

CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER 2003

	2.30pm	St Tudy Country Dance Club fortnightly Monday's
1	7.30pm	Table Tennis Michaelstow every Monday
	7.30pm	St Truly Bellringers every Monday
2	6.30pm	St Mabyn Tug-of-War training every Tuesday
	7.00pm	Allen Valley Singers - every Tuesday
3	12 noon	Soup & Sweet Lunch Treveighan Methodist Schoolroom
	6.30pm	St Tudy Football Club - every Wednesday
4	7.30pm	St Mabyn Tug-of-War Joint Training every Thurs
	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time & Mod Seq Dance Club every Thurs
	2.15pm	St Tudy School Christmas Fair
5	6.00pm	St Mabyn HSA Christmas Fair - St Mabyn Village Hall
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Church Christmas Supper Party Manyviews
6	10.00am	Magazine Deadline
	5.30pm	St Tudy Village Hall Christmas Fair (start at Xmas Tree)
7		THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		Malachi 3: 1-4, Philippians 1: 3-11
8	7.30pm	St Tudy GPA - AGM
9	10.30am	Treveighan Coffee Morning
	7.00pm	St Tudy Whist Drive - Village Hall
10		St Tudy Luncheon Club Christmas Lunch
	7.15pm	St Mabyn Garden Club Christmas Party
13	10.00am	Coffee in the Cluck St Petroc's Society for the Homeless
	7.30pm	Concert Treveighan Methodist Church
14		THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
		Zephaniah 3: 14-20, Philippians 4: 4-7
17	7.00pm	Concert St Tudy Methodist Church Allen Valley Singers
	7.30pm	Christmas Whist Drive Michaelstow Holiday Village
19	6.00pm	Carol Singing St Tudy - Chestnut Tree
	7.00pm	St Tudy W I
20	10.00am	Christmas Tree Festival Michaelstow Church
		THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
21		Micah 5: 2-5a, Hebrews 10: 5-10
	6.00pm	Carol Singing St Tudy - Chestnut Tree
23	6.00pm	Carol Singing St Tudy - Chestnut Tree
29	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink - Allen Valley Singers

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Saturday 29th November.

A Quiet Day: Preparation for Christmas. St Tudy Rectory 10am-3pm. Please bring a packed lunch.

Sunday 30th November.

ADVENT SUNDAY.

8.00am Holy Communion St Tudy

10.00am Joint Benefice Advent Carol Service at St Mabyn

6 00pm Advent Carol Service at St Tudy Methodist Church. (Joint Service)

Monday 15th December

2.00pm and 7.00pm St Mabyn School Christmas Performance St Mabyn Church

Tuesday 16th December

6.00pm St Tudy School Carol Service St Tudy Church

7 00pm Allen Valley Choir Concert St Tudy Chapel

Friday 19th December

1.00pm St Mabyn School Christingle Service St Mabyn Church

Saturday 20th December

7.30pm St Mabyn Young Farmers Carol Service St Mabyrr Church

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st December

10am-4pm Michaelstow Church Christmas Tree Festival. Lunches and teas available on both days. Michaelstow Church

Sunday 21st December

8.00am Holy Communion St Tudy Church (BCP)

9.45am Carols at St Mabyn Church

11.00am United Carol Service at St Tudy Methodist Church

6 00pm United Carols at Treveighan Chapel

Wednesday 24th December

CHRISTMAS EVE

Isaiah 9: 2-7, Titus 2: 11-14

3 00pm Crib Service at St Mabyn Church

5.00pm Crib Service and Christingle St Tudy Church

10.00pm Christmas Holy Communion St Tudy Church

11.30pm Christmas Holy Communion St Mabyn Church

11.30pm Holy Communion Michaelstow Church

Thursday 25th December

CHRISTMAS DAY

Isaiah 62: 6-end, Titus 3: 4-7

9.30am Holy Communion Michaelstow (Children please bring one of your gifts to show everyone.)

