St Philleigh Church News February 2017



Fighting Poverty through Trade.

Fairtrade Fortnight, 27th February – 12th March

Join us for theTraidcraft Big Brew Sunday 26th Feb at 10.30am (incorporating Messy Church)

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A thought for St Valentine's Day 14th February

Valentine was a Roman Priest at a time when Emperor Claudias, whilst persecuting the church, issued an edict that prohibited the marriage of young people. This was based on the hypothesis that unmarried soldiers fought better than married ones because married soldiers might be afraid of what would happen to their wives or families if they died. Valentine secretly married young couples within his church and was eventually caught, imprisoned and tortured for performing the ceremonies against the express command of Emperor Claudius. In 269 AD, Valentine was sentenced to a three part execution of a beating, stoning, and finally decapitation all because of his stand for Christian marriage.

St Valentine's example reminds us that there comes a time where we have to lay our lives on the line for what we believe. With the power of the Holy Spirit we can do that -- even to the point of death.

> For God so loVed the world, That He gAve his onLy BegottEn SoN That whosoever Believes In Him Should Not perish, But have Everlasting life.' John 3:16



Collection for Refugees.

Owing to a fabulous effort we have had a magnificent response at St Philleigh in January. So much was donated that it required two trips to Wadebridge.

Our next collection at St Philleigh will be on Monday 6th February 10

– 12pm, and on Tuesday 7th February 2 – 4pm . Please contact David on 01872 580527 if any help is needed or if you wish to deliver goods at other times. Our collections continue to go to Calais, Dunkirk, Northern France and to Syria.

Collection Corner.

We continue to collect all sorts of things in St Philleigh, things that might otherwise be wasted or thrown away.

- We collect spectacles that go to Africa.
- Stamps for Cornwall Association for blind people.
 - Postcards for the Mission Aviation Fellowship.
- Drink can ring pulls (only please, no other ring pulls) for the Purple Community Fund in the Philippines.
 - Food for Truro Foodbank

Please leave any items on the pews on the left as you go into the church

WEDNESDAY 1ST MARCH 7PM HOLY COMMUNION WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES ST GERRANS CHURCH



Please bring your Palm Crosses to church for burning by 19th Feb.

	February at St Philleigh	
Feb 5 th	10.30am	Morning Prayer.
Feb 12 th	10.30am	Holy Communion
Feb 19 th	10.00am 6.00pm	Holy Communion at St Gerrans. The Calling at St Just (Informal Cluster Worship)
Feb 26 th	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion (said) Traidcraft Big Brew and Messy Church

The Bible Study group

We continue to look at Paul's letter to the Ephesians. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 8th Feb, at Kay and Phil's home, Little Compton, Philleigh at 2.15pm. All are welcome.

Open for Prayer

The next United Benefice Prayer Group is Tuesday 14th Feb at St Gerrans at 2pm .

LENT 2017.

Watch out for details of our Lent and Holy Week services in the March Calendar, Philleigh Church News and on our website. <u>www.gerransandphilleighchurches.org</u>.

A prayer for February

As this is the month for the Traidcraft Big Brew Coffee Morning let us pray for a world that is free from poverty, where trade is just and where people and communities can flourish. We pray for all who work towards fair and honest trading practices that help people in developing countries transform their lives and their communities. *Amen*

Stop Press! Nearly New & Jumble Sale - Saturday 18th March - 10 – 4. Philleigh Community Centre. Contact Shirley 580313 for more info.