is important to make best use of the driest (!) season of the year so speed is of the essence. We have also been offered further grants, and donations are still being received so spirits are high! Very many thanks to everyone who has supported us, and is continuing to do so.

SUMMER MUSIC IN ST MABYN - DIARY DATES

We have now heard from further artists and are delighted to confirm the following dates all in the Church.

Sunday 25 May A Gala Night at the Opera (Duchy Opera) **Sunday 22 June** Johnny Cowling Gospel Music **Friday 18 July** Jazz on the Green

Sunday 31 August Opera favourites - Italian Nightingales

Sunday 21 September Harvest concert Unity Jazz Band. We will conclude with a Cornish Evening in the Village Hall in October, date to be announced.

ST TUDY THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

The Club held a lovely Christmas party on Thursday 20th December with an "Angel" Drive — by the time of the 6th angel the drawing had definitely improved! Members provided a super spread to eat and club funds were used up to provide sherry and wine as well as tea. It was Ron and Jean Heath's last time at being in charge, Ruth Poynton presented Ron with a bottle and we all sang, "For he's a jolly good fellow!"

They had thought it might be the club's final meeting but Ivy and Jane agreed they could run it between them. There won't be a meeting in January so the next one will be on 14th February when the speaker will be Clive Kenyon who works through the Office of Fair Trading. He will give a talk on "Consumer Advice How to avoid Scams" eg. those doorstep traders, telephone and postal scams etc.

The format will be the same as before, held on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in the Village Hall, a 50p entry fee and 50p raffle and tea. All are welcome age is not a problem nor is residency in St Tudy a requirement just turn up! Please do support us!

IVY AND JANE

ST MABYN POPPY COLLECTION 2007

The overall total for the Poppy Collection was £524.89. Many thanks to all who contributed to this ongoing worthwhile cause.

CAROL BRAY

MUSICAL TRIBUTE

For Sale CDs "A Musical Tribute in memory of Desmond Old".

Des had it recorded at St Mabyn Church. £5 each.

Proceeds for St Mabyn Church Restoration Appeal. Contact Esther Old on 01208 841283.

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

Rest in Peace.

10th January William John Wallis Masters St Tudy

15th January Stanley John Singleton St Mabyn

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

We had a very enjoyable Christmas party in December, which began with a quiz set by our Chairman John Lobb, probably some of the answers were more guesswork than brainwork but it was great fun.

Then we were lucky enough to be entertained by the Kescan Lowen Chorus with songs old and new. After a prodigious supper with wine, for which we have to thank our President, yenning Davey, the evening ended with the choir leading us in carols.

Our January meeting began with the sad news of the sudden death of our Vice Chairman Harold Barriball. He will be greatly missed by the Garden Club and his many friends in North Cornwall.

Henry Kendall was our speaker for the evening and he gave us a talk on 'Garden Plants to attract Bees', and although he gave us a lengthy list of plants we could put in our gardens it was so much more than that. With the aid of half a beehive we were given a brief insight into keeping bees and a year in the life of a honeybee, which was absolutely fascinating. He is a very gifted speaker and I wonder if any members are now considering keeping bees.

The evening ended as usual with refreshments, including delicious Christmas cake made by Hilda Halls, and the raffle with some excellent prizes.

Our next meeting on 13th February will be a talk on 'Cornwall's Native Trees' by Mr Colin Hawke. This sounds a very interesting subject. Do come and join us. We welcome new members.

S KNIBB

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The AGM held on 10th December was well attended; perhaps the promise of a glass of wine had tempted everyone!

Brian Lamerton gave his usual succinct Chairman's report listing the year's activities and thanking all who had helped make the club run successfully. He also thanked everyone involved in the Garden Club's stall at the Village Hall

Christmas Fair. We made £66 for their funds.

Ken Metcalfe, the treasurer, reported the 3 Shows had been subsidised slightly. The raffles contributed about half the cost of meetings. We made £282 on the plant sale and coffee morning. Of the 2 trips we had lost on one and made on the other so we broke even. Speakers were costing more because of increased travelling expenses, some coining a fair distance.

Membership has fallen slightly due to some people leaving the village and others sadly dying. He made a plea for us to try to recruit more members! Overall our income for the year was up £200 and so subs could continue at £4, which he would be happy to collect that night!

