

North Cornwall Cluster of Churches Newsletter

November
2021



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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What is Alpha?

The Alpha Course is a series of sessions that explore the Christian faith. The North Cornwall Cluster of Churches will be running an online Alpha starting Monday 8th November 2021 for 6 weeks throughout Advent. Each session looks at different questions around faith that are thought provoking and designed to create conversation.

For those who already have a Christian faith it is an opportunity to learn and share with others. For those who are interested in learning more about the Christian faith it is an opportunity to ask questions and explore Christianity in a safe, non-judgemental way.

Here are what past attendees think:

"Alpha changed my life 25 years ago.....loved the course so much have done it 13 times..... such a great time of making good friends and learning so much." (Meg)

"A safe and supportive place to explore my spirituality." (Nicky)

"A good place to learn why you call yourself a Christian. Friendly people who do not mind stupid questions! I learned a lot about my faith from lovely people." (Pip)

"I joined an Alpha course with trepidation. I'm 74 years old, what had I let myself in for! It wasn't an easy journey to start but helped me to understand the Christian faith which has been the greatest influence in my life. A bonus was that the food was great and the companionship even better." (John)

"Alpha is a caring and sharing community, where all can make life-long friends" (Cherrel)

Alpha begins at 7pm with a warm welcome and a DVD presentation to promote discussion, bring a cuppa or a glass! The sessions finish at 9pm ish. They will be held online using zoom. If you are unfamiliar with zoom, instructions and help to access it will be given beforehand.

Alpha is for everyone and everyone is welcome. Contact Rev'd Geraldine Ashton at gezzalou@aol.com or 07957-609085 if you are interested.



Online Alpha Course

You are invited to join a friendly and informal chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share your point of view.

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**Every Monday starting on 8th November for 6 weeks until
13th December, 7pm - 9pm**

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Pandemic Requiem

A silhouette of a person, possibly a priest or a mourner, holding a long staff topped with a cross. The figure is positioned on the left side of the poster, facing right. The background is a warm, orange-hued sunset sky with soft clouds.

*A special service to
remember all those
affected by the pandemic
with music from Faure's
Requiem*

St Minver Church
6pm
Sunday 7th November

*Unity Service for
St Minver parish*



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Remembrance

November is a time of the year for Remembrance. November 11th and the nearest Sunday have, of course, for the past hundred years been kept as days on which we remember the sacrifice of those who fought in both World Wars and in subsequent conflicts. This year indeed is the hundredth anniversary of the founding of the British Legion in 1921, which now oversees the Armistice commemoration. What we remember is the service and the selflessness of those who died which has allowed us to enjoy freedom and security. In remembering them we also value the service of those who serve in the armed forces today as also those who in the various branches of civilian service keep us safe.

But November has been a time of remembrance for long before the twentieth century's wars. The church keeps November 2nd as the day of All Souls, remembering all those who have died. It is a time when families come together to remember the recently departed, taking the opportunity to visit graves and other memorials. Services are held in church to remember loved ones and to read out the names of those who have died. This can be a time of sadness and regret. But the church celebrates All Souls on the day after the Feast of All Saints. It is easy to think that Saints must be special people not like us. And indeed those who are remembered throughout the year on their individual saints days are usually people who have, like those we remember on November 11th, made some special sacrifice or give service in their lives in a particular way.

But on All Saints Day we rejoice with all those who are special in God's eyes, particularly those of whom nothing particular is remembered or known. But as we are all special in God's eyes, we are all saints. We should not be afraid of recognising this and valuing ourselves just as God values us. Calling ourselves holy - for that is what saints are - may seem presumptuous. But to deny it and denigrate ourselves is to deny the goodness of God who in his compassion and all-encompassing love has created us for himself. We are loved by him whether we choose to recognise it or not. If we do recognise it, we should not be ashamed to acknowledge that it makes us saints. We need only to accept God's love.

Andrew Lewis

Remembering a Loved One

Light a candle
and remember
departed
loved ones



4pm
Sunday
7th November,
St Endellion

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

14TH NOVEMBER

10.30am
Remembrance Service
St Kew

10.30am
Remembrance Service
St Peter's

10.50am
Eucharist with
Remembrance Service
St Endellion

10.50am
Remembrance Service
St Minver*

Please wear face coverings in church

*booking essential at St Minver -
contact Ruth Varcoe 01208 862954
email: varcoeuk@aol.com



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CAROL SERVICES

Sunday 28th November
4pm - *Christingle*
St Minver*

Sunday 5th December
6pm - *Carol Service*
St Minver*

Sunday 12th December
6pm - *Carol Service*
St Kew
4pm - *Carol Service*
St Peter's

Sunday 19th December
6pm - *Carol Service*
at St Endellion

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(contact Ruth Varcoe 01208 862954 email:
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churches (please contact Wardens to enquire).

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ENDELIENTA

Arts and Spirituality in North Cornwall

Spindle Ensemble

Saturday 20 November at 7.30pm

The Spindle Ensemble perform contemporary classical music including elements of folk and jazz with their unique line-up: piano, marimba, vibraphone, violin, cello, Celtic harp and accordion.

Tickets £10 (accompanied under 16s free) from www.endelienta.org.uk or on the door.

"These guys are seriously talented" Nick Luscombe BBC Radio 3.



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Next issue

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

17th November 2021

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

Cluster services and Events - November 2021

Date	St Kew	St Peter's	St Endellion	St Minver	St Enodoc	St Michael
Sunday 7	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship	11am Eucharist 4pm Remembering a Loved One Service	6pm Pandemic Requiem		
Sunday 14 Remembrance Sunday	10.30am Remembrance Service	10.30am Remembrance Service	10.50am Eucharist with Remembrance	10.50am Remembrance Service*		6pm Evensong
Sunday 21 Christ the King	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship	11am Eucharist	11am Holy Communion	3pm Evensong	6pm Evensong
Sunday 28 Advent 1	9.30am Morning Worship	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Eucharist 12.30pm Baptism	4pm Christingle	3pm Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
Weekly Services: 8.30am Tuesday Holy Communion (BCP) St Endellion						

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



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