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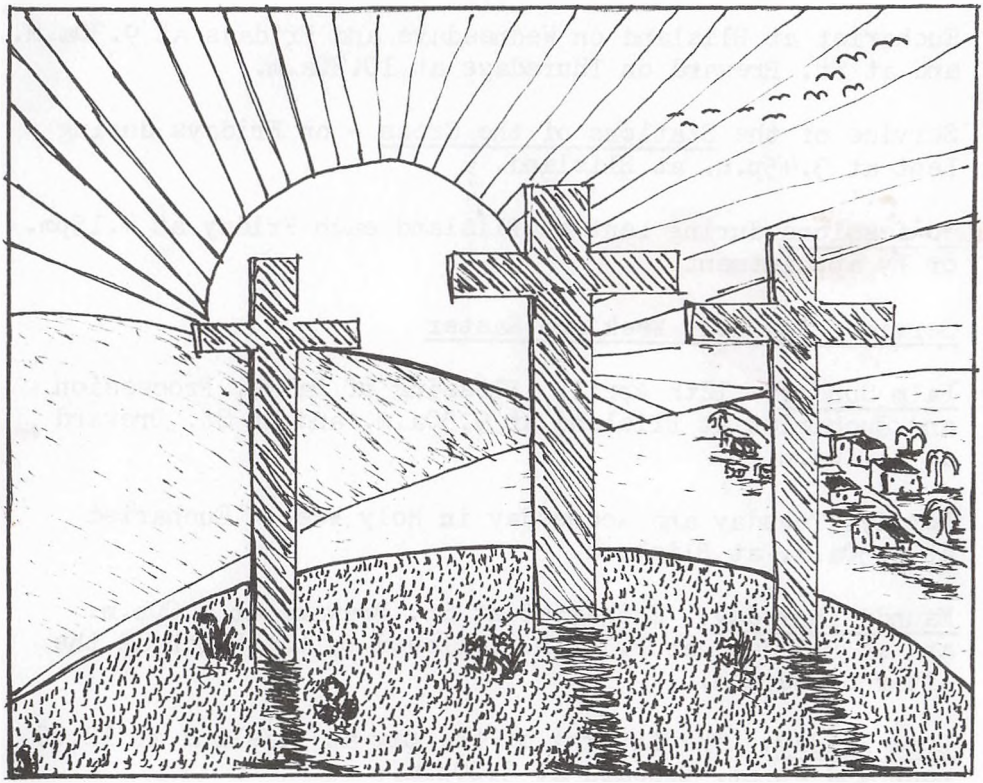

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Sunday Services for April

The Parish Eucharist will be celebrated at Blisland at 9.30a.m. and at St. Breward at 11.10 a.m.

Family Eucharist at Blisland on Sunday 5th April at 9.30am.

Weekday Services

Eucharist at Blisland on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9.30a.m. and at St. Breward on Thursdays at 10.30a.m.

Service of the Stations of the Cross - on Fridays during Lent at 3.45p.m. at Blisland.

Confessions during Lent at Blisland each Friday at 4.15pm. or by appointment.

Services for Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday - 12th April. Blessing of Palms, Procession and Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m. and at St. Breward at 11.10a.m.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week: Eucharist at 9.30a.m. at Blisland.

Maundy Thursday: Eucharist at St. Breward at 6.00p.m. and at Blisland at 7.30p.m. followed by the Watch at the Altar of Repose.

Good Friday: The Liturgy of the Day at Blisland at 12.00 noon and at St. Breward at 3.00p.m.

Holy Saturday: Vigil Service and first Eucharist of Easter at 8.00p m.

Easter Day: 19th April. Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30am. and at St. Breward at 11.10a.m. Evensong at 6.00p.m. at Blisland.

Please note: Mothering Sunday - 29th March. Service at St. Breward at 3.00p.m. Preacher, The Rev'd Joan Kirby.

Letter from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

Easter Day is the most important day in the Church's year; for this is the day on which we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead.

Prior to this stupendous event, Our Lord's work had seemed deemed to failure. Deserted by his disciples, betrayed into the hands of his enemies and finally put to death on calvary all seemed to have been lost. But now through his resurrection from the dead, his life, his work, his suffering and even his death took on a new meaning and significance not only for himself but for all mankind.

For the significance of this event for us, is that Jesus is the resurrection and the new life. That means that as well as enjoying our natural lives, we are offered eternal life if we are prepared to respond in faith and love to our Blessed Lord. This new life begins when we are baptised; for this means entering into the very life of God himself. What is more, our natural lives are consecrated within this eternal life. Thus our daily lives with all it's problems, our sufferings and even death itself is given purpose and so we are able to go through life knowing that we have a destiny to fulfil.