10.00am Holy Communion for Christmas Morning St Mabyn Church

11.05am Holy Communion for Christmas Morning St Tudy Church

Sunday 28th December

The First Sunday of Christmas (Holy Innocents)

Jeremiah 31: 15-17, 1 Corinthians 1: 26-29

10am Joint Benefice Service at St Mabyn

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday 7th December	11.00am	Pastor Brian Parkman. Holy Communion will be celebrated.
Sunday 14th December	11.00am	Revd Andrew Sowden
Sunday 21st December	11.00am	United carol service. Chairman Mr Len Mabson from Camelford
Sunday 28th December	11.00am	Mr D Bannister from St Teath

On Wednesday 17th December at 7.00pm, the Allen Valley Singers will be giving a Christmas concert, to which everyone is warmly welcomed.

There is no Soup & Sweet Lunch in December and the next one will be on Tuesday 20th January 2004 at 12 noon in the Schoolroom.

A very happy Christmas to you all.

ST TUDY LUNCHEON CLUB

On 2nd November, the Luncheon Club team prepared and cooked a special lunch for the WI members and their guests. This resulted in a profit of £372 which the Luncheon Club have donated to the Village Hall Committee towards the installation of the new disabled facilities. A reminder to all members that the Christmas Luncheon will be held on 11th December. Please bring a wrapped parcel to the value of £1. As usual, please telephone 850735 or 850321 if you are unable to attend.

Lastly we are sorry to lose Jean Cousins from our team, but we wish her and Brian the best of luck in searching for a new home.

PAT TANNER

HELP!!!

We are desperately short of bell ringers at St Mabyn. If you are a ringer or would like to become a ringer, please contact me on 01208 851691.

Sadly our organist at Michaelstow is no longer with us, so we are looking for a replacement. Any offers? Please contact either myself or David Ford on 851854 if you can help.

REV. MARGARET

CAROL SINGING IN ST TUDY

Every year since the building of Mount Edgcumbe Hospice, members of the Methodist Chapel have been carol singing around the village to raise funds for this vital service. We are joined by the members of the Youth Club, mums and dads too, so why don't you come with us and enjoy this festive time? This year we shall be meeting at the Chestnut tree on Friday 19th, Sunday 21st and Tuesday 23rd December at 6pm. Just bring a torch - song sheets are provided.

CHRISTINE FLETCHER & JANIS BURDEN

ST MABYN CHURCH CHRISTMAS SUPPER PARTY

Will be on Friday 5th December at 7.30pm at Many-views in aid of Special Repair Fund. Tickets £6.00. Phone John and Anthea Lobb 841581.

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

It was our Vice Chairman who opened proceedings by welcoming members, he also sent a get well message to our Chairman who was unwell and unable to attend. Members were reminded that our next meeting on 10th December is our Christmas Party and they are to bring a plate of goodies, a small wine glass and a pencil for the quiz. Members are also invited to enter the Table Decoration competition, no bigger than 9 inches in diameter, one class for the ladies and one for the men. Party starts at the earlier time of 7.15.

Our speaker for the evening was Mr George Kestell talking to us about bulbs. Mr Kestell has spent most of his working life in Horticulture and now spends his time giving talks and running his own garden design and maintenance business.

He is also involved in promoting The Gardeners Royal Benevolent Society, soon to be known as Perennial. The Society has been in existence since 1839 and its aim is to help people in need within the horticultural industry. Mr Kestell is seeking volunteers. With the aid of slides to illustrate, Mr Kestell showed us several flowers which originate from bulbs, corms and rhizomes, explaining how and where to grow them. Our President thanked Mr Kestell for a most enjoyable evening, the raffle was drawn and we concluded the evening with a cup of tea and a chat.

Our next speaker will be visiting us on Wednesday 14th January and that will be Mrs R Smith talking on Micro Propagation. Everyone welcome.

P BARNARD

TREVEIGHAN METHODIST CHURCH

There will be a Soup and Sweet Lunch at Treveighan Methodist Church, in the Schoolroom, on Wednesday 3rd December from 12 noon. The cost is £2.50. Everyone welcome.

On Saturday 13th December at 7.30pm, Treveighan Methodist Church will present a concert of Christmas and light music, with Sue Flitter and friends. There will be refreshments afterwards. A very warm invitation is extended to everyone. Retiring collection.

MICHAELSTOW

Xmas Whist Drive at Michaelstow Manor Holiday Village on Wednesday 17th December at 7.30pm. Admission £1.50. All proceeds to Mount Edgumbe Hospice.

