

CALENDAR FOR MAY 2008

1		ASCENSION DAY Acts 1: 1-11, Mark 16: 14-20
	7.00pm	Holy Communion St Mabyn
	8.00pm	St Tudy Old Time&Mod Seq Dance Club – every Thursday
2	2.30pm	St Tudy Short Mat Bowling - every Friday
4	2.00pm	Family Fun Day Hengar Manor Country Park
5	10.00am	St Tudy GPA Outing to Hestercombe House
	6.30pm	Buffet Supper and Talk – Friends of St Mabyn Church
	7.30pm	Benefice Choir Rehearsal St Tudy every Monday
	7.30pm	Michaelstow Table Tennis Club – every Monday
4		THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 1: 6-14, 1Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11
6	9.00am	Yoga – St Tudy Village Hall every Tuesday
	6.30pm	St Tudy Governors
	6.30for7pm	Friends of St Mabyn AGM Speaker Sir David Brewer
	7.00pm	Short Mat Bowling St Tudy Village Hall every Tuesday
7	9.30am	Morning Prayer St Mabyn every Tuesday
	10.00am	Coffee in the Clink – every Wednesday
	6.30pm	St Tudy Football Club – every Wednesday
	7.30pm	Rehearsal at Truro Cathedral for Songs of Praise
8	2.30pm	St Tudy Thursday Afternoon Club
11		PENTECOST (WHIT SUNDAY) Acts 2: 1-21, 1Cor 12: 3b-13
	3.30pm	Songs of Praise Rehearsal at Truro Cathedral
12	7.30pm	Recording Songs of Praise at Truro Cathedral
14	10.00am	Coffee Morning St Tudy Methodist Schoolroom
	7.30pm	St Mabyn Garden Club
16	9.30am	St Mabyn Garden Club Outing
	7.00pm	St Tudy W I
17	10.00am	Magazine Deadline
	7.30pm	Concert St Tudy Church
18	11.00am	TRINITY SUNDAY St Tudy Patronal Festival Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-end, 2Cor 13: 11-end
21	1.15pm	St Tudy Over 60s Outing to House of Marbles
22	7.30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation St Tudy
24-26		St Tudy Methodist Church Flower Festival
24	10.30am	Flower Festival Opening Service
25		THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Lev 19: 1-2,9-18, 1Cor 3: 10-11, 16-end
	7.30pm	Duchy Opera St Mabyn Church
	7.45pm	Concert St Tudy Methodist Church
30		Supper Lower Hamatethy St Breward Conservatives

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday 4th May	11.00am	Mr Brian Parkman
Sunday 11th May	11.00am	Mr Raymond Sleep
Sunday 18th May	11.00am	Service arranged by church members Chapel
Sunday 25th May	11.00am	Anniversary – preacher Mrs Jenny Lockwood

Don't forget our Flower Festival 24-26th May. Details were published in the April Magazine but we would like to highlight the Coffee Morning in the schoolroom on Wednesday 14th May from 10.00am until 11.30am. A short opening service on Saturday, 24th May at 10.30am will be conducted by Mr Brian Parkman and a concert by the Gunningham family from St Austell on Sunday 25th May at . 7.45pm will be chaired by Mr John Bennallick. See also page 11.

ST MABYN GARDEN CLUB

The April meeting began with the AGM. The officers and committee were thanked for their work during the past year and unanimously re-elected. A new vice-chairman and two new committee members were elected without too much arm-twisting and then proceedings stopped for a cup of tea, a biscuit and the raffle. The main event of the evening then commenced. We were split into groups for a quiz, which had been compiled by our Chairman. This was great fun and had some very unusual questions, such as 'What is A Dutchman's Pipe?' Well is it a climbing plant, a tree or a vegetable? I wonder how many of you know the answer? I could make you wait until next month but I'll probably forget to tell you. It's a climbing plant.

Don't forget our outing on Friday 16th May to Bideford and Tapeley Park. Please ring Angel Bunney on 841511 to book a seat. Cost £15.

We would love to welcome a few new members. Now the school has such a lovely garden perhaps some of the children would be interested in joining with their parents.

Next month's meeting on Wednesday 14th May will be 'All Year round Colour in the Border' with Tracy Wilson, Tracy is a very entertaining and knowledgeable speaker and this is something not to be missed.