At Easter time then, we celebrate the redeeming work of Jesus Christ and especially the wonderful experience of the resurrection. What is more, we celebrate our own experience of eternal life, both as individuals and as members of the body of Christ which is the Community of the resurrection. For every time we celebrate the Eucharist especially on every Sunday, we are in fact experiencing the resurrection of Christ himself. For we are the people of the resurrection who come together on the Lord's day which is the weekly commemoration of the resurrection to experience the creating, redeeming and life giving work of the risen Lord.

As christians then, like those first disciples, let us also make a positive response to the risen Christ and so make a reality that glorious Easter experience in our daily lives.

Yours sincerely,
Father Harris

BLISLAND METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL

Sunday April 5th at 2.30p.m. Preacher Rev'd Broad.
Easter Sunday April 19th at 2.30pm. " Rev'd Broad
(Holy Communion)

ST. BREWARD METHODIST CHURCH PREACHERS FOR APRIL

Sunday April 5th	at 11.00a.m.	Preacher Mr Brown
" "	6.00p.m.	" Rev'd Broad
Sunday April 12th	at 11.00a.m.	" Rev'd Broad
" "	6.00p.m.	" Mr Mabson
Good Friday Service	at 10.00a.m.	" Rev'd Broad
Sunday April 19th	at 11.00a.m.	" Mrs Bickle
" "	6.00p.m.	" Rev'd Broad (SAC)
Sunday April 26th	at 11.00a.m.	" Mrs Garbett
" "	6.00p.m.	" Rev'd Stevenson

Please book this date - Tuesday 12th May at 7.30p.m. at St. Breward Methodist Church. Admission 50p. "Pharoah to Freedom" will be sung by the "Easter Singers". Everyone welcome.

Womans World Day of Prayer

The annual service was held at the Methodist Church on 6th March. The theme this year was "Living wisely with Creation", and the speaker was the Rev'd Joan Kirby. Over 40 ladies joined together in prayer led by Mrs. Olive Bickle. The singing was led by Mrs. Gladys Champion at the organ. A collection was taken for the Woman's World Day of Prayer Movement and the wonderful sum of £48.80 has been sent to further the on going work of this movement. Tea and biscuits rounded off the very warm and friendly evening enjoyed by all. Next year's service will be held in the Parish Church on the first Friday in March.

Due to lack of space, the article on Temple Church will continue in the May magazine.

Parish Registers

Funerals
The funeral service for the late Redvers Clifford Hoskin took place at St. Breward Parish Church on 13th February.

The funeral service for the late Barclay Richards took place at St. Breward Parish Church on 26th February.

The funeral service for the late Mildred Collins took place at Blisland Parish Church on 7th March.

The funeral service for the late Arthur Wesley Finnemore took place at St. Breward Parish Church on 7th March.

'Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them'.

ORGANIST - required for Blisland Parish Church. Expenses paid. Please contact Father Harris 0208 851020.

Study Group
The Liturgical Celebration of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ will be discussed at a meeting to be held at the Rectory on Monday 6th April at 7.30p.m.

Walsingham - Cornish Pilgrimage from the 27th to 1st May. Cost £110. For details contact Father Harris.

CORNISH EVENING - Saturday 11th April at 7.30pm. At Bodmin Community School.
Music and Cornish Songs from "Banquet" with Sue White and Rachel Daniel; "Comedy Cabaret" from Bernard Gaffney; Cellidh Dancing with "Banquet" and callers Barry & Theresa Moule. Cornish Supper and Licensed Bar.
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BLISLAND CHURCH - PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR 1992

Coffee Morning at Durfold.	10.30am.	April 1st
Tintagel Orpheus Choir	7.30pm.	April 25th
Organ Recital by David Briggs	7.30pm.	May 16th
Songs of Praise		July 19th
Fete in Rectory Gardens		June 20th
Harvest Festival		October 11th
Christmas Fayre		November 14th

Detailed information will be published prior to each event.

Blisland Parochial Church Council

The Annual General Meeting of Blisland Church will be held in the Village Institute, Blisland on Monday 13th April at 7.30p.m.

Any Parishioners wishing to have any points raised, please advise the Hon. Secretary of the P.C.C. 7 days prior to the meeting for inclusion on the Agenda. (J.W. Stratton, Higher Bodrane, Herodsfoot, St. Keyne, Liskeard, PL14 4QU. Tel. (0579) 20272.)