There will be a Xmas Tree Festival at Michaelstow Parish Church on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st December. The church will be open between 10am and 4.30pm. Refreshments will be available.

ST PETROL'S SOCIETY FOR THE HOMELESS

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Clink on Saturday 13th December from 10-11.30am; bring and buy, raffle etc. All welcome.

ANDY MUIR

ADVANCE NOTICE

Jim Allen's dancing friends want to hold a Barn Dance in his memory on Saturday 3rd January 2004 in St Tudy Village Hall. Any profits will go to a cancer charity.

JOAN CORNFORD

Has moved to Wadebridge

THE ST TUDY, ST MABYN AND MICHAELSTOW PAGEANT WEEKEND OF THE 22nd-25th APRIL 2004

The Pageant is being held to celebrate the 740th anniversary of the licensing of the first recorded Rector of this benefice. We hope that everyone in the benefice will help in any way in which they feel able to do so. The aim is to link the 740 years of history within the churches, the villages, the schools, the country and the world.

Proposed Programme of Events:

Thursday 22nd April	Pageant in St Mabyn Church
Friday 23rd April	A performance of music through the centuries in St Tudy Church
Saturday 24th April	Pageant in St Tudy
Sunday 25th April	Actual date of the licensing of the first Rector in 1244. Service of Celebration in St Tudy Church with everyone wearing their pageant costumes. The preacher will be the Sub-Dean of Christ Church, Oxford who are tire patrons of St Tudy. This will be followed by a celebration lunch.

If you are able to help in any way whatsoever, please return the slip to either Margaret Millson or Sue Peterson. Please tick as few or as many of the suggestion below as you wish.

Suggestions.

Producing tickets.	Selling tickets.	Publicity.	Music.	Costumes (design).
Costumes (producing).	Props.	Raising money for expenses eg. coffee morning.		
Placards.	Sign writing.	Set Design.	Special effects.	Lighting. Sound.
Stage Management.	Catering.	Hall Preparation.	Car Park.	Dancing.
Speaking Part.	Walk on Part.	Singing.	Poetry Reading.	Script writing.

Anything whatsoever that we have forgotten.

We hope that this pageant will provide the opportunity for the three villages to work together for a weekend of fun, laughter and thanksgiving.

Name:

Address:

I am willing to help with the activities that I have ticked in the above list.

I should like to suggest also

I can be 'contacted on tel.....

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Ben Westbrook for gaining a 2:1 BA (Hons) in Tourism Management at. Southampton Institute from a very proud family.

BOYAN ENSEMBLE

The concert by the Boyan Ensemble seems to have been a great success, judging by the comments received. A "big" thank you is due to the host families and another to those who provided a lovely spread for the choir on their arrival. The church has received £200 to cover expenses and the choir was well rewarded.

JENNY MUIR

WADEBRIDGE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC AND SPEECH

The syllabus for 2004 is now available from Mrs Monica Bragg (812955) with a closing date for entries on Wednesday 14th January 2004.

The festival is pleased to announce that Robin Mundy, BSc, MSc, LGSM will be making a welcome return visit to Wadebridge as the adjudicator for the Vocal & Instrumental classes. Roy Roe, an active member of the National Association of Brass Band Conductors and Brass Band Adjudicators will be making his first visit for the Brass classes and Mrs Mia Bell, BA, LGSM, PGVS, PGCA will be making her first visit to not only Wadebridge but to Cornwall in her capacity as adjudicator for the Speech classes.

One of the classes that has shown a marked increase in entries is the Primary School Public Speaking. This year's festival saw 10 teams enter with St Mabyn C of E School being one of those teams keen to share the skills and confidence required to stand up in front of not just an adjudicator but also a packed Wadebridge Methodist Chapel, giving a talk on a subject of their own choice. We hope that more teams from our local Primary Schools will attend in 2004 and that pupils will be encouraged to enter further classes, including verses and prose speaking, story telling and original poem composition.

If you would like to become an active member of the Festival Committee, be a Festival volunteer (helping with stewarding and/or refreshments) or for general information concerning the festival, please contact Jennifer Tarring 841329.

THANKS

We would sincerely like to thank everyone for their kind words, sympathy and offers of help after the sad loss of Howard. It is a comfort to know that our Mum is in the safe hands of St Tudy's villagers.