SUE KNIBB

ALLEN VALLEY SINGERS

On 19th April, we were joined by Sue Peterson and members of her current choir. Sue was a member of The Allen Valley Singers and kept in touch with us after her departure from Cornwall, so it was with great pleasure that we joined forces at St Petroc's Church in Bodmin, to sing for this occasion, which was arranged to raise money for the Heart Foundation. Our visitors stayed over until Sunday, when they enjoyed a 'Full English', before returning home to Northampton.

The choir will visit Bederkesa Court Bodmin, on 6th May, to entertain our friends, always a joy.

We have been invited to sing in the BBC 'Songs of Praise' programme, which is to be recorded in Truro Cathedral on Monday, 12th May. We understand that there will be two recordings to be broadcast. We will attend two rehearsals before the recording and we are looking forward to the whole event and to singing in concert with other local choirs. The choir will be visiting Bodmin Community College on 12th June to sing for Bodinin District Horizon.

We are joining the Phoenix Male Voice Choir from Tintagel, for a joint concert in St Endellion Church on 5th July at 7.30 p.m. Put this date in your calendar! We have some exciting events towards the end of the year but I am keeping quiet ('stun', as we used to say in the WAAF), for the time being.

Newcomers are always welcome to apply to our Musical Director, Janette Man, tel. 01208 841784. Bookings can be made by contacting Jennifer May, tel. 01208 880131. Other enquiries to the Secretary, tel. Jennifer Tarring 01208 841329. Publicity Officer, Dr. Joyce Hargrave-Wright tel. 01208 264004.

CORNISH HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

This splendid organisation, which has given a generous donation to the St Mabyn Restoration Appeal, is organising its Annual Luncheon at Prideaux Place on Friday 27th June and also the Annual Church visit to St Michael Caerhays and Gorran on Thursday 27th May. The membership is growing steadily and members will already have received their mailings, including the notification of the AGM to be held at Morwenstow, with an opportunity to visit Hawkers Hut on the cliff. Those who meant to join (it costs a very modest £10 or £15 for a couple) still can do so and attend these events, contact G J Holborrow, Membership Secretary, Friends of CHCT, The Coach House, Ladock, Truro TR2 4PL.

ABIGAIL KIRBY-HARRIS

THE LOST ART OF WOOING!!

A Concert of 17th Century Songs

On 17th May at 7.30pm in St Tudy Church the internationally known singers Jeni Melia (soprano) and Christopher Goodwin (baritone) with Brian Wright, lutenist will present a programme of music by John Dowland, Thomas Campion, Henry Purcell and others together with a cycle of new settings composed by Brian Wright of 17th century poems. These will receive their world premiere performance at this concert. Tickets are priced at the modest sum of £4.

Jeni Melia has performed extensively throughout the UK, in Portugal, the Krakow Lute Festival, in France and at the Heriot-Watt Concert Society and more recently in the Radio 3 programme In Tune.

Christopher Goodwin is Secretary of the Lute Society and has published collections of lute songs from original manuscripts. He has performed on Radio 3 In Tune programme, the feature film Shakespeare in Love, in University Challenge Professionals on BBC2 TV on 8th April, sings in a number of ensembles, and has played the lute at private functions for Ringo Starr and the Home Secretary, in addition to providing incidental music for the Royal Shakespeare Company performance of Henry VIII at Stratford-on-Avon.

Brian Wright, who lives in Wadebridge, has performed widely on radio and TV in the UK and performed in eight European countries as well as in Russia, China, Bulgaria, Ukraine and USA. For the last 17 years, he has taught at the International Sumner School at Valtice, Czech Republic and made there a film for them in 2003. He has composed and published much music for lute.

This is a concert unique in Cornwall and one not to be missed and will be an introduction to lute music for those not familiar with it, performed by world-renowned performers. We are most fortunate to be able to welcome this trio of exceptionally talented musicians at the start of their summer series of concerts.

GEOFFREY GIBBONS

SUPPER WITH GILES CHICHESTER MEP

Do join the St Breward Conservatives for a Summer Supper at Lower Hamatethy on Friday 30th May. Last year this event was not blessed with good weather but a few hardy souls ventured forth to admire Yo Hall's beautiful garden! And we are hoping for a better evening this year. Giles Chichester MEP will be our Guest Speaker and PPC Sian Flynn will also be there. Tickets cost £12.50 and can be booked from Yo Hall on 851212.

