

# BLISLAND with TEMPLE and ST BREWARD

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# PARISH CALENDARS

## BLISLAND with TEMPLE

- December 1st Monday S.Andrew Apostle. Holy Communion  
10.00 a.m.
- December 3rd Wednesday Mothers' Union 3.00 p.m.
- December 7th Second Sunday in Advent (Third before Christ-  
mass) Parish Communion 10.00 a.m
- December 8th Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holy  
Communion 10.00 a.m.
- December 14th Third Sunday in Advent (Second before Christ-  
mass) Parish Communion 10.00 a.m
- December 17th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion  
10.00 a.m.
- December 17th Wednesday. Parochial Church Councils of  
Blisland and St Breward 8.00 p.m.
- December 21st Fourth Sunday in Advent (Last before  
Christmass) Parish Communion 10.00 a.m.
- December 22nd Carol singing round the village, starting  
from church at 6.30 p.m.
- December 24th Christmass Eve. Midnight Mass starts at 12
- December 25th Christmass Day Holy Communion 9.30 a.m.
- December 28th First Sunday after Christmass Parish  
Communion 10.00 a.m. Carol Service 6.00 p.m.
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## ST BREWARD

- December 3rd Mothers' Union at Blisland 3.00 p.m.
- December 7th Second Sunday in Advent (Third before  
Christmass) Mattins 11.30 a.m.
- December 14th Third Sunday in Advent (Second before  
Christmass) Parish Communion 11.30 a.m.
- December 17th Wednesday Mothers' Union Corporate Communion  
at Blisland 10.00 a.m.

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19th ~~Thursday~~  
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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

"Carols by Candlelight" at 6.30.p.m.  
in the Sunday School.

## Refreshments

Proceeds will be for the Save the Children Fund

Morning Service in Chapel 10.00 a.m  
led by the Rev H. Luke

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## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

Please note carefully the times of the Christmass services in both parishes. St Breward's Service of Lessons and Carols will come as a spiritual preparation for Christmass, as it did last year, on the Fourth Sunday in Advent at 3.00 p.m. Blisland's similar service will be a thanksgiving within Christmas tide on 28th December at 6.00 p.m. Both of these services should be regarded as an extra, a bonus, and NOT AS A SUBSTITUTE for attendance at the Lord's own service of Holy Communion. Note the way I spell CHRISTMASS.

There will also be the fun of braving the weather in our carol singing parties round the parishes, which we shall cover as widely as we can even if we cannot get everywhere in our 16,605 acres. At St Breward Mr and Mrs Bousfield have kindly invited the carollers to Hantergantick for refreshments afterwards, and at Blisland I hope to see my carolling friends at the Rectory at the end of our tour.

Each year there comes the good news of the Lord's coming, as though it were new every time. It is astonishing that the Creator of this world, the Universe and you and me should reach out and touch us, as it were, in such a way in the birth of Jesus. That truth is emphasised in the earthy manner in which it all happened: the inn too full of everyone preoccupied with his own concerns for any room to be found for God; the daily occupations represented by the shepherds. Had it all happened here today they could still have been shepherds, herdsmen, quarrymen or housewives. They could have been pensioners or children. I am sure they were honest people doing their work well and they would not have heard the angels' glory song or seen any brightness had they been grumbling about their pay or shirking their duty.

Into this everyday world God came to share our human life. He still does, especially in the Eucharist, and in many other ways. As he shares our life, however, he offers us a share in his.

God give you true Christmass joy.

Conrad Sargisson

## PARISH REGISTERS

### Burial

Mr Cyril Rowe of the Smithy, Limehead, has died and his funeral service was at St Breward Church on November 3rd. I was away, Fr Michael Browning took the service for me, and there is no one to whom I would rather have entrusted it.

Our sympathy goes to Mrs Rowe and their family.

