

# OUR NEWS

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## THERE BUT NOT THERE SILHOUETTE GRANTS FOR WW1 REMEMBRANCE

A national charity which supports soldiers and aims to commemorate 100 years since the end of World War 1 is hoping to encourage churches and other community organisations to host installations of seated silhouettes to remember those soldiers lost in battle.

The There But Not There campaign is an initiative from Remembered.

It is hoped the silhouettes will appear wherever there is a roll of honour, taking names off memorial walls and returning them to the spaces they left behind, putting them back into each community's psyche once again.

All money raised will be distributed evenly between The Royal Foundation's Armed Forces Programmes, Walking With The Wounded, Combat Stress, Help for Heroes, The Commonwealth

War Graves Foundation and Project Equinox: Housing Veterans.

### Grants available

If you are interested in a figure, whether you are representing a religious organisation, school, village council or other community organisation, the Armed Forces Covenant Trust Fund will be releasing microgrants to allow as many communities as possible to take part. This grant opportunity will re-open on Monday, September 3 until September 30. This has been extended due to the overwhelming number of applications received.

### READ MORE

[www.trurodiocese.org.uk/2018/08/there-but-not-there-silhouette-grants-for-ww1-remembrance/](http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk/2018/08/there-but-not-there-silhouette-grants-for-ww1-remembrance/)

## RINGERS SOUGHT TO MARK CENTENARY OF ARMISTICE

Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers is backing a government project inviting all bell ringers to join the nation in marking the end of the First World War by ringing together on Remembrance Sunday.

The Guild is keen to encourage all churches within the diocese to join in.

Ringers are asked to mark the centenary at 12.30pm on Sunday, November 11 to coincide with the nation's tribute as thousands march past the Cenotaph. All are welcome. If you haven't done so already, speak to your tower captain and start making plans for ringing during this national moment.

### READ MORE

[www.trurodiocese.org.uk/2018/08/ringing-remembers-bells-to-ring-out-to-mark-the-centenary-of-the-armistice/](http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk/2018/08/ringing-remembers-bells-to-ring-out-to-mark-the-centenary-of-the-armistice/)

## SAVE THE DATE: DIOCESAN SYNOD

The next diocesan synod takes place at County Hall in Truro on September 29. More information is available on the diocesan [website](#).

## LOCAL PASTORAL MINISTRY KEY SKILLS COURSE

There is a **Local Pastoral Ministry Key Skills** course planned for October. The course will take place on Thursday afternoons in the cathedral starting in October.

More information is available from Sarah Welpy on 01872 247211.

# ENVIRONMENT

## HARVESTING CREATIONTIDE

Many churches and schools celebrate Harvest festivals this month.

The season of Creationtide, from September 1 to October 4, focuses on our Christian responsibility to care for God's creation, both by giving thanks for God's good gifts and also by considering how we may care better for creation. Helpful resources can be found at [creationtide.com](http://creationtide.com) and you can sign up at [ecochurchsouthwest.org.uk/creationtide/](http://ecochurchsouthwest.org.uk/creationtide/) for daily emails of prayers and readings during this season.

As we thank God for the harvest so we are also called to take action to care for the natural world. Luci Isaacson, the diocesan environment officer, is visiting churches across the diocese during September; get in touch with her ([luci@climatevision.co.uk](mailto:luci@climatevision.co.uk)) if you would like ideas.

The link between climate change and poverty is a daily reality for the environmentally fragile parts of our world. Many churches will be supporting Christian Aid's Harvest Appeal which this year will help empower rural women in Ethiopia through access to sustainable energy. The appeal is being match funded 1:4 by the EU (each pound donated becomes £5). For more information go to [tochristianaid.org.uk/harvest-appeal](http://tochristianaid.org.uk/harvest-appeal) for stories of communities whose lives are affected by the reality of climate change. If your church generates renewable energy from solar panels, Jill Stone, regional coordinator for Christian Aid would love to talk you. Email [jstone@christian-aid.org](mailto:jstone@christian-aid.org).