BLISLAND CHURCH - CONCERT

A Concert in aid of Church Funds will be held in Blisland Parish Church on April 25th at 7.30pm. by The Tintagel Orpheus Choir, accompanist Mrs. Sue Flitter.

Everyone welcome.

COFFEE MORNING - in aid of Blisland Church to be held on April 1st at 10.30am. by Mrs. E. Dickinson at Durfold. Bring & Buy and raffle. Please come and bring your friends.

I wish to extend our warmest thanks on behalf of Lorraine and myself to all the people who donated to the Air Ambulance in memory of Mac. We also send our most sincere thanks to Mr & Mrs John Alford who gave a supper party at Hametethy in conjunction with the St. Breward Conservative Association and afterwards gave a most generous donation also in memory of Mac. We are now able to hand over to the Air Ambulance a cheque for £1000.

Hilary Cragg

MILLPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

Dedication and Opening of New Sunday School on Maundy Thursday, 16th April at 7.15pm. conducted by Rev. Ian Maile (Chairman of the District) and Rev. Alfred Williams.

FLOWER FESTIVAL on Saturday 18th April to Monday 20th April 11am. to 7pm. Handicraft Exhibition in Old Sunday School. Lunches and teas will be served throughout.

Saturday 18th April at 7pm. Music, fun and games with magican Richard Ternouth and other young people.

Sunday 19th April - Service at 11am. conducted by Mrs. Jill Garbett and at 7.45pm. conducted by Rev. Alfred Williams. Easter Play by the young people and special items by the choir.

Monday 20th April - Concert at 7.30pm. by St. Columba Celtic Male Voice Choir. Musical Director Mr. Clifford Strongman. Chairman Mr. Raymond Sleep of Tintagel.
Warm welcome to all.

A very enjoyable evening at St. Breward Football Club was had by a Reunion of Stannon and Wenford Clay Works for past and present employees. Music was by Michelle Pluess. A raffle was held and £60 was donated to the Air Ambulance Fund.

The Arthritis & Rheumatism Council

A COFFEE EVENING will be held at De Lank on Thursday 23rd April from 7pm. onwards. Usual stalls - cakes, raffles etc. Please come.

House to house collections in St. Breward in aid of The Salvation Army amounted to £58.35p. Thank you to all the collectors, Dora Pearce, Maureen Prideaux, Denise Hill, Vera Colman, Teresa Philp and Nesta Teague.

Congratulations to Alison Bate of St. Breward who has been awarded the 'North Cornwall Sports Personality of the Year' for her outstanding achievements in Clay Pigeon Shooting.

MEMORIES OF MY CHILDHOOD DAYS - By R.A. Dowrick.

I first came to Blisland at the age of 6 years with my father and mother, sister and three brothers.

My father had applied for the work of gardener and handy man at Blisland Rectory. The Reverend then being E.B. Clarabut.

We all moved into the cottage situated along the top road of the green, which was named Rectory Cottage and was owned by Rev'd Clarabut. A gardener's wage at that time was £1 a week. Going to the present day for a moment, I pay almost that for a loaf of wholemeal bread - 82p - so it shows how times have changed.

It was a nice cottage with three rooms up and two down with two passage ways, also an attic which was handy for us children when it was wet to play in, when mother wanted us out of the way when she was busy. We were also lucky as we had a well, as almost all the village people had to fetch all their water from the running water shute, which was opposite the Post Office, which never ran dry. No such thing as mains water.

A few days after arriving at Blisland, my sister Bessie, the oldest of us children and Frank, oldest of us boys and myself started at Waterloo School. I went to the infant class, the other two went to higher classes. We had three teachers, two ladies and one man who was head school master. They were strict in them days, each teacher had a cane and use to need them at times except in the infant class.

Canes were only used though if anyone was really naughty. Our school master though, he used to cut a stick from a nut tree. I can see him now standing overlooking the wall, with his pocket watch in his hand when any of his class were late, with his stick in his hand. When who-ever it was reached the school gate, he would warm their behinds so far as the school entrance. I found out once in later years and found it uncomfortable for a while when I sat down in my seat. I was never late again.