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### Blisland Church Flower Rota

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December 7th) Mrs E. Walford  
and 14th)

December 21st) Mrs Romero &  
and 28th) Mrs Bamford

CHRISTMAS - EVERYONE PLEASE

January 4th) Mrs Webber &  
and 11th) Mrs Dowrick

January 18th) Mrs Edward-  
and 25th) Collins & Mrs  
Hellen

February 1st) Mrs Ward-Lee  
and 8th) & Mrs Roberts

February 15th) Mrs Draper &  
and 22nd) Mrs Corms

March 1st Mr Thomas  
March 8th -----LENT

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### CAMELFORD AND DISTRICT CHOIR

The Camelford and District Choir hopes to be rehearsing Stainer's 'CRUCIFIXION' in the New Year, for performance at Eastertide 1981. Would any singers among St Breward and Blisland congregations like to join us? We would warmly welcome extra voices in all sections of the Choir.

If suitable dates and other arrangements can be agreed we should be happy to sing this work in your churches.

Will interested singers please contact Mrs E Carr at Boscastle 435 for further information. The first rehearsal will be on 14th January at 7.30 p.m. in Sir James Smith's School, Camelford.

## NEWS FROM ST BREWARD METHODIST CHURCH

### The Choir

Following the success of their record "This Side of Heaven" St Breward Methodist Choir were invited to Truro in July, along with 250 members of other Methodist choirs from all over Cornwall, to make another record entitled "A Song for All Seasons" The record is due out in time for Christmas. It was a lot of hard work, but enjoyed by us all.

### The Sunday School Outing

This year St Breward Church Sunday School joined us on our Annual Outing to Newquay. We had chosen what turned out to be one of the hottest days of the summer. We all enjoyed the day, looking at the shops and playing on the beach. At tea time we all piled back into Mr Haynes' bus and set off for Trenance Gardens. It was nice to feel the cool breeze. There some of us went for a train and boat ride, some to swim and others wandered round the Zoo and gardens.

At 6p.m. we got into the bus again and an headed for Indian Queens where we had our fish and chip supper. The journey home turned out to be very noisy indeed. The singing was quite something!! We arrived home at 8.30, all tired, sunburnt, full of sand and HAPPY.

### The Harvest Festival

St Breward Methodist Church Harvest Festival was held on October 12th. The preacher was Mr William Hosking of Newquay. Both services were well attended. During the morning service the children brought their Harvest gifts. During the evening service the choir sang an Anthem - "Rejoice in the Lord".

The following Wednesday, 15th October, we started the evening with a sale of Harvest Fruit and Vegetables. This was followed by a concert in the Chapel given by the PELYNT MALE VOICE CHOIR. The evening finished with a pasty supper in the Sunday School. A big Thankyou to all who came, gave and bought at the Harvest Sale. Proceeds were for Chapel Funds.

## BLISLAND C.P. SCHOOL

### Bonfire Night Celebration

Over one hundred people braved the bitter weather conditions and attended the bonfire at Waterloo on 5th November. The 'Make a Guy Fawks ' competition preceded the lighting of the fire. First, second and third prizes were awarded to Joby Mussell, Dova Romero and Nikki Pearson respectively. There were eleven entries and the standard was very high indeed. Dr Turner, Chairman of the Governors adjudicated.

Soup, hot dogs, jacket potatoes, drinking chocolate and toffee apples were served from the canteen.

The eleven Guys were given pride of place on the specially constructed Bonfire platform and the bonfire burst into flames in a most spectacular way.

Mrs Sheila Greenaway, Mrs Elizabeth Hosking and Mrs Wendy Harper and Mrs Brenda Hardy organised the refreshments and Mr Edwin Greenaway, Mr Cliff Greenaway and Mr Chris Hosking tended the fire and fixed the lights in addition to maintaining the safety aspects of the situation. Ropes to cordon off the bonfire area were loaned by Mr Kevin Hoskins. Tickets were sold from the school, through Mrs Shirley Hargreaves and from the Garage. I would like to thank everyone who helped, and all who participated to make the event such a success.

### Great Entertainment

Instead of doing a Christmas Concert this year we would like to put on some entertainment for the village in the form of a Performance of "Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat." This will take place either in the Village Hall or the Church or both.

Rehearsals for the singing parts will commence in the school (which is well heated) at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 17th November - and anyone who can sing or would like to try and sing will be most welcome.

Although this date will be past by the time the magazine appears, anyone who hasn't already heard of our endeavours and would like to come along will still be welcome - we shall want all the help we can get, and all the voices too -

Colin Hardy, Headteacher.

