

North Cornwall  
Cluster of Churches  
**Newsletter**

December  
2020



For the parishes of St Kew, St Endellion with St Peter's, Port Isaac  
and St Minver with St Enodoc (Trebetherick) and St Michael (Porthilly)

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# Fellowship of the barn

Tolkien's epic trilogy begins with the book "Fellowship of the Ring", a tale of four hobbits (who's natural habitat is a quiet and peaceful shire) on a perilous journey accompanied by two men, an elf, a dwarf and a wizard. The company would in any other circumstance be unlikely fellows but as they sojourn through forests, over mountains and in caves of the deep, they discover their need for each other and as they learn the stories they each carry and as they face enemies together, they develop a deep friendship for each other. Legolas the elf and Gimli the dwarf built a particularly strong bond despite the prejudices long held by their own people.

Advent is the time when we put up little models of barns in our homes and churches, and we will send pictures of people associated with that barn to each other. We will sing (covid securely) carols and for a short time we will hold together an image of shepherds, magi, angels, cows and sheep, and a young family surrounding in awe the new born baby.

It is unlikely that the fellowship of the barn were actually all together that first night but that is not the truth that our nativity set are pointing to. The local farm labourers and the foreign aristocrats have heard the message of God and they respond with worship for the Christ in the humble dwelling place of animals.

Our nativity scene is so that we can see ourselves included in fellowship at this miraculous moment of God becoming like one of us to be among and with us whether you be the shepherd, the wise person, the young family or even the sheep or old cow, God is delighted to be with you.

The challenge of the nativity set is for us to allow others- no matter how different they may be- to stand or kneel beside us in fellowship and to worship in a manner fitting to their own customs. The fellowship that God draws us to, is more than one where we share the same space, but a fellowship that travels together through beauty and adversary; a fellowship to learn of each others' stories and a fellowship to aid and to be aided. Fellowship of the barn is how we live the nativity scene day by day and week by week.

*Marcus Jones.*



**22**  
**Christingle**  
Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 4pm St Peter's Port Isaac  
**Booking is essential**  
Revd Elizabeth 07758407661 elizabeth-wild@live.co.uk

**Crib Service**  
Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 4pm St Minver  
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## A message from Revd Rose

I'm really pleased to be able to share with you the news that I am pregnant! Claire and I are excited to welcome the new arrival next June. Unfortunately I have been very unwell with a pregnancy-related condition called hyperemesis gravidarum, an extreme form of nausea and vomiting, and I would welcome your prayers for this to ease so I can get back to work and normal life.

*Revd Rose Jones*

We wish Rose and Claire every blessing at this hope filled, yet demanding time, and continue to surround them with our love and prayers.

*Revd Elizabeth*

# *Advent & Christmas Services*

*Sunday 6th December*

St Peter's

4pm Carols by candlelight

St Kew 6pm Carol Service

*13 December*

St Minver 6pm Carol Service

*20 December*

St Endellion 6pm Carol Service

*Monday 21st December*

St Minver 4pm Crib Service

*Tuesday 22nd December*

St Peter's 4pm Christingle

*Christmas Eve*

St Peter's

10pm Holy Communion

St Kew

11.30pm Holy Communion

St Endellion

11.30pm Eucharist

*Christmas Day*

St Kew

9.30am Holy Communion

St Minver

9.30am Holy Communion

St Endellion

11am Eucharist

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Christmas services: Please book  
your place by contacting  
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Dear friends, I invite you to take part in this national event by way of Christmas cheer, spreading hope and strengthening community. All the details are on the poster. The Carol Service Sheet & invitation can be downloaded. Invite your neighbours, tune into premier radio & sing along. Just what we need this Christmas. Do let me know if you are planning to organise this.

*Rev'd Geraldine*

# CAROLS ON THE DOORSTEP

\* SUNDAY 20TH DECEMBER  
5:30 PM

**Join us for a National carol sing on your doorstep with your neighbours.**

**It's so easy to join in....**

\*Download and print the Carol Sheet and invitation from  
[www.premierchristianradio.com](http://www.premierchristianradio.com). or  
[www.newcastlemethodistdistrict.org](http://www.newcastlemethodistdistrict.org)

\*Pop them through your neighbours' doors inviting them to join you

\*5:30pm on 20th December tune your radio to Premier Radio or Freeview 725 or download the Premier Radio app on your phone, then sing along to the Carols played. Why not wear your festive jumpers too and even bring out something to shake or rattle?