Many are achieving small steps to living more simply, while preparing for Creationtide or answering the call to switch to renewable energy, across the diocese ([www.trurodiocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Environment-Award-Scheme-2018.pdf](http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Environment-Award-Scheme-2018.pdf)). Here are St Mary's, St John's, St Peter's and St Pol de Leon of the Penlee Cluster and Epiphany House, Truro, who received Green Church Kernow Bronze.

## GREEN CHURCH KERNOW AWARDS

More information

[www.trurodiocese.org.uk/resources/social-action/environment/green-church-kernow-awards/](http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk/resources/social-action/environment/green-church-kernow-awards/)

## DIOCESAN DIRECTORY CHANGES & UPDATES

### LICENSED CLERGY

**The Revd Chris McQuillen-Wright\*** was licensed yesterday as Rural Dean of Pydar. He continues as Priest in Charge of St Columb Minor & St Colan.

### PTO

**The Revd Eileen Martin\*** has been given PTO in this diocese. **The Revd Fran Clemow\*** has been given PTO in this diocese.

\* Contact details can be found in the online directory <http://www.trurodiocese.org.uk/directory-live/>

## CONFERENCE TO CALL FOR SANCTUARY COMMITMENT

A conference planned for December is aiming to bring together the key organisations in Cornwall to discuss the importance of the county being a place of sanctuary for all people.

Sanctuary in Cornwall will take place on Saturday, December 1 and those attending are being invited to declare their school/ business/ community and organisation a place of sanctuary.

The conference, which is a partnership between the Diocese of Truro, All Saints Church Highertown, Cornwall Quakers, Cornwall Refugee Resettlement Network, Turning the Tide and RJ Working, will feature a range of speakers.

The event is being hosted by All Saints Church Highertown and attendees are currently on an invite only basis although tickets are likely to become available to the general public nearer the time.

### READ MORE

See the poster on page 4 or visit the diocesan [website](#).

# ALL SAFELY GATHERED IN? THE CHALLENGES FACING FARMERS

The weather has made this year an extremely challenging one for many farmers. How can we help those in our communities at a time when the harvest is coming in but the emotional, economical and practical pressures of achieving that have been a very high price to pay?

Revd Caspar Bush was a dairy farmer until five years ago when he sold his cows to become a clergyman. Today he is team rector of the five churches in and around Redruth and knows first-hand about the issues facing our farming communities. He said: "This year has created a powerful reminder of the vulnerability of many farmers' and growers' businesses. It's a stark reality that the two things which affect farming fortunes far more than anything else – the weather and the market – are things which farmers have absolutely no control over.

"Thank God, the farmers and growers who produce our food are usually very resilient and resourceful and most will find a way to struggle through this year. But the worries for all are very real and relentless, and some will be



Revd Caspar Bush pictured during his farming days

facing severe financial difficulties and even insolvency."

Clergy working across our rural farming communities are urging people, especially as harvest time is upon us, to remember to ask people how things really are.

Caspar said: "Harvest festivals are a great time to check on any farmers you know, to pray for them, and encourage them in the work they do in good times and in bad."

**READ MORE**

## INSPIRING PROJECT AIMED AT 'REMEMBERING GOD' FOR THOSE WITH NO CONFIDENCE IN GOING TO CHURCH

It's undeniable that across Cornwall we have a problem with missing generations in our churches. Not just the elusive 'youth' but whole other generations below and above the age of retirement. So, it's very tempting to think the older generation are okay – they have the type of church they want and are being very well served. But are they?

What if you felt housebound? What if you were living with dementia? Lonely, or lost the confidence to walk into a church. What if you felt the church you knew and loved was no longer accessible to you and everyone you knew has long since left?

God laid all of these questions on the heart of Barbara Bennett who decided it was time to act. Once a month Barbara organises, "Remembering God" at Stoke Climsland, part of the Callington Cluster. Led by Revd

Annabel King, it's a short service designed specifically with older people in mind who, for whatever reason, have lost their confidence in church.

Barbara was volunteering at their Church Café and realised, through talking to those who came along, that there were many barriers to people either coming back to church or trying it for the first time. "Some would say, 'Barbara, this café feels different,' and I would suggest, 'That's because God is here!' And then we would talk about what that meant. When I asked if they might like to come along to a church service, the answer would often be that they didn't feel they had a place there anymore, or couldn't physically get there at the appointed time, or it's not like it used to be."