LESLEY, SAMANTHA AND VICTORIA FRASER

We would like to thank all for your heartwarming support upon the death of dear Jim. Your expressions of sympathy will remain with us always.

CHRISTINE, RUDI AND CELESTE GAGNON

I would like to thank everyone for their kind offers of help to me when Jim was so ill and all the lovely cards sent to me when Jim passed away. Everyone remembered his laughter which is what he wanted. Also many thanks to Rev Margaret for the lovely funeral service.

KAY ALLEN

Many thanks to all those who kindly supported the Crocus Coffee Morning and raised the magnificent sum of £123. Since then a team of willing helpers have worked hard with the planting. We now eagerly await the carpets of colour which should appear in the churchyard in the early Spring.

PAT TANNER

Thank you to everyone for their cards, gifts and good wishes during the time I was in hospital after my hip replacement. I am now recovering and shall soon be running down the road! Special thanks to Lydia and the boys.

JOY KNIGHT

ST TUDY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

This year's Bonfire Night was a great success, thanks to all the helpers, bonfire material collectors, food organisers, fireworks display team, all the generous contributors at the gate and the helpers at the Clink Coffee Morning. Thanks to the judges of the guy competition and the children who entered. After expenses were paid, the contribution to the flail was £396.35. The Christmas fair will be held on Saturday 6th December, starting at the Christmas 'free at 5.30pm for the switching on of the tree illuminations. Then accompany Father Christmas on his sleigh to the Hall where various stalls can be enjoyed and a raffle. Pasties and mince pies, tea and coffee will be on sale and the children will receive their presents. Come and join in the fun.

ST MABYN PRE-SCHOOL

Christmas is coming!

We are all celebrating our recent OFSTED inspection and are delighted to say that we have been given a glowing report, which is available for anyone to view.

Here are a few details about our group. During term time, we hold our sessions in St Mabyn Village Hall on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9.10-11.40am. All children are welcome, from 2% - 5 years of age. We are able to offer funded places. Come along and meet us - the first session is free, so that you and your child can come along and experience our group first hand. We are currently undertaking the "One Child and All Children" award system, as we are committed to providing quality care and education for your children.

As a way of showing our thanks to everyone who supports our group, we shall be holding our Annual Open Morning on Monday 8th December. Please come and help us to celebrate our success, with free tea and coffee and mince pies with clotted cream! Sit back and watch the children doing their play and singing songs for you all to enjoy! You will be made very welcome and we look forward to welcoming you to our group.

On Thursday 18th December, we shall be holding a Christmas Party, Father Christmas is rumoured to be making a stop, despite his hectic schedule! If anyone with young children would like to come along, please telephone our Play leader, Angela Brown, on 841659 for more details. We shall be back in the New Year on Monday 5th January.

Due to a lack of toddlers, we were unable to continue our Toddler Group some time ago, but are now hoping that there is enough support to begin another one. If you have a child, or children, under 2% and would like more details, then please contact either Angela Brown, telephone as above, or myself, Tiffany Davies, to discuss this. We are hoping for a fwn, informal group, providing friendship for parents and children alike!

The Pre-School Committee and Staff wish you a Peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

TIFFANY DAVIES CHAIRPERSON

ST TUDY GARDEN PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

At our October meeting Beryl Davies from Probus talked to us about "Nasties in the Garden". With dry humour, she went through the list of all the pests which can attack our gardens, from badgers to aphids, and the many diseases to which our plants are prone. In fact, it is a wonder we bother to garden at all! However, for most of these problems there are one or more answers and Mrs Davies gave us hope. We were saddened to hear that Probus itself is under threat from development as a garden centre, which will mean the destruction of several years of hard work, and all who work there are fighting this change.

In November, Ken Willcocks from Ken-Caro, near Liskeard, spoke to us about shrubs in the garden. He brought cuttings to show us the variety of shrubs which are useful at this time of the year and then we had a slide show of the many lovely plants to be found at Ken-Caro.

December's meeting will be the AGM and after the business side is dealt with there will be either a quiz or slide show. The competitions will be a Christmas table decoration, 6 Brussel sprouts and a vase of flowers.