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Maria Treglown  
Director,  
St Breward Play Group,  
Higher Penquite,  
St Breward.

## LETTERS

### GAWNS WHEEL SAFE & SOUND

Dear Mrs Lumley-Smith,

Thank you for your letter and the article. I do not really understand why there should have been any mystery about the whereabouts of the Gawns wheel because, as you say yourself, Sir Alan told you we were storing it for the Trevithick Society. The Society decided that it should be lent on a ten-year call back basis, to the Mid Wales Mining Museum just outside Aberystwyth. It is also known as the Llywernog Mining Museum. The Secretary of the Trevithick Society is Mrs Mary Smyth, Coombe, Callington, so if you would like further information I am told she is the person to contact.

Yours sincerely  
Clare Bradley

Public Relations Officer  
English China Clays Ltd

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### Doesn't Blisland Remember?

November 11th

Dear Editor,

I was very sorry to see no mention of a Memorial Service in the Calendar for this month. At first I

naturally thought that this meant that for some reason our Parish did not see any reason to join with the rest of the country in paying homage to the dead of two world wars. Later I did find out that a joint service was held at the Chapel. But what a pity that this was not included in the Calendar.

Yours sincerely  
M.G. Talbot-Smith

I sympathise with our correspondent and am also sorry that details of the joint Remembrance service were not included in our Calendar.

Editor

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

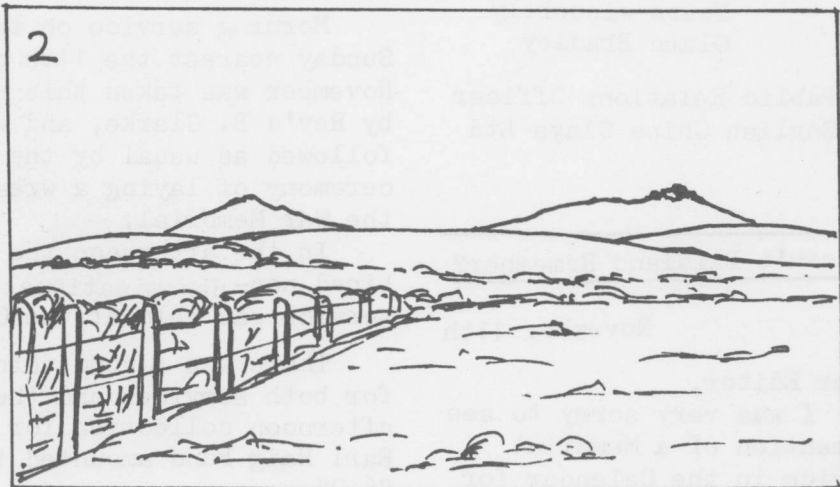
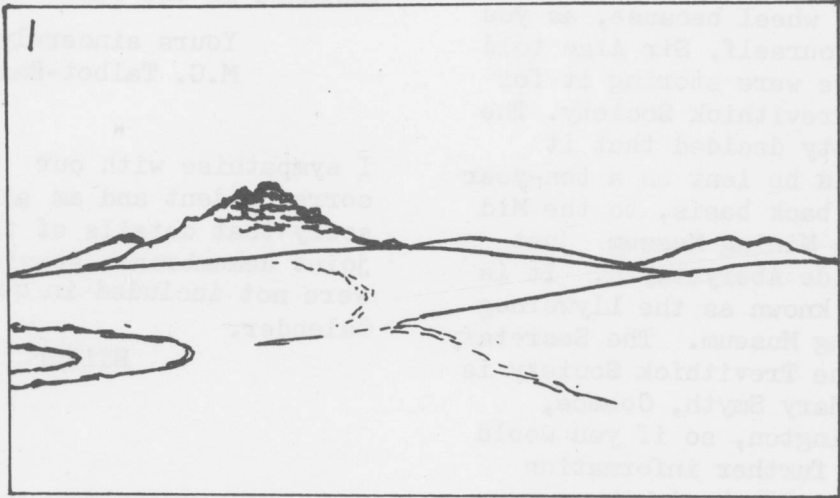
Morning service on the Sunday nearest the 11th of November was taken this year by Rev'd B. Clarke, and was followed as usual by the ceremony of laying a wreath on the War Memorial.