MAKE A WILL WEEK

12th - 16th May in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care

Macmillans Solicitors of Bodmin (tel. 72423) and Wadebridge (tel. 812415) will make a simple will for free in exchange for a donation to Cornwall Hospice Care.

Our hospices receive only 8% of their funding from Government, so need support through legacies and donations.

COFFEE IN THE CLINK

From Wednesday 30th April, there will be coffee in the Clink on a weekly basis. However, during the 26 Wednesdays in 2007 when the Clink was open, the profit from the Coffee Mornings was a little over £300 and if the results during 2008 are not substantially better it may be necessary to limit them to the first Wednesday in each month only. Over the last three years there has been a gradual reduction in patronage and therefore the slogan must be USE IT OR LOST IT.

ST TUDY CHURCH FETE Saturday 14th June

Arrangements are being made for this year's Fete. We have several new ideas, old favourites and more activities for our young people. But as usual, help is needed. If you would be willing to lend a hand in any way on the day or before, please contact Ken on 851261 or Jenny on 850293, This also includes new residents in St Tudy, who we would be delighted to welcome.

KEN ALFORD

ST TUDY THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

On 10th April we had a very interesting talk from our Community Police Officer, Bryan Rice and his colleague who is the Community Police Support Officer. They told us how they became police officers and all the various jobs that they do. We were surprised at the area they covered. A lot of questions were asked and afterwards we had tea and raffle. We have got Ryan Metters and his mum on 8th May in the Village Hall, talking on their experiences as chimney sweeps.

IVY AND JANE

FOR SALE

Ladies Peugeot bike 21 gears, good condition. Suitable for road or trail. £40. Tel. 850990.

GIRLGUIDING — GIRLS IN THE LEAD

Up until this point St Breward Guiders have been "The Friends of Girlguiding St Breward". With parental help and via various fundraising events along the way ie. Safari suppers, car boots, coffee mornings etc, together with generous community support and donations our Project Guide Hut Account holds £7000.

What we would like to happen from here:

- The formation of a proper Friends of Girlguiding St Breward Committee, which the Guiders would be part of, but not have to run.
- The formation of a Hut Committee to take the Renovation Project forward. The Guiders will also be part of this, and quarterly meetings would be "open" to all parents and friends regarding updates as the Project gets under way. Sid Skinner will be Site Manager and Marilyn Pluess, Secretary, but we have vacancies for:
 - A Fund Manager to make grant applications to the file of funders we have amassed along the way. Girlguiding has been the recipient of several successful grant applications nationally and there is no reason to believe that as a Registered Charity and ticking the youth boxes our Guide Hut should be any different.
 - A Treasurer — Diana Prout has for many years been the Treasurer of the Hut Fund, but once the Project gets under way this job will become more involved, especially if we are successful with grant funding, so we need someone with the time and expertise to help.
 - A Project Manager — whilst Marilyn has Project Management skills, she doesn't have any more available time to give.

If you feel you could help us please write to: Marilyn Pluess, Secretary of Project Guide Hut Horizons, Bramley Parc, Fentonadle, St Breward, PL30 4P3.

ST TUDY METHODIST CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL 24TH – 26TH MAY "VILLAGE LIFE"

The Festival will open on Saturday 24th May commencing at 10.30am with a short service led by Brian Parlunan.

The Concert planned for Sunday 25th May at 19.45 by the Gunningham family from St Austell will be chaired by John Bennallick. A collection will be taken and divided equally between the

Flower Festival and the "Precious Lives" the new Children's Hospice Fund. The evening will close with tea and biscuits.

To help fund the placements we will be holding a further Coffee Morning/Bring and Buy/Raffle in the Chapel Sunday School Room on Wednesday 14th May from 10am – 11.30am.

Festival times:

- Saturday 10.30 – 17.00.
- Sunday 11.00 – Chapel Anniversary with Preacher Jenny Lockwood.
- Sunday 12.00 – 17.00 with Concert at 19.45.
- Monday 10.30 – 16.30.