Read more of Barbara's inspiring story on the diocesan [website](#).

## CHANGES TO NATIONAL CHURCHES TRUST GRANT PROGRAMMES

The National Churches Trust has published details of its grants programme for 2019 to 2023.

**Foundation Grants** (£500 - £3,000), **Gateway Grants** (£3,000 - £10,000) and **Cornerstone Grants** (£10,000 - £50,000) are all being introduced.

Current grant programmes will come to an end on their next deadlines.

**The Maintenance Grant Programme deadline is September 26, 2018. This will also be the last round of the Maintenance Programme under its current name.**

More details can be found in the guidance note on the [website](#), where you can also find the link to the application form.

## CHURCH HOUSING TRUST CHANGES ITS NAME

Homelessness charity Church Housing Trust has changed its name to Church Homeless Trust.

Church Homeless Trust's new name emphasises its focus on homeless individuals and the specific support they need to rebuild their lives. There is no government funding for individual needs such as new ID, stipends for transport, or living costs if someone's Universal Credit has been delayed. Without these items it is impossible to live independently.

[www.churchhomelesstrust.org.uk](http://www.churchhomelesstrust.org.uk) for more information,

## WHAT DOES 'FOLLOW-UP' ACTUALLY MEAN?

We often talk about follow-up in Life Events – keeping in touch with all those who have recently had a church wedding, a baptism, or a Church of England-led funeral. But what do we mean by 'follow-up', and how is it possible to ever have the time for it? Sandra Millar explains on the Church Support Hub website.

Read it [here](#).

# ST SITHNEY'S SKELETONS REVEALED BY WORKERS

Restoration at St Sithney revealed more of the church's past than they were expecting. As work began to rebuild the floor, the building contractors discovered human skeletons.

Perhaps not as significant as the discovery the skeleton of Richard III in a car park, these were people nevertheless, just as deserving of a high degree of dignity and respect.

A re-burial is planned and, as the remains were evidently originally entrusted to the care of St Sithney, that is where they will remain. As Revd Dr Peter Johnson said, "We want to respect those who previously worshipped and lived in the parish."



"Our builders were not surprised by the finding of a few bones to begin with but then got a shock when, the more they dug, the more full skeletons were discovered," said Shaun Rothwell of Rothwell Historical Restorations.

[READ MORE](#)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 Church Open Day**, St Tudy Church, 11am - 3.30pm;
- 1 Salt & Sky Folk Duo with refreshments**, St Tudy Church, 7pm
- 1 - 2 Never a dull moment flower festival**, St Ervan Church, St Columb Major, 10am - 5pm.
- 8 St Ives Flower Festival**, St la's Church, St Ives, 10am
- 8 Day of Prayer**, Newquay, see page 1.
- 11 - 15 Festival of Art & Crafts**, St Uny Church, Lelant, 10am - 5pm (10am - 4pm on 15th). In aid of the church floor fund, installation of disabled access & facilities.
- 21 - 23 One Day, One Choir**, World Peace Day
- 22 Organ Recital by Joseph Wicks**, St Tudy Church, 7pm;
- 25 Friends & Fruit - a reflection on John 15 Quiet Day**, St Just in Roseland Church, 10am - 4pm,
- 29 Choral Evensong**, St Tudy Church, 6pm;
- 29 Sponsored Folk Music after-**

- noon**, St Rumon's Church, Ruan Lanihome, 2pm - 4pm, refreshments available.
- 29 Diocesan Synod**, County Hall, Truro
- 30 Patronal Service, Harvest Festival, lunch & Auction**, Michaelstow Church, 11am.

### OCTOBER

- 17 - 18 Families & Faith Conference**. This 1-day conference will help all who meet families & young children through baptism, toddler groups or school. £125pp (£95pp if booked before 1/9/18). See familiesandfaith.org for information.
- 17 Discover Landevenec Day**, Sclerder Abbey, near Looe, 11am - 3pm, £10, [E datacontroller47@gmail.com](mailto: E datacontroller47@gmail.com)
- 20 So What conference**, Truro Baptist Church, 10am - 4.30pm, £5
- 21 World Mission Day**
- 28 Oll an Gwella Shanty Group & Cornish refreshments**, St Tudy Church, 2.30pm.