There was no school bus then, some children had to walk two miles or more from out-lying places; it must have been hard going for a child of 5 years. That was the school starting age and you left at 14 years old. Same journey home after leaving school at 4p.m. No school canteen

either, it was never heard of. Every child used to take their mid-day meal. If they took pasties they were warmed on the stoves which were perhaps three or four feet high and burnt coke. On the flat top of them use to be a metal container with water in it, which would boil as the stove would be very hot. On top of this container was a large tin box with a cover on it, so the steam coming from the water would get the tin box real hot. So all the pasties would be put into it, with their names on each otherwise someone who had a nice cornish pastie might finish up with either a currant, apple or egg and bacon pastie. We three living in the village, mother would bake them fresh and brother Frank used to fetch them, nice and hot and steaming. Mother would tell him that we had to eat until we came to the meat; it was not often that we came to any meat as times were hard then. Even at my age I would wonder how mother and father clothed and fed us all. It must have been a great worry for them and many other families. I won't say much more about my school days except to say that they were some of the happiest days of my childhood, the only school I ever went to. I reached the top class before leaving, don't think I am bragging when I say that my writing was the best in that class, that was my best subject. The school master would tell us all at times to write an essay each and then each child inspect each essay, then give the name who they thought was best to the school master. I most always had the most marks. The prize was tuppence - two pennies, that was a lot to us then, it would buy ½lb of sweets.

As in school days even today we always had our sweethearts. I took a fancy to a girl of my age, but didn't make much head-way. So one day I thought I must make an impression. I knew she went home at the village to dinner. So I waited until I saw her coming back through the ham. I then went down to the bottom of the steps where there was a river almost opposite the gate, which I had jumped across many times. I waited until she was almost up to me. I then shot across the road I took a flying leap, but I never cleared it. What a fool I felt. It impressed her though and she had a good laugh and came and helped me out. We were sweethearts after that. Mind you we were only ten years of age.

(to be continued)

BLISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

The March meeting of the Parish Council was due to commence with an address by Mr. Andrew George of the Cornwall Rural Community Council - to which parishioners had been invited. Unfortunately, Mr. George was unable to attend and this part of the meeting had to be cancelled. The Parish Council will pursue the CRCC for help with the preparation and conducting of a village survey to identify housing needs and opportunities for employment in our parish. The Council will also consider the possibility of conducting their own survey.

It was noted that the street lighting scheme was now being completed with lights by the village hall.

The draft planning policy document on the provision of sites for travellers in Cornwall was discussed.

It was good to have seven parishioners attending this meeting - the next one is on the 9th April 1992 at 7.30p.m.

BLISLAND ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY - will be held in the Village Institute on April 2nd 1992 at 7.30p.m. It is to be hoped that many parishioners will attend.

Joy Montague

GYMKHANA

There is to be a Gymkhana in Temple on Saturday 23rd May at The Old Chapel. There will be jumping, showing classes and a host of mounted games.
All riders must be 16 or under.
In addition there will be a 'none too serious' dog show as well as stalls, raffle and refreshments.
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Friday	"	10th	?
Saturday	"	11th	Double Top
Friday	"	17th	?
Saturday	"	18th	Martin Lucas
Friday	"	24th	C. Dowler - Disco
Saturday	"	25th	C. Maskell

At a recent Disco and Raffle held at St. Breward Football Club by Joyce Harper, Julie, June, Tim and Darren the sum of £741 was raised which was presented to the Air Ambulance Fund. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped.

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ST. BREWARD W.I.

Mrs. Joan Sainsbury presided at our March Meeting. Five members agreed to take part in the Scrabble Competition for the Western Morning News Rose Bowl, the first round to be held at St. Wenn on 19th March; we wish them every success. Mrs. Christine Woolf kindly volunteered to represent our Institute at the Spring Council Meeting on 19th May at Hendra Tourist Park.

Among the various items discussed was the Autumn Group Meeting on 22nd October for which we are to be the host Institute, ideas being put forward for a speaker and competitions and a fund raising event to be held on May 2nd from 10a.m. - 4.00p.m. at St. Breward C.P. School. Other village organisations are being invited to rent a table at this event thus hopefully enabling them to also raise funds.

Members agreed to finish making a banner which was started some time ago and to reintroduce birthday posies. The President asked everyone to bring ideas for our entry for the village carnival to the next meeting and also informed us that the name of every institute in the county is to be embroidered on a tablecloth which is being made to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the W.I. movement in 1993. A notice is to be placed in the Post Office each month giving details of our forthcoming meeting, please read this and if the speaker or competition is of interest to you do come and join us.

Mrs. Garvey of Blisland gave a very interesting talk about The Old Bailey. She was thanked by Mrs. Ann Holmes. Mrs. Margaret Shelley won the competition for an embroidered article and also the flower of the month competition.