In the afternoon the combined non-denominational service was held at the Chapel.

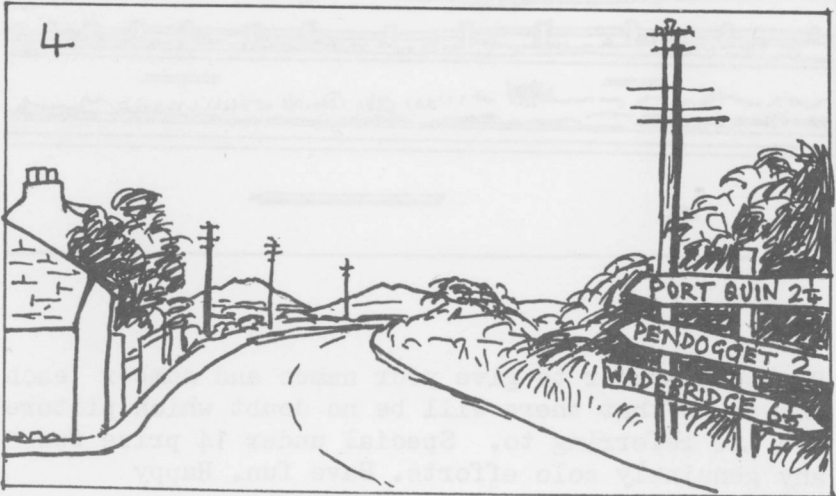
There was a good turn out for both services and the afternoon collection for the Earl Haig Fund amounted to £6.25.

## CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

Brown Willy and Roughtor - both lying within our two parishes, have an extraordinary way of looking quite different according to where you are. Here and on the next two pages are six views of them specially drawn for us by Bridget Holden. The views are not necessarily seen from within the parish. So where was Biddy ?



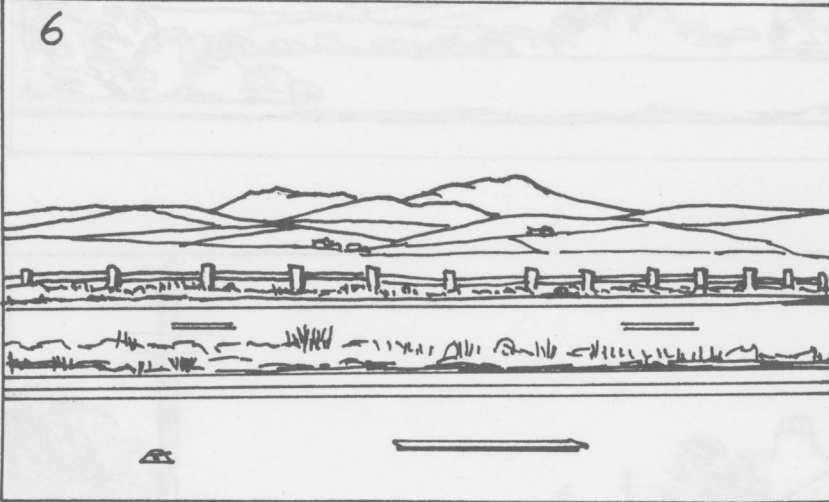
How many can you identify? Each picture has some special clue to help you. Answers should be sent to me, please, by Saturday January 10th. Prize winners and answers will be announced in our February issue. Note: You aren't meant to be able to solve this in a few minutes - GO OUT AND LOOK!



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Please remember to give your names and number each answer so that there will be no doubt which picture you are referring to. Special under 14 prize for any genuinely solo efforts. Have fun. Happy Christmas.

Ruth Lumley-Smith, Editor.

## BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Users of the Ham will, I am sure, have noticed the great improvement that has taken place. Not only have the hedges and overhanging trees been cut back and trimmed, but the large pot-holes have been filled and to some extent levelled. But we would like to point out to everyone that this is a BRIDLE PATH and is bound to get into a bad state during wet weather. The Ham is used a great deal by equestrian traffic and therefore gets a lot of hard wear and tear, so please bear this in mind in the coming winter months.

