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Introducing Holy Habits

From September in our Cluster, we will be following the **Holy Habits** programme, in order to help us all to grow in our discipleship. This programme seeks to help us all to develop and deepen the ways that we live out our faith, every day. It focusses on ten Holy Habits, which we will explore together one at a time across the Cluster.

The ten **Holy Habits** are drawn from the description of how the earliest followers of Jesus lived, which we find in Acts 2.42-47:

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The habits are as follows:

Biblical Teaching Felllowship
Breaking Bread Prayer
Sharing Resources Serving

Eating Together Gladness and Generosity Worship Making More Disciples

We will be beginning in September and October with the **Holy Habit – Eating Together**; and then we will continue in November and December with the **Holy Habit – Gladness and Generosity**. There will be special activities relating to each habit, and they will also feature in our church services and in small groups which meet in the Cluster, but there will also be ideas of how all of us can go further with the habit as individuals in our everyday life as well.

I hope that as we seek to live out our lives as followers of Jesus through these Holy Habits, we will find that we are richly blessed, but also – more importantly – that we see God's blessings pour out all around us in unexpected ways.

Revd Elizabeth



Congratulatons to all our new deacons! Geradine and Rose are already a part of our cluster family.

The Six church challenge a success!!

Thank you so much to everyone who supported my walk, it was amazing to have people meeting us or joining in the walk, so encouraging! Thank you also to everyone who generously donated, with your help I managed to exceed my target of raising £800 for ICS!! Avila Wild



Avila and James set out



St James, St Kew



St Endellion



St Peter's, Port Isaac



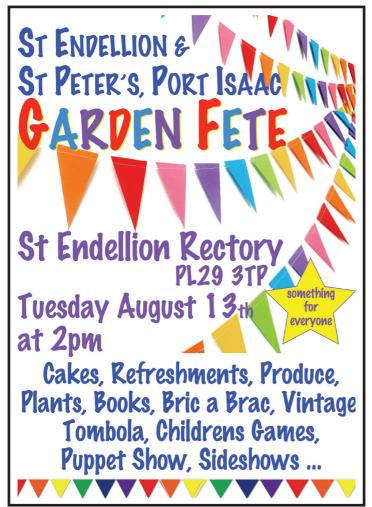
St Minver



St Enodoc



St Michael's



Church Fetes

Fete season is upon us. Please see our church summer fetes listed below:

St Endellion & St Peter's, Port Isaac Garden Fete 2pm Tuesday 13th August, St Endellion Rectory

Please come along and support our Fete and for more information, or if you need help delivering any contributions to the stalls, call 01208 880207 or 01208 840028.

St Minver Fete Wednesday 21st August

Entries are invited of poems, or prose (maximum 300 words) on the theme of love for a book being produced for the North Cornwall Book Festival. Some will be read at the Book Festival Service. Entries to Judith by email judithpollinger262@gmail. com by 13th August.

Opportunities at St Kew ACE Academy

Job Vacancy: As part of their provision of wrap around care for families, St.Kew ACE Academy is looking for someone to take on the after school minding of children from 3.15pm until 5.30pm, Monday-Friday. There will always be a member of staff on site and at present there are only a few families who need support. If you are interested please contact Rachel Murray at: RachelM@st-kew.cornwall.sch.uk for further details and application form.

Volunteer Vacancies: St.Kew ACE Academy are looking for volunteers to help with their small team of gardeners and also help around the school doing various light tasks. If you are interested & have a couple of hours to spare please contact Rachel Murray at: RachelM@st-kew.cornwall.sch.uk for further details and application form

A Shrew Story

Found by a bridesmaid tucked away by a south aisle pew, a tiny shrew, just an inch long from snout to tail, but very still. Perhaps he came to see St Menefreda in bunch of pale blue delphiniums but could find nothing to eat? He ended his days on consecrated ground but what happened to his brothers and sisters?





Save the date!

Sunday 29th September. Harvest Lunch at the Perceval, 12.30pm. More details next month.



