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An Easter Project

As you come into church from the car park, on your right you'll find the stained glass project, modelled on the stained glass window at Buckfast Abbey by the youth group and confirmation group some years ago.



If like me, you are stuck at home with children and trying to find a project, this could be a good model. Today the children and I made these flames from quality street wrappers and card. With Pentecost just weeks away, this could be a great way to celebrate. Cut some flames from different colours. Cut some holes and you're away. (Also a good excuse to eat some chocolate when the kids have gone to bed!)

from Maggie

All this unites us

All of us, as Christians, are united by faith in God, the Father who gives us life and loves us so greatly. ... We are united by the struggle for peace and justice.

All this unites us. How can we not struggle together? How can we not pray and work together, side by side, to defend the poor ..., to show the sacred countenance of the Lord, and to care for his work of creation?

(Pope Francis, QUERIDA AMAZONIA)

Next Week is Christian Aid Week when collections would usually be

made in Truro by volunteers from our parish and other local Churches calling door to door or collecting in the streets. Given the current situation, that won't be happening but anyone who would like to stand as witness to our fellow Christians can make a donation online at www.christianaid.org.uk

RCHT Hospital Chaplaincy

If you ever need a quiet place of peace and contemplation in RCHT Treliiske, the Chapel (1st floor Tower Block) is the place to find it.

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Messages

Prayers please for my Mum Mabel *(from Wendy)*

Greetings and Thank-you's from Terri, Angela, John, Genevieve, Andrew

Resources

Prayers in a time of coronavirus
 Coronavirus impacts all of us. Join other Christians in prayer for our neighbours near and far. Love Never Fails (see over), and other prayers on www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/churches/coronavirus-prayers.

Brainteasers

Solution to Molly's Zoo puzzle

- A Pumas
- B Chimpanzees
- C Wild Boar
- D Brown Bears
- E Penguins
- F Baboons
- G Leopards
- H Polar Bears
- I Seals
- J Tigers
- K Monkeys
- L Lions
- M Parrots
- N Eagles
- O Snakes
- P Vultures
- Q Elephants, Antelopes & Rhinos
- R Camels, Zebras & Giraffes

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 For help or a chat



because
 we are one world



Emergency Appeal

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It is a resource for patients, relatives and staff alike.

Based there is a dedicated ecumenical team of Chaplains including our own Margaret Shute, and voluntary pastoral workers including two parishioners through our SVP group. They visit the wards, responding to calls for comfort and support, providing a listening ear and prayer.

In addition, Deacon Andrew and a team of Eucharistic Ministers are on hand to tend to patients who identify themselves as Catholics, carrying out their requests for prayer and Holy Communion every week. A priest is called in emergencies only.

Margaret Shute explains “The word Chaplain comes from the Latin word cloak and grew out of the story of St Martin (316AD) meeting a man begging in the rain with no cloak. If St Martin had met the man’s need by giving him his own cloak, he would have shifted the problem to himself so instead, he tore his cloak in two and shared it with the man.”

She continues that we would love to ‘share a cloak with you’, should you or a loved one ever need it.

Sadly, this Catholic ministry is in abeyance now but we hope to be able to take up the reins again post Covid-19. Perhaps we could review how we as a parish might equip our Catholic chaplaincy team to better respond to a future crisis?



Bluebells and wild garlic still in bloom, yesterday

Landevennec Pilgrimage

This annual ecumenical pilgrimage to the Abbey in Normandy (last year’s group shown here) has traditionally been attended by some of our parishioners around this time of year, but was sadly cancelled due to the Coronavirus outbreak .

(from Andrew Shute)



Coronavirus Prayers: Love never fails

Even in the darkest moments, love gives hope.

Love compels us to fight against coronavirus alongside our sisters and brothers living in poverty.

Love compels us to stand together in prayer with our neighbours near and far.

Love compels us to give and act as one.

Now, it is clear that our futures are bound together more tightly than ever before.

As we pray in our individual homes – around the nation and around the world – we are united as one family.

So, let us pause and find a moment of peace, as we lift up our hearts together in prayer.

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Parish: Hearts on Fire?

Pope St John Paul II said that “The parish is not principally a structure, a territory, or a building, but rather, the family of God, a fellowship afire with a unifying spirit, a familial and welcoming home, the community of the faithful,necessary to carry out the word and grace of the Gospel and to correspond to the various circumstances of life in which people find themselves today.” (*Christifideles Laici*, 26)

Over the last seven weeks in lockdown, we have been sharing some images and memories of our living parish. So - Looking forward now to life ‘after the flood’, here is a question for readers: what kind of things would you most like to see happening in our parish in the months ahead, to make ours an

‘environment of living communion and participation?’ (*EG114*)

We’ve already heard from a number of people (e.g. Big Breakfast!) so let us know your ideas and, God willing, together we can make it happen!



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