Food:

- Morning Coffee and Biscuits - £1.
- Lunches available from 12 noon to 2pm.
- Salads – Ham & cheese daily with side salad dishes.
- Hot meals (pre-booked if possible).
- Saturday – pasties
- Sunday – Cottage pie
- Monday – Lasagne and salad
- Sweet selection
- Full meal price - £6,00.
- Afternoon Tea - £3.00
- Various cakes and cream teas.

Maggie, Wendy, Anne and myself hope you will come and join in all the arrangements. We hope for a very enjoyable and successful Bank Holiday weekend with good weather and at a later date a beautiful new carpet to enhance our lovely Chapel. PATRICIA HODGE

RESTORATION OF THE CHURCH OF ST MABENA

What a joy it is to see the scaffolding go up! Our contractors, Ryearch, hope to crack on, weather permitting, and be finished by the end of the summer but there will be no interruption to the usual activities of the Church during the repairs and restoration. The school children will continue their thrice weekly visits, normal services will take place and also special services, e.g. weddings and special events too, especially the concerts in our Summer Music series. Fund raising will continue until we have paid the very last bill of every unforeseen contingency! Heartfelt thanks to all for their continuing loyal support.

TICKETS FOR THE SUMMER MUSIC CONCERTS

We have received some queries and feedback on the pricing of some of the concerts especially the "discount" offered for those buying two tickets for our less formal and jollier events. Far from being an attempt to discriminate against the solitary concert goer we wanted to offer an inducement to those very people to ask a friend to accompany them and enjoy the show too.

We would be delighted to receive the full price for each and every ticket but equally we would like to invite people to help us fill the church and so offering a small incentive seemed the right thing to do. All the concerts promise a super evening of real pleasure.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

On Sunday 20 July there will be a garden party at the Old Rectory, Helland, organised by the St Breward Conservatives with guests Sian Flynn, our PPC and also Mick Martin, Chairman of the A30 Action Group. They have a lovely garden! Admittance including a cream tea will be £5.

Tony Baldry, MP for Banbury and former MAFF Minister (the last Conservative Fisheries Minister) will be the guest of the St Breward Conservatives for 3 - 4 October. He will be the Guest Speaker at a dinner to be held at Lavethan, Blisland on Friday 3 and then at a Coffee Morning in St Mabyn, venue to be confirmed on Saturday 4th, Do put those dates in your diaries!

ST TUDY OVER 60s

Our Outing this year is to the House of Marbles at Bovey Tracey, then tea at Buelfastleigh WI. We leave from the bus shelter at 1.15pm. Please note that this year we will be a little later back than other years at about 8 o'clock. Anyone eligible who has not received an invite please contact Lilian on 851056. In the case of couples only one needs to be over sixty.

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY AT REFLECTIONS LEISURE CLUB LAUNCH

BBC Radio Cornwall's Laurence Reed will be officially re-opening Hengar Manor County Park's new Reflections Leisure Club on Sunday 4th May, as part of a Family Fun Day at the North Cornwall Holiday Park. The Fun Day, which kicks off from 2-spin with the official opening ceremony at 4pm, will remind locals that Hengar Manor is in fact 'Open to All - All Year Round', and will give everyone the chance to see the excellent facilities that are now available, including a new mini gym, beauty treatment rooms and refurbished swimming pool & changing rooms.

With Children's Entertainment & Sports, Beauty Centre Demonstrations, Special Offers and Live Music, as well as a Hog Roast and St Austell Brewery Beer Tent, the afternoon should be fun for all the family, and to celebrate the re-opening, Hengar Manor is also supporting local charity Precious Lives as well as giving one lucky local family the chance to win a Year's Full Membership in a Prize Draw on the day. For more information, please go to

www.hengarmanor.net See you there!

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ST TUDY W I

At our AGM, our President, Judith Jasper, retired from office to be succeeded by Margaret Lobb. In her report, Judith reminded members of the interesting year we have had – a year, which included speakers on broadcasting, herbal remedies, gardening, travel, cosmetic acupuncture, Newquay Zoo and interior design. In addition, there have been demonstrations on cookery and folk art; trips to the theatre, Marazion and Plymouth for shopping; Christmas

fun; and carols in Truro Cathedral. Coffee mornings, lunches, dinners, county events and the Royal Cornwall Show were also to be enjoyed.

Judith thanked the committee and members for their support and was then presented with a flowering plant from members. The next year promises to be another good one with lots more interesting things on the programme.

