

May 2019

**Forgetting what is behind and facing the present,
living with change is sometimes the hardest thing.**



As you will have heard there has been a question mark over the future of the churches. Currently there is still no firm agreement that both the St Mawes post and ours are to be filled and at the moment neither post is to be advertised. Hopefully a favourable decision will be made in June.

If this uncertainty makes you feel vulnerable think of Goliath, King Saul thought he was too big to fight, David thought he was too big to miss: we know what happened!!

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Churchyard Appeal

Our village churchyard is a place of peace and beauty and many people remark on the care that is taken to keep it looking so good all the time. The area all around the church walls is also kept beautifully. Unfortunately this is expensive and although the Parish Council make some contribution, those attending Sunday services have to meet much of the cost. We are asking if the people living in our Parish could make some contribution to the running costs. There is an envelope for your donation enclosed, please take it to Andy Day's or Alistair Shaw's.



Open for Prayer

The next Benefice Prayer Group is on Tuesday May 7th
2-3pm at St Gerrans

HELP FOR REFUGEES Thank you for your continued support, another good collection was made in April. Unfortunately the collection and distribution centre in Wadebridge has had to be disbanded due to the unit it operated in being used once again for the Royal Cornwall Showground (it will reopen in October)

In the meantime we will take the collections to All Saints in Truro. The collection in Philleigh will be on Monday 13th May (10-12) and Tuesday 14th May (2-4). You can leave goods for refugees at St Gerrans at any time. Please mark the bags 'refugees'



Christian Aid Week. May 12th-18th

Christian Aid is a partnership of people, churches and local organisations committed to ending poverty worldwide. To donate log on to www.christianaid.co.uk or collect an envelope from church.



Messy Church

Sunday 12th May at 4pm

Messy Church welcomes children of all ages but is especially designed for children up to the age of 10 with their carers. It is very informal and begins with craft and conversation and concludes with a story and prayers.



Join us for a delicious lunch and great company at St Gerrans on Thursday 16th May any time between 12-1.30pm.

Unusually and very rarely this month's lunch is in aid of a cause much closer to home. Donations will go to our current Parish churchyard appeal. Come and have a wander round to remind yourself of the beauty of this special rural churchyard

Appropriately there will be a plant stall .



Any offers of help to Liz Roberts 580198



THE SPECIAL EVENT –FAIRTRADE POP-UP SHOP was very successful. Thank you to all those who came and helped to raise the £200 that was taken.



Thy Kingdom Come 2019

Thy Kingdom Come is a prayer initiative led by the Church of England for evangelisation. It will be held between Ascension and Pentecost, which is Thursday 30th May to Sunday 9th June 2019. The resources will be in church from May 26th when they will be introduced during the Family Service that morning.

Wednesday May 29th
Coffee morning in the Portscatho United Church on the
Lugger 10.30-12.00



Café Roseland



May 1st, 15th, & 29th

Tea, cake and lots of chat plus a wide range of
activities to try

This month's specials

Chair Keep Fit is Back

Special pottery class May 29th



Portscatho Memorial Hall 2pm till 4pm

Everyone welcome

Services in May

Sunday 5 th	10am	Holy Communion.
Sunday 12 th	10am	Matins
	4pm	Messy Church
Sunday 19 th	10am	Holy Communion.
Sunday 26 th	10am	Family Service
Thursday 30 th	7.30pm	Ascension Day
		Cluster Service at St Philleigh to mark beginning of
		Thy Kingdom Come week
Thursdays	10am	Holy Communion or Morning Prayer

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