## GET IN TOUCH

If you have a news story or a diary date to share, contact us: **T 01872 360037**  
**E [comms@truro.anglican.org](mailto:comms@truro.anglican.org)** before the 17th of each month.

**Meet the Funders 2018 – Follow up Workshops**  
 All from 9.45 am for refreshments, 10.00 am start – close at 1.00 pm  
 (Full postal addresses of venues to follow)

**Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> September – Saltash (Burraton)**  
**Workshop 1 - Developing a project:**  
 How to find evidence for your project and turn those great ideas into reality.  
 We will have:

- A look at developing your project: vision, mission and values
- Demonstrating evidence of need for your funding bid
- Understanding relevant data and how to find it

Click [HERE](#) to book a place

**Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October - Wadebridge**  
**Workshop 2 - Applying for Funding for a Project (for beginners):**  
 Where to look for potential funding, looking at a basic application and Top Tips for a good application.  
 We will cover:

- Where to look for potential funding
- How to complete funding application forms and enrol funders in your project
- Top tips for a good application

Click [HERE](#) to book a place

**Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> November - Liskeard**  
**Workshop 3 - Running a project:**  
 Building a sustainable project: Measuring project outcomes and how to evaluate, monitor and evidence your work.  
 We will have:

- A look at sustainability
- Measuring project outcomes
- How to evaluate, monitor and evidence work

Click [HERE](#) to book a place

Full booking details are also on Transformation Cornwall's website  
<https://www.cuf.org.uk/transformation-cornwall>  
 If you have any queries please email [info@transformation-cornwall.org.uk](mailto:info@transformation-cornwall.org.uk)  
 or tel 01872 274351 Ext 205 and leave a message.

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# Sanctuary in Cornwall

A CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF CORNWALL BEING A PLACE OF SANCTUARY FOR PEOPLE HERE AND THERE AND TO INVITE EVERY SCHOOL, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY AND ORGANISATION TO DECLARE THEIR PLACE A PLACE OF SANCTUARY

## SPEAKERS INCLUDE

**GULWALI PASSARLAY**  
 Global Assembly for an Inclusive & Just Society, currently residing in the UK. He is the author of 'The Unfinished Sky: Current Year's President of the United Kingdom Peace Movement, commissioner for the Children's Society, commissioner for UN poverty and Advisor to Refugee Relief Europe.

**MANDA BROOKMAN**  
 Social entrepreneur, human rights and social justice activist and award-winning social fund, micro-finance, economic & systems thinking. Manda is Director of Resettlement, UK and Coast and founder of Care Dispatch and the Cornwall & Isles Act of Sanctuary initiative.

**PADDY DOWLING**  
 Paddy Dowling, UK based humanitarian researcher, writer and author of 'The Unfinished Sky' (2016) and 'The Unfinished Sky: A Journey of Faith, Hope and Resilience' (2017). He is also a member of the UK's National Security Council and has worked for the BBC, Channel 4, Sky News, and the Guardian.

**ESMÉ PAGE**  
 Imagine if we could put a Cornish holiday on the horizon of every Cornish resident and their family, a time to rest, a time to be our beautiful county, then these people and our little group would come together. Esmé founded Cornwall Hugs (2017) in the wake of the Grenfell tower disaster.

What's happening on the day?

10.00am Registration and Introduction	1.30pm Human Suffering (Paddy Dowling)
10.30am Human Spirit (Gulwali Passarlay)	2.00pm Reflection and Action Groups
11.00am Reflection and Action Groups	2.30pm Interval
11.30am Interval	2.45pm Human Flourishing (Esmé Page - Cornwall Hugs)
11.45am Human Self (Caroline Virgo - Clewer initiative)	3.05pm Human Flourishing (Manda Brookman - Sanctuary)
12.05pm Human Self (Sarah Acraman - Safeguarding)	3.25pm Round-up (Turning the Tide)
12.25pm Reflection and Action Groups	3.50pm Sanctuary in Cornwall (Revd Jeremy Patman)
12.45pm Interval (Lunch)	4.00pm Finish

SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 10.00AM TO 4.00PM  
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