

# OUR NEWS

## NOVEMBER 2018

### SURVIVORS URGED TO TAKE PART IN TRUTH PROJECT NEXT MONTH

Bishop Chris has urged people who are survivors of childhood sexual abuse to consider contributing to the ongoing national inquiry chaired by Professor Alexis Jay.

The Truth Project is a part of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse and is coming to Cornwall during November 2018. The project is currently arranging these opportunities in Cornwall, and making contact with them now will ensure you can be involved.

Victims and survivors of child sexual abuse will have the opportunity to share their experiences of how institutions, including the Church of England, failed to protect them.

**“Voices of survivors need to be heard”**

Bishop Chris said: “Many people who suffer abuse during their childhood will feel the effects throughout their lives. As a society and as a church I think we have got better at recognising that, but there is still a long way to go. Key to this is the realisation that we need to hear the voices of survivors; we need to hear from them about the impact that abuse had on them.

“For some individuals that impact can be devastating, and I don’t think we can underestimate the importance of hearing this - not least because it might prompt those who have not experienced abuse to realise that



these are ordinary people - just like anybody else, just like me, just like you.

“I hope these voices will be translated into everyday action to ensure that people of all ages are safe and well looked after, and when we believe that is not the case to give us the courage to speak up and if necessary speak out.

“If you are a survivor of abuse and you were not protected by an institution, I would urge you to consider whether this is something you could contribute to.”

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### DRAFT COVENANT ON CLERGY CARE & WELL BEING

The Church of England is being invited to take part in a ‘Big Conversation’ on a new deal to co-ordinate and improve its approach to clergy care and well-being.

The suggested text of a Covenant for Clergy Care and Well-being, modelled on the Military Covenant, is published for consultation along with a set of proposed shared commitments between ministers, churches and the wider church.

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### WW1 SCULPTURE CREATED BY VETERANS IN PAUL

Remember the story of former commando Patrick McWilliam and the stone sculpture project for the award-winning Peace Garden at St Pol de Leon?

The plan was to gather a group of ex-servicemen and women affected by post-traumatic-stress disorder to create a sculpture to commemorate the end of WWI. That plan has paid off in ways that even Patrick’s enthusiasm hadn’t anticipated.

The art work is profound. Strong, solid in shape and structure, but also heart-breakingly fragile.

It’s formed of three stone pillars, leaning into each other. On one is the three-hands grasping each other, on another a Tommy helmet and on the third, the words Peace and Pax. The flag draped over the wave etched plinth is separate, set apart but leading you in to what follows.

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# THE DAC - A FRIEND NOT A FOE

“ From the moment a parish begins to articulate its desire to make a change, to when the application, or faculty is submitted to the Chancellor, I’ll be there. ”

*Sue Thorold, DAC Secretary*

Managing a diocese inevitably involves jargon and a bewildering array of abbreviations, DAC, BDC, OFS, CMS, TMS to name a few. All of which can be intimidating and excluding. And that’s a shame as the people behind the letters work hard to help, encourage and grow the Anglican Church across Cornwall.

Sue Thorold is one such person and she is key to the DAC, or Diocesan Advisory Committee. This represents a wide group of people who invest their time, predominantly voluntarily, and expertise to ensure that all open church buildings across Cornwall are protected, cared for and get a say in what happens to them.

But times move on, the fabric of these precious buildings decay and change become necessary to reflect the different ways in which churches are used today. Churches are not subject to secular planning permission, but must legally comply to ‘faculty jurisdiction.’ A bit like ecclesiastical planning permission.

“I am there right at the beginning,” says Sue, “and I will last the course, working alongside churches to support them through what can sometimes be an overwhelming process.

“People used to think that the DAC always said no to everything,” says Sue. “But we’ve worked hard to change that perception. It isn’t just one person, the Chancellor, who has a say in whether things get approved. He has the last word but he will take advice from other bodies, like the Victorian Society or Historic England.

“We’ve come to know what will be acceptable and what might need re-thinking. So, rather than standing back and letting an application get to the decision stage if we think it will be rejected, we spend a lot of time working with people, including the various bodies, to try to come up with a solution that works for everyone.”

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## DIOCESAN DIRECTORY CHANGES & UPDATES

### LICENSED CLERGY

**Revd Stephen Holmes\*** has been instituted and inducted as Rector of Padstow, St Merryn and St Issey with St Petroc Minor. **The Revd Jeff Risbridger\*** has been licensed as Associate Priest of Ludgvan, Marazion, St Hilary and Perranuthnoe.

**Revd Paul Holley\*** has been licensed as Rural Dean of Trigg Minor and Bodmin. **Revd Jane Horton\*** has been licensed as a Public Preacher.

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



## PRAYER DIARY

### FIND THE RIGHT WEEK

4	30 September - 5 October	10	11-17 November
5	7-13 October	11	18-24 November
6	14-20 October	12	25 November - 1 December
7	21-27 October	13	2-8 December
8	28 October - 3 November	14	9-15 December
9	4-10 November	15	16-22 December
		16	23-29 December



## READER MINISTRY CELEBRATED AT ANNUAL SERVICE

Readers from across the diocese gathered at Truro Cathedral this weekend for the annual service to celebrate Reader Ministry.