<https://www.facebook.com/CarolsOnTheDoorstep>

# CAROL SERVICES

*Online Carol Service available  
from Tuesday 8th December at  
[www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk](http://www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk)*

**Sunday 6th December - 4pm**  
***Carols By Candlelight***  
**at St Peter's, Port Isaac**

**Sunday 6th December - 6pm**  
***Carol Service*** at St Kew

**Sunday 13th December - 6pm**  
***Carol Service*** at St Minver

**Sunday 20th December - 6pm**  
***Carol Service***  
**at St Endellion**

**\*booking is essential for all our Christmas  
services - please contact Revd Elizabeth on  
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# The Bible Course

**An eight-session course helping you explore the world's bestseller.**

The Bible is a big and complicated book to read and for many it can be difficult to know where to start. Maybe you've been part of a Bible study group and want to build your confidence so you can study the Bible on your own, or maybe you need help connecting together the bits you've been reading. The Bible Course is a great resource, whether you are familiar with the Bible or just starting out.

The Bible Course helps you see how the books of the Bible are part of one big story.

Using a unique storyline, The Bible Course will show you how key events, books and characters fit together.

The video teaching, course guide and daily readings will help you grow in confidence as you read the Bible for yourself.

Acts as a great follow-on resource for those who have done introductory courses like Alpha and Christianity Explored.

This is an online course via zoom, which is very easy to use and you will be sent a link each week to join the group from the comfort of your own home.

We will start on Tuesday evenings from 26th January

Find more details at: <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course/>

Contact Geraldine if you are interested in joining a group: [gezzalou@aol.com](mailto:gezzalou@aol.com) 07957609085

*Reverend Geraldine Ashton*

## *Blue Christmas Service*

*Available online from*

*Tuesday 15th December 2020*

*[Northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk](http://Northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk)*

*Everybody is welcome to  
join us for this quiet  
contemplative service*



# ONLINE SERVICES

[www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk](http://www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk)



Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 4pm **Crib Service** St Minver church

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 4pm **Christingle Service** St Peter's Port Isaac

### Booking is essential

to enable us to provide a covid-safe environment and keep you up to date with any changes. To avoid disappointment please contact

Revd Elizabeth 07758407661 [elizabeth-wild@live.co.uk](mailto:elizabeth-wild@live.co.uk)



### Online Services.

The Christingle and Crib service will be available online soon after the live version. Activity Packs are available for families to join in with the service online. Contact Elizabeth above to order your packs.



## WORSHIP & PRAYER FROM HOME

DOWNLOAD RESOURCES

[www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk](http://www.northcornwallclusterofchurches.org.uk)



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### Next issue

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

**14th December 2020**

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

# Cluster services and Events - December 2020

Date	St Kew	St Peter's	St Endellion	St Minver	St Enodoc	St Michael
Sunday 6 <i>Advent 2</i>	6pm Carol Service*	4pm Carols by candlelight*	11.00am Eucharist	11.00am Holy Communion	3pm Evensong	6pm Evensong
<b>Online Service:</b> Tuesday 8th December - Online Carol Service						
Sunday 13 <i>Advent 3</i>	9.30am Morning Worship	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Eucharist	6pm Carol Service*	3pm Evensong	6pm Carol Service at St Minver*
<b>Online Service:</b> Tuesday 15th December – Blue Christmas Service						
Sunday 20 <i>Advent 4</i>	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship	6pm Carol Service*	11am Holy Communion	3pm Evensong	6pm Evensong
Monday 21				4pm Crib Service*		
Tuesday 22		4pm Christingle*				
<b>Online Service:</b> Tuesday 22nd December: Crib Service						
Thursday 24 <i>Christmas Eve *</i>	11.30pm Holy Communion	10pm Holy Communion	11.30pm Eucharist			
Friday 25 <i>Christmas Day *</i>	9.30am Holy Communion		11.00am Eucharist	9.30am Holy Communion		
<b>Online Service:</b> Christmas Day: Christmas Reflection						
Sunday 27 <i>Christmas 1</i>	9.30am Morning Worship	No service today	11.00am Eucharist	11.00am Morning Worship	3pm Holy Communion	6pm Evensong

Correct at time of printing. Please check weekly pew sheets for more information

**\* To book for Christmas services please contact  
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