PEGGY METTERS

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism.

25th October at St Tudy. Liam Timothy Juleff

1st November at St Mabyn. Betham Rachel Jones

Rest In Peace.

31 st October at St Tudy. Howard Fraser

3rd November at St Tudy. James Norman Roy Allen

24th November at St Tudy. Richard Hurst Poynton

ST TUDY AFTERNOON CLUB

We had a very interesting and informative afternoon in November with a representative from South West Water.

December meeting - Thursday 18th, 2.30-4.30pm. This will be Beetle Drive. Please bring a plate of food, a wrapped parcel to the value of £ 1.50. All welcome - no age barrier.

ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

Thank you to everyone who so kindly collected plastic milk bottle tops for the young man in Launceston needing a wheelchair. I am delighted to say that he reached his own body weight in tops and now has his mobility. The tops delivered to me over the past few days will be saved just in case there is another appeal but please no more.

Thanks to Pat Hockley and a catering team made up from choir members, we enjoyed an Autumn Supper (par excellence) in St Mabyn Village Hall. With a menu written in French and a spicy French song or two thrown in for good measure, we really are getting into French mode in readiness for our visit to Locmine in Brittany in April 2004.

Don't forget our Christmas Coffee Morning in the Clink on 29th November from 10-11.30am.

The choir will be singing at St Juliot, Otterham on 9th December at 7pm and our annual

Christmas Carols and Songs will be in St Tudy Methodist Chapel on Wednesday 17th

December at 7pm. This will be closely followed by a concert at Inny Vale Holiday Park,

Davidstow on 22nd December and then a much needed break until the New Year. On behalf of the choir, I would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and hope that 2004 brings you everything you need and something you want.

J TARRING 841329

ST TUDY SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who supported our Coffee Morning and Car Wash. We raised £200 at the Coffee Morning and £71.90 at the Car Wash. Sorry to everyone who didn't manage to get their car washed, you can be first next time!

Well done to our netball team who recently won the small schools' tournament at Bodmin College.

Children's work is on display at The Indian King Art Centre in Camelford at the moment. The theme this year is portraits and Charlie Mann was the St Tudy winner and Poppy Yeoman's work was highly commended.

Have you seen the salmon sculpture at Poley's Bridge? The children at school have been involved in the creation of the statue and the children will be attending a launch party on 4th December.

Don't forget our Christmas Fair in school on Friday 5th December at 2.15pm.

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

On Saturday 29th November, there will be a "Quiet Day" at the Rectory from 10am until 3pm. Soup and bread and cheese will be available. It will provide an opportunity to get away for a short time from the hustle and bustle of life in order to allow ourselves some space and time to reflect on the Mystery of Christmas. Everyone is welcome.

November has been a difficult month for St Tudy with the deaths of three very well known and much loved residents: Howard Fraser, Jim Allen and Dick Poynter. They will be greatly missed. Naturally our thoughts and prayers are with Lesley, Kay and Ruth at this difficult time.

I cannot believe that we are nearing the end of 2003. For the church of course, New Year's Day is Advent Sunday, when we begin our four weeks preparation for Christmas and the Incarnation of God becoming Man. When we ponder this great Mystery, we realise what a wonderful and trusting, yet vulnerable God we worship and how much he loves us. His love has been poured out from one generation to another.

Bishop Bill, in his address at the Patronal Festival at St Mabyn, spoke of the stones with which the church had been built. They were 300 million years old, yet God was in existence before them and will be there long after they have crumbled to dust. We are the living stones of this period in time and it is tip to us to be the foundation stones for those yet to be.

I do hope that everyone will spare some time during the Christmas period to come to church or chapel. There are lots of different services planned. Obviously the Christmas Eve afternoon services will be specially for the children, but grown ups are also very welcome. We do hope to have a donkey again this year.

Please let me know if you are unable to get to church and would like to receive your communion at home. It can be arranged.

I do wish you all a happy and blessed Christmas and I do hope that as the bells peal out on Christmas Day, in the words of the well known hymn "Every heart will sing a carol." God Bless You All.

REVEREND MARGARET

JANUARY MAGAZINE DEADLINE

Please note that the deadline for receipt of copy for the January Magazine is one week earlier than usual - Saturday 6th December.

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