Trigg Minor and Bodmin Deanery Choir provided an uplifting start to the worship with Bishop Chris presiding. Brenton Blandford, a Reader from Saltash, was the Assistant

Minister and Helen Purchase from Godrevy Team Ministry preached on encountering God in thin places. Other Readers took their part in the service – Annette Claridge led the intercessions and Brian Davis read the Lesson from Exodus.

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## NEW LOOK PRAYER DIARY

The Diocesan Prayer Diary has been re-launched.

The Diocese of Truro Prayer Diary, which is now quarterly, is created so that we can hold in our prayers the world wide Anglican Communion as we pray for bishops and their dioceses across the world.

We also pray for the parishes in our own diocese. Praying for those who minister - both clergy and lay, and all who contribute to the life and witness of our churches.

In addition the Prayer Diary includes a range of groups, events and activities which we would encourage you to support with your prayers.

To download the latest edition, click [here](#) or to receive it via email sign up [here](#).

## ENVIRONMENT

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS -  
SWITCH TO RENEWABLES

"Many have been upset by the report from the IPCC (see story right), which told us in no uncertain terms about the urgency of cutting atmospheric carbon. My LinkedIn file was viewed 47 times before 9am that morning and the free 10 Pledges website crashed", writes *Luci Isaacson, Diocesan Environment Officer*.

"But action is underway, and we can be proud that the church is at the forefront. The best action I have seen in three decades of environmental campaigning, was this year at General Synod.

"As DEO, my focus is on empowering those I meet throughout the church to embark on activities that meet the five marks of mission in a whole range of ways. For example, switching to renewable energy is missional because:

- it can visibly bring the power of God to the people of God;
- it helps build a fairer, healthier and more participatory world;

- doing so contributes to a more just, sustainable and peaceful society;

- it transforms a short-term way of life into a longer-term possibility;

- it recognises the natural wealth of Cornwall and turns it into power for the people.

"For individuals doing this, it fulfils Pledge 2; for church buildings it completes Green Church Award Resources Categories 2 and 5.

"Today it can even be cheaper to switch to renewable energy, as discovered by a congregation member at St Constantine who was delighted to see his energy bills go down on switching!

"As Christians, we are the people of Good News. If you have already switched, either individually or as a church, you are in a good position to explain to others that Renewable Energy is Good News for us, Good News for humanity and Good News for God's creation."

BISHOP CALLS FOR UK  
'NET-ZERO' COMMITMENT

The Church of England's lead bishop on the environment has said a report published by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reveals a 'critical risk-level' for global communities.

Speaking from the European Churches Environmental Network in Katowice, Bishop Nicholas Holtam, Bishop of Salisbury, urged the UK Government to commit to a target of net zero emissions by 2050.

"The evidence published by the IPCC shows that the risk level of climate change is now critical. Ours is the first generation to know and understand this and probably the last to be able to do something meaningful towards climate justice," he said.

"The Church of England is playing its part with around 2,000 churches now running on green energy tariffs, and as a voice in the ear of companies in the seven highest emitting sectors through its investment portfolio, leading shareholder resolutions to expedite transition to a low carbon future."

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## FOR SALE: HANDBELLS

A set of Whitechapel handbells are for sale. The set, which includes 22 bells plus 1 replacement is being offered at £2,750. For more information call 01503 264414 or email [deirdrecrocker@gmail.com](mailto:deirdrecrocker@gmail.com)

## IN OTHER NEWS....

**Bell Ringers sought to mark the Centenary of the Armistice**

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**Coffee mornings, bake sales & Gift Aid**

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**Singing for Syrians**

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**Special Sundays & Dates of Interest**

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Churchwarden Maureen Metcalfe, Revd Stewart Turner from St Constantine Parish Church with Robin Curtis and Chris Hussey from Transition Constantine and their Bronze Green Church Kernow award

## 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/)

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## NOVEMBER

**2 Cornwall Community Flood Forum. Annual Conference**, Truro Methodist Church.  
**2 A Service for All Souls**, St Broeke Church, Wadebridge, 7pm.

**3 WW1 Memorial Concert**, Egloshayle Church, Wadebridge, 7.30pm.  
**3 Remember these men - a talk about WW1 casualties from local villages**, Otterham & St Juliot Hall.

**5 Clergy Curry Kitchen**, Newquay [+ more info](#)  
**7 Steve Tyrrell plays Bach**, Lanteglos Church, Camelford, 7pm, £5/ Children Free.  
**8 Meet the Funders 'Running a Project'**, Liskeard [+ More info](#)

**8-11 St Wenn Remembers - WW1 remembrance events** [+ More info](#)  
**9 Journey's End (film)**, St Agnes Church, 7pm, £5 (proceeds to Combat Stress).  
**9 - 11 Commemorative Flower Festival & Armistice Exhibition**, St Wenn Church.  
**10 Vigil Service**, Tintagel Church, 7pm.  
**11 Remembrance Sunday**  
**11 War Horse**, St Stephen-in-Brannel Church, 4pm.