Our thanks to all the Councillors who so kindly gave up an afternoon to work on the path, and also to Geoff Dunworth and Eric Walford who, although not Councillors, were willing helpers in cutting back the hedgerows etc. We are also most grateful to Colin Hardy for generously giving us the materials for repairing the path. As a gesture of thanks, Ralph Parnell (on behalf of the Parish Council) with his tractor and fore-loader, cleared all the debris from the front of Colin Hardy's new house.

As the Parish Council are Trustees of the Village Hall it was agreed at our last meeting that the sum of £25.00 should be donated towards the Village Hall's fund raising activity, the Autumn Bazaar. In future the subject of a grant will be raised annually, the amount to be decided at the time of discussion.

Following a letter we received about the desecration of the Temple War Memorial, Mr Harris and I went out to look at it. The result is that Mr Harris is getting to work on it. He will replace a couple of missing letters, paint the chains and generally restore it to a good condition. All at a very low cost.

Unfortunately many of the Silver Birch trees planted last winter have failed to survive, so Morley Rowe has spoken to a representative from Tamar Nurseries, the original suppliers, and they have agreed to replace these trees free of charge. As it is National Tree Week this month (November) we are trying to combine this replanting with the planting of the three oaks presented to the W.I. by the Men of the Trees. This should have taken place (on 16th November) by the time you read these notes.

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# NEWS FROM THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

## ST BREWARD

Mrs P Vercoe gave her fellow members a lively account of her visits to Australia, describing in particular the beauty of Canberra and its surroundings and her trips into the Snowy Mountains, along the Murray River and to the fascinating Barrier Reef. She was thanked on behalf of us all by Mrs J Andrews.

Mrs J Brown's entry was adjudged the best flower of the month, and Mrs Greenaway won the competition for the oldest foreign coin with a handsome Napoleonic ten centimes piece.

Pamela Bousfield

Members also attended the Group Meeting hosted by the Blisland W.I. where Mrs P Bousfield won a second prize in the Craft competition, although she was on holiday at the time. A very happy time was enjoyed by all our members.

J.H.

## BLISLAND

The St Petroc Group Meeting organised by our W.I. was well attended and we like to think, a great success. Mr Mayell gave a talk on Family History which, I am sure sent many of his

audience off on a search for their ancestors. Entertainment was provided by Mr Edgar Rowe (our Parish Clerk) and his very talented young family, who gave a selection of recitations and songs accompanied on the piano by Mr Rowe and on the guitar by his eldest daughter, Claire. The high standard of the competitions made the task of the judges very difficult, so it was pleasing to see that Pat Nelder, June Runnalls, Kathleen Hutchison and Eileen Langshaw all carried off prizes.

At our monthly meeting Mrs Brown's demonstration of Yeast Cookery was absolutely first class, as were the finished articles which we all sampled - notably the Chelsea buns which melted in the mouth. Miss Nelder and Mrs Vause were the tea hostesses, once again providing super food, and Hilary Sargisson sent along a delicious gâteau which was most acceptable.

By the time you read this our three prize oak trees should be safely planted on the Village Green. Let's hope they will thrive and serve for many years to remind us of the generosity of the Men of the Trees.

Eileen Walford

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## ADVANCE NOTICE

In June 1981 the Parish of St Paul's, Charlestown, is taking a coachload on a Pilgrimage to Glastonbury. Because Webber's are taking them on this very special outing, which will include a service in the ruins of this historic Abbey, the organisers have suggested that the people of Blisland and St Breward should be given the opportunity of joining them. The price will be in the region of £2.50 per head. The organisers will need know the likely numbers as soon as possible. Would anyone from here who is interested therefore please contact us as soon as possible, and let us know?

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS

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## BLISLAND AND ST BREWARD PARISH MAGAZINE

Many subscriptions come to an end with this issue, and subscribers in this category will find a note to this effect in their copy. It would be a great help if these renewals could be paid without further reminders.

Many thanks to all our helpers and contributors and especially to Liz Lumley-Smith who has found time in her own busy life to do the charming cover for this issue, the third cover she has done.

The Editor, Lavethan, Blisland (850487)