The next meeting will be held on 7th April at the Village Hall when slides of the countryside will be shown by Mrs. Eddy.

Society for the Preservation of Blisland with Temple Church

May I thank Brigadier and Mrs. Edward-Collins for holding a Coffee Morning at their home on 10th March. The amount raised was £236. The generosity of all who came along or sent donations was greatly appreciated. Thanks must also go to the very loyal band of helpers.

E.N.J.

BLISLAND W.I.

The meeting on the 19th February, 1992 was held in the Village Hall and Mrs. Aspinall took the chair. The Minutes were read and agreed.

The Accounts will be audited at the end of February and the delay is due to illness.

The birthday trip to Kernow Mills was enjoyed by those able to go and several managed to find bargains!

Mrs. Makin has agreed to attend the Resolutions Meeting and also the I.G.M. in Bournemouth on the 4th June.

Bodmin Operatic Society will be performing 'Calamity Jane' in April and a group booking is being made for Thursday, 9th April. This should be a most enjoyable evening.

The 'Flower of the Month' competition has been agreed but instead of a prize being offered every month a points system will operate and the person who obtains most points over the whole year will receive a slightly better prize than we have been able to afford previously.

The competition at the Royal Cornwall Show in June is for a Topsy-Turvey Rag Doll and we hope that some members will be able to enter.

We welcomed several visitors to the talk and film show given by the R.N.L.I. and were sorry that the group from St. Breward W.I. were unable to be present.

Mr. Davy Jones (yes really!) is the Area Organiser of the S.W. Region of the R.N.L.I. and his job is to spread information about the Service and organise fund raising. The R.N.L.I. is a voluntary organisation and receives no money from the Government.

The R.N.L.I. was founded in 1824 and since then over 120,000 people have been saved by them. At present there are 126 large lifeboats (from 33 to 54 ft. in length) and 140 boats of 16 to 21 ft. There are 209 lifeboat stations and the policy is to maintain a fleet which can reach a casualty up to 50 miles from the shore within four hours. High powered diesel engines have greatly improved the efficiency of the lifeboats and speeds of 18 knots are achieved and they hope to reach 25 knots before long.

We were shown a most interesting film and watched with awe as the lifeboats with their volunteer crews set out in 100m.p.h. winds to help fellow seamen in trouble.

One particular rescue took eighteen hours to complete and the conditions at sea were really atrocious. In 1991 there were 5,000 launches and the lives of four people per day were saved.

The Arun Class lifeboats lead the world in technology. However, to run the service over £40 million a year must be raised. About half the annual income comes from legacies and special gifts and a lady who lived in Padstow gave sufficient money for two lifeboats and a training centre.

The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Aspinall. Refreshments by Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs. Gurr, Mrs. Makin and Mrs. Willcocks.

The next meeting will be on the 15th April.

Wendy Barwood.

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BLISLAND W.R.V.S. CLUB

Blisland an industrial site? Who could visualise this tranquil area of beauty as seen today to have been just that in the 19th and early 20th century. Our speaker Mr. Clifford Rawle, gave us a fascinating glimpse into the past when he came to address our meeting on the 12th February. Power generated by water wheels was the main theme. Drawings illustrated the various types of water wheel were displayed together with a working model wheel connected by rods to a water pump. Such an arrangement could be seen at Cawns, where a large water wheel, drove by mechanical linkage, a pump in the clay works on the other side of the A30. Mr. Rawle reminisced how as a boy he used to watch the wheel turning when sat by the window in the old methodist chapel.
Four water wheels could be seen in the Blisland area at one time generating power simply from the flow of water. Mr. Rawle suggested in the future perhaps there will be a return to such arrangements.

The talk also embraced a description of a recent visit to Japan and how in that country, water wheels are extensively used.

On Saturday February 29th members and friends had a trip to the Victory Hall, Roche to see the Roche Pantomime Players perform in 'Sleeping Beauty'. This was a splendid production, achieving a very high standard by all the cast, from the very young, to the adult characters. Costume and stage effects were brillant. Congratulations Roche! Fish and chips on the way home completed a very enjoyable afternoon.

At the commencement of the meeting on 3rd March a few quiet moments for silent prayer were made for Mrs. Mildred Collins who had past away. Mrs. Collins had been an enthusiastic member of the club for many years. Also in our thoughts were Mrs. Peggy Pringle who was in hospital and Miss Maud Parnel who was poorly and in a nursing home.

After dealing with club matters and a report from the club treasurer Mr. Stan Jefford, the remaining part of the afternoon was spent playing various games.

Tony Ham

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