The club's officers were re-elected en bloc; dates for 2008 shows will be Spring –5 April, Summer - 9 August, Autumn – 11 October. Hopefully the daffodils will last for the Spring Show as they were already in bloom on Armistice Day! The Inter-Village Quiz team was selected: Sue Dibble and Jean Smith did not wish to do it again, Catherine Hudson was quite happy to continue.

After much persuasion Mary Edward Collins and Brian agreed to be part of the team, and Ruth Wright said she might do it at some time in the future. We put her name down as a reserve! It will be held on 11 February when we play host to St Teath and St Kew.

After the meeting closed, David Chapman gave us a superb slide show and talk on "Wildlife in Cornwall" with reference to nature reserves the length of the county. He is so knowledgeable - and had several copies of his books for sale, which made wonderful Christmas presents!

We finished off with tea, coffee and hot mince pies. We're a friendly bunch – so do come and join us!

JANE KING

ST TUDY PARISH COUNCIL

The St Tudy Parish Council met on Thursday 27th December in the Village Hall to process two planning applications. The Council had no objections and supported the applications:

Polshea Farm – extension of existing lounge and erection of a porch

Well Meadow – conversion of redundant carpenter's shop to annex.

Parish Council meetings are normally held in the Village Hall at 7pm on the last Wednesday of each month except in August and December. All members of the public are welcome to attend and have an opportunity to raise matters of concern at the start of each meeting.

MEV SHELLEY

THANKS

As most of you know this year we increased our lights display massively. We felt it right to try and raise some money for the Children's Hospice SW over the Christmas and New Year period. You donated £120, which was a fantastic amount. Thank you for your generosity. You can look forward to an even bigger display this year. Many thanks.

CRAIG KEAT

Ivy and Sid would like to thank everyone who gave donations in lieu of flowers for Ivy's mum, May. We were able to donate £250 to the Methodist Church and £250 to Port Isaac surgery.

Geoffrey and Hazel Gibbons were delighted to welcome many residents of St Tudy (and some nearby) who were present in the Village Hall on 15th December to celebrate Geoffrey's 80th birthday. He personally thanks the many well-wishers who between them gave in excess of 64 birthday cards that adorned 4 Chestnut Close jointly with the Christmas cards.

Thank you to everyone for all the messages of condolence, cards and kind words on the passing of my husband, Sid Angove.

BERYL

A GOOD WEDDING CAKE

4lb of love, 1 lb of butter of youth, 1/21b of good looks, 1 lb of sweet temper, 1 lb of blindness to faults, 1 lb of self forgetfulness, 1 lb of pounded wit, lib of good humour, 2 tablespoons of sweet argument, 1 pint of rippling laughter, 1 wine glass of common sense, 1 oz of modesty.

Put the love, good looks and sweet temper into a well-furnished house. Beat the butter of youth with the blindness of faults. Stir the pounded wit and good humour into the sweet argument, then add rippling laughter and common sense. Work the whole together until everything is well mixed, and bake gently forever.

SENT IN BY MRS M JOHNS

MESSAGE FROM CANADA

I am writing from St Catharine's, Ontario, Canada. My wife Janice and I were recently in England, especially Cornwall and especially the St. Tudy and St. Mabyn areas. Such beautiful towns. I have been researching the area for some time as my roots are there. My great great grandfather was Robert Hicks, son of William and Phillippa (Hawken). William was born in St. Mabyn in 1762 and Phillippa was born in St. Mabyn in 1766. They were married in 1787 also in St. Mabyn. One of their sons Robert was born in 1800 in St Mabyn who was also my great great grandfather. Another son Stephen is buried in the churchyard in St Mabyn. We were inside the church where I picked up a copy of "The Magazine". Such a beautiful church. I am currently an ordained pastor in Canada and I could just imagine preaching God's word in such a medieval historical church where you could sense the spiritual history. In Canada you would be hard pressed to find anything 200 years old never mind back hundreds of years. The lady at the shop across from the church took our picture for us. That was so kind of her.

Perhaps there might be someone who might have further information on the Hicks family. Thanks again and have a wonderful year in St Mabyn and St Tudy. Robert and Janice Hicks hicksra17@yahoo.ca