St Tudy WI is thriving but, nevertheless, would welcome new perhaps, younger members. The annual cup for flowers was won by Sue Dibble and the competition cup by Jennie Harris.

THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored me in the Ladies Driving Challenge in aid of the Fire Services National Benevolent Fund. I raised a total of £219 and had a fantastic day.

JEMMA SMITH

FROM REVEREND MARGARET

The Open Gardens at Lamellen at the end of March was a great success. The wet Saturday was replaced by a glorious Sunday when lots of visitors poured into Lamellen. Apart from the beautiful gardens, they enjoyed scrumptious teas, the opportunity to buy plants for their gardens and the chance to win a fantastic prize on the tombola. The result was that St Tudy Church has benefited by slightly in excess of £3000. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way. It was excellently organised but more important still it proved to be a truly great St Tudy occasion. Over 40 people helped during the weekend at Lamellen and many more provided refreshments. A very big thank you to Jeremy and Felicity PeterHoblyn for allowing the event to take place and for their wonderful generosity.

BBC Songs of Praise is being televised from Truro Cathedral in May. Two programmes are to be recorded and they will go out on BBC1 on 29th June and 1st February 2009. If you would like to sing in the "Choir", you are expected to attend three rehearsals on Wednesday 7th May from 7.30-10pm, Sunday 11th May from 3.30-5pm and the actual recording on Monday 12th May from 7.30- 10.30pm. If you would just prefer to be in the congregation you are required at the Sunday and Monday rehearsals. I have ordered 60 tickets for SATB, so if you or your choir would like tickets please contact me.

Work on the roof at St Mabyn has now begun. Beams dating from the 15th and 16th centuries have been discovered and these will be visible for a very short time during the renovation work. It will be a once in a lifetime opportunity to view the beams so interested "historians" and residents of St Mabyn may do so, but this must be done through John Lobb or myself.

The three APCMs have all taken place and the churchwardens will be sworn in at the Archdeacon's Deanery Visitation, which this year will take place at St Tudy Church on 22nd May at 7.30pm.

Although Easter now seems a long way, it was a very special time. The congregations were up on previous years and the churches all looked beautiful. Once again thank you to everyone who worked so hard decorating the churches.

THE FRIENDS OF ST MABYN CHURCH

It's now four years since The Friends of St Mabyn Church was established as a charity, whose aim is to provide the long term funding needed for major repairs to our beautiful Grade 1 listed parish church in the heart of our lovely village and parish.

We now have over 100 Friends many of whom have given most generously towards the £25,000 that we have now built up. Most of this fund will shortly be given to the Roof Restoration Appeal that, besides re-roofing the three north facing roofs, will also make urgent repairs to the church tower and modernise the antiquated heating system. We need to build up reserves for other major repairs that will inevitably be required in the future if we are collectively to pass on the church in a good state of repair to future generations.

The Friends, a registered charity, was established, as the few regular churchgoers on their own were unable to ensure that the church was kept in good repair. It was felt that there was a wider audience of parishioners who were not necessarily churchgoers but who appreciated the beauty of our church. You may also have friends and relatives who no longer live in the parish who might also wish to become a Friend – if so, please ensure that they get in touch with us.

The Summer Music Programme was published in full in the April Magazine. Below are the next St Mabyn Church fundraising events for your diary - please bring any friends.

5th May -

Monday a buffet supper from 6.30 pm with drinks in the Village Hall (or church if over-subscribed) followed by a short AGM (15 minutes!) and talk

on My Year as Lord Mayor of London by Sir David Brewer. Tickets for Friends

£7 and non-Friends £12. Please book with Audrey Cooke (841607 or

ayce@kemow76.freeserve.co.uk).

Sunday 25th May – The Duchy Opera – tickets £12.50 from Jenni Tarring (841329, jennifer.tarring@btintemet.com)

Sunday 22nd June – Johnny Cowling 'Elvis Gospel' - tickets £7 or £12 per pair from Jenni Tarring.

Of special note is the talk by Sir David Brewer on 5th May, the second ever Cornishman to be Lord Mayor of London (in 2005/06), who lives at Hellandbridge.

if you would like to become a Friend of St Mabyn Church please contact me or George Dyke (841704). GAGE WILLIAMS (841378) – CHAIRMAN