Harvest Festivals 2019

22nd September St Minver 11am 29th September 4pm St Peter's. Port Isaac. St Michael's. 6pm Porthilly St Endellion 6th October 11am St Enodoc 3pm 6pm St James.

St Kew



What do your child hood memories of summer include?

I can remember summers that were so wet it even rained in the stories in summer editions of the comics we read. My fondest memories are of hot summers and playing on beaches, walks along a gentle river and of milk lollies that only cost 10p. I can remember missing the best sunny days uncomfortably hiding from the heat with my chickenpox and being covered in pink calamine lotion. In my childhood we moved around a lot, but our holiday was always to Granny and Grandfer in Taunton which became the steady constant to my changing life.

As we plan our summer holidays and activities, as we take pictures and videos to record them and as we share them with friends on social media we - at some level - are aware that these times are special, that they are memories we want to keep. A tapestry of memories helps us to know our journey through life, our successes and joys as well as our defeats and sorrows. It can give us a sense of who we are in world and family and community memories can give us a sense of our place in time and space. Memory making isn't just for summers and for holidays though and some of our most important memories can be of something more mundane; in the Pixar film "UP" Russell the young boy is remembering a game he used to play with his now absent Dad, "that might sound boring" he says "but I think the boring stuff is the stuff I remember most."

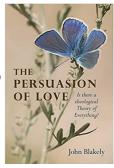
When we want to make memories for ourselves and for others, we would like it to be the best, the biggest and the newest because we want to give lasting memories above the ordinary we crave the thrill of the extraordinary and that is quite a normal desire I think.

There are many stories of the extra ordinary things that Jesus did - commanding storms to die down, feeding 5,000 people with a boy's pack lunch, raising a girl back to life but it is in the ordinary place of a meal, of a little bread and a little wine that we are to remember him. I believe that today, Jesus still meets us in the bread and the wine of the communion service and Jesus still meets us in the ordinary people we meet through the week, and though it might sound boring, it could be that the boring stuff is what we remember most.

The Persuasion of Love by John Blakely

This book is not a nanby-pamby study of love but a brief serious exploration of love as the founding principle of the universe. The idea of persuasion in the context of love was suggested by our friend Paul Fiddes in his writing 'Creation out of love' and John Blakely goes on to explore what it might mean for God to have created out of love.

John, an old friend of mine, and classical pianist, asks the question "Is there a theological theory of everything?" He endeavors to answer in perhaps ways you have never considered – gently discussing with you how and where to look for love.



If all love has God as its source as revealed in Jesus Christ, then the language of love is between God and all his creatures. If God could command his creatures to respond with love, then he would not be the loving creator. So is creation open to disaster if he has given us permission to choose not to respond with love? Can we find love when faced with tragedies and disaster in the world? John suggests we may if we look.

In the chapter 'One minute to midnight' John challenges us to have been shamefully slow to connect our faith to the needs of caring for the planet – the hot topic of global warming is discussed too.

There is much more in this book to encourage you to expand your thinking and doing in response to the love of God.

Ruth Varcoe

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The deadline for text and or pictures* for the September issue is:

10th August 2019

* Please note that permission is required for people in photographs and written parental consent for children.

Cluster services and Events - August 2019

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Date	St Kew	St Peter's	St Endellion	St Minver	St Enodoc	St Michael
Sunday 4	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship	11.00am Sung Eucharist	11.00am Holy Communion with Junior Church	3pm Evensong	6pm Evensong
Sunday 11	9.30am All Age Worship	9.30am Holy Communion	11.00am Sung Eucharist	11.00am All Age Worship	3pm Evensong	9.15am Holy Communion 6pm Evensong
Tuesday 13		2pm Garden Fete				
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Wednesday 21				2pm St Minver Parish Fete		
Saturday 24 Bartholemew Saturday			9.30am Eucharist			
Sunday 25	9.30am All Age Worship	9.30am Holy Communion	11.00am Sung Eucharist	11.00am All Age Worship	3pm Holy Communion	6pm Evensong

Weekly Services

8am Tuesday Holy Communion (BCP) St Endellion, 10am Wednesday Holy Communion St Minver

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