**11 A Concert of Remembrance**, St Marnarch's Church, Lanreath, 7.30pm, FREE.

**13 Parish Training Session (PCC Treasurers)**, Wadebridge Christian Centre, Wadebridge, 6pm - 9.15pm.  
**17 Parish Training Session (PCC Secretaries)**, St Martin's Church, Liskeard, 9.45am - 1pm.  
**23 - 26 Celebrating Christmas flower festival**, Morval Church, 10.30am - 4pm.  
**24 Parish Training Session (Churchwardens)**, Hawksfield, Wadebridge, 9.45am - 1pm.  
**24 Annual Readers Quiet Day for Advent** Epiphany House, Truro.

**CHRISTMAS DEADLINE**  
 Advertising your Christmas events? Please let us know before November 17, 2018.  
 T 01872 360037  
 E [comms@truro.anglican.org](mailto:comms@truro.anglican.org)

## SIGN UP TO OUR MAILINGS HERE

# POPPY MAKERS WANTED



On Sunday, November 11 Truro Cathedral will mark the centenary of the end of World War One with a special 'poppy drop' during the Remembrance Service on Armistice Day. This echoes the 'poppy drop' that took place in November 2014 marking the centenary of the start of World War One.

But before that can happen thousands of paper poppies (each one remembering lives lost during the war) need to be made, so a plea is going out from Truro Cathedral to individuals and community groups to make as many poppies as they can for the drop on Remembrance Sunday.

Information and templates are available the cathedral itself (just inside the west doors on the left) while digital versions are available to download from the 'Get Involved' section of the cathedral website: [www.trurocathedral.org.uk](http://www.trurocathedral.org.uk). Together with the information display there is a poppy collection point for people to deposit their finished poppies, or people can send them to Truro Cathedral 'A Message For Peace', Old Cathedral School, Cathedral Close, Truro, TR1 2FQ by November 2.

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## GET INVOLVED WITH #FOLLOW THE STAR

The Church of England has launched its 2018 Advent campaign - Follow the Star. Find out how you and your church can get involved [here](#).



The Parish of St Stephen-in-Brannel

'There but not There' commemorative art installation

Book of memories

Exhibition of wartime memorabilia

1000 handmade poppies

Exhibition Friday 9th, 10am - 4pm  
 Saturday 10th, 10am - 1pm  
 Sunday 11th, 12 noon - 4pm  
 Light refreshments available

Service Sunday 11th, 10.55am at The Parish War Memorial then processing to church

Film War Horse Sunday 11th, 4pm donations welcome

at St Stephen Parish Church

# 100 Years of Remembering

## Finding Treasure in Life's Scars

Kintsugi Hope Groups are a series of twelve weekly sessions where we seek to encourage and inspire each other in areas surrounding mental and emotional wellbeing; including honesty, anxiety, self-acceptance, shame and resilience. These groups are non judgemental, honest, and open to everyone who is seriously looking to begin or continue to put the pieces of their lives back together, however they got broken, in a safe and confidential environment.

Begins Monday 29th October @ 7pm  
 Stithians Centre (The Hendra Room)  
 Stithians TR3 7DH

Cost: £1 per session to cover room cost.  
 Free tea/coffee and cake available.

Please contact either  
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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**

 <b>GULWALI PASSARLAY</b> Gulwali Passarlay is a 28-year-old Indian-born, British citizen, resident in the UK since 2011. He is currently the former Vice President of the United Kingdom-based International Commission of the Quakers' Society, involved in anti-poverty and human rights work.	 <b>MANDA BROOKMAN</b> Manda Brookman is a Quaker and a member of the Cornwall Quakers' Society. She is currently the Director of Partnership at the Cornwall Quakers' Society.
 <b>PADDY DOWLING</b> Paddy Dowling is a Quaker and a member of the Cornwall Quakers' Society. He is currently the Director of Partnership at the Cornwall Quakers' Society.	 <b>ESMÉ PAGE</b> Esmé Page is a Quaker and a member of the Cornwall Quakers' Society. She is currently the Director of Partnership at the Cornwall Quakers' Society.

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 Reflective and Action Groups
11.00am Reflection and Action Groups	2.30pm Interval
11.30am Interval	3.00pm Human Flourishing (Esmé Page - Cornwall Blog)
11.45am Human Self (Caroline Virgo - Claver Initiative)	3.00pm Human Flourishing (Manda Brookman - Sanctuary)
12.00pm Human Self (Sarah Acopian - Safeguarding)	3.25pm Round-up (Turning the Tide)
12.15pm Reflection and Action Groups	3.50pm Sanctuary in Cornwall (Bard Jeremy Patnaal)
12.45pm Interval (Lunch)	4.00pm Finish

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SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER 10.00AM TO 4.00PM  
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