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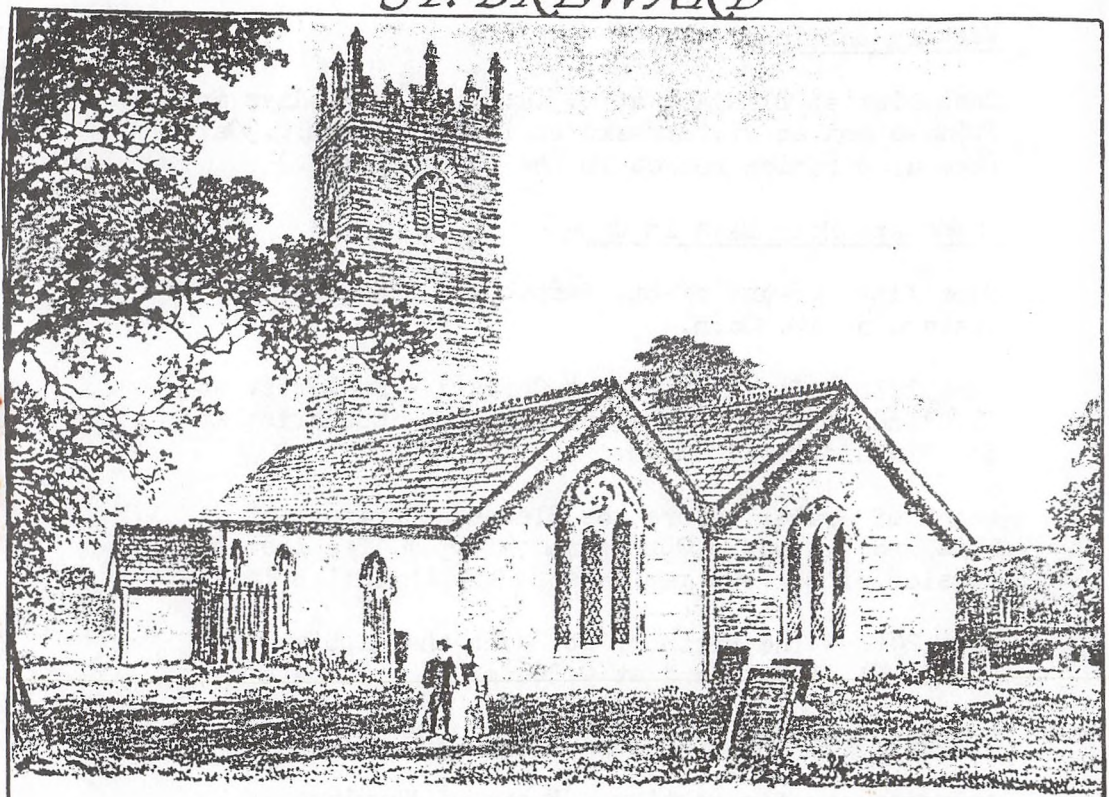

Advent Church

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Sunday Services for June

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

During the summer months there will be an additional Eucharist at Blisland at 8.00a.m.

Weekday Services

Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays and at St. Breward on Thursdays at 10.30a.m. (See also Notice Boards in the Church porch.)

Important Holy Days in June

June 11th - Feast of St. Barnabus - Eucharist at St. Breward at 10.30a.m.

June 18th - Feast of Corpus Christi - Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m. and at 7.00p.m. Eucharist at St. Breward at 11.00a.m.

Watch of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at Blisland between 3.00p.m. and 4.00p.m. for the conversion of our two parishes to the Christian faith.

June 24th - The Birth of St. John the Baptist - Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m.

Evensong at Temple on Sunday 7th June at 3.30p.m.

Arrangements for Baptisms, Banns of Marriage, Holy Matrimony, Churchings, Confessions and Communion of the Sick should be made with the Parish Priest. The Rector is available at all times and is always pleased to see people.

BLISLAND CHURCH FETE

To be held in the Rectory garden on Saturday June 20th at 2.30p.m. Stalls - Games - Raffle - Refreshments All welcome.

Letter from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

As we continue to celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, life and death for the christian is understood within the belief in a God who has revealed himself to us as one who creates life, redeems it and sanctifies it.

This work of sanctification is the work of God the Holy Spirit and we celebrate his presence among us on the feast of Pentecost. The story of that great event can be found in the second chapter of the Book of Acts and record of that important experience tells us how the infant church was born and of the great affect which it had upon those first disciples of Jesus.

For us also then, this experience of the Holy Spirit should have an affect upon our lives. For through the work of the Holy Spirit, we are called to a life of grace. For this reason we were baptised into the church, the community of faith, are commanded to come to church Sunday by Sunday so that we can celebrate Christ's redeeming work, within the Lord's own service, the Eucharist, with the result that we seek to practise a rule of discipline within our lives in conformity to the will of God made manifest both in the person of Jesus Christ and in the teaching and practice of the church. Such a response, will mean that we shall be sustained by faith, hope and love as we make our earthly pilgrimage to the heavenly Jerusalem.

During this season then of the Holy Spirit, let our prayer be, that God may work his will in our lives and thus like those early disciples become Spirit filled members of the Holy People of God.

Yours sincerely,
Father Frank Harris

Money given in memory of Mr. Arthur Wesley Finnemore who died recently amounted to £175. This has been donated to the 'Save the Children Fund'.
Thank you to everybody who gave.

R. Finnemore.

Parish Registers

Holy Baptism

Lavinier Elizabeth Julian baptised at Blisland on Easter Sunday.
'Made a member of Christ, a child of God and an inheritor of the Kingdom of God.'

Funerals

The funeral service for the late Nora Ellen Saundry took place at St. Breward on Wednesday, 15th April. Interment took place in the churchyard.

The funeral service for the late Henry Mervyn Marshall took place at St. Breward on Thursday, 23rd April. The committal followed at the Glynn Valley Crematorium.
'May they rest in peace.'

Married recently at Camelford were Karl Luxford of St. Breward and Ruth Dickinson of Davidstow.

Married recently at Launceston were Lisa Anne Davey of Launceston and Robin Teague of St. Breward.

BLISLAND CHURCH - Programme of Events for 1992

Fete in Rectory Gardens	June 20th
Songs of Praise	July 19th
Campion. Words & Music on The Sea	August 1st
St. Pratts Festival	September 27th
Harvest Festival	October 11th
Christmas Fayre	November 14th

Hymn requests for the Songs of Praise at Blisland Church on July 19th need to be submitted to John Meeson, organist or deposited at Blisland Post Office by June 30th.

The Concert held in Blisland Church on the 25th April by The Tintagel Orpheus Choir raised £209.00 for Church funds. Our grateful thanks to everyone who supported it.

BLISLAND METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE

Sunday June 14th at 2.30pm.	Preacher Mr. Hooper
Sunday " 21st " "	" Mr. Cooper (Chapel Anniversary)
Sunday " 28th " "	Preacher Rev'd Broad (Holy Communion)

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND

Engagements for June

Thursday 11th June	Port Isaac. Concert - Flora 7.45pm.
Sunday 14th "	Looe Seafront 2.30 & 7.00pm
Thursday 18th "	Port Isaac
Saturday 20th "	Bugle Contest
Thursday 25th "	Port Isaac
Saturday 27th "	Band Fete 2.30p.m.
Sunday 28th "	Port Isaac. Lifeboat Service 2.30p.m. 25 years Celebration.

On Friday, 1st May 1992, staff and workmates at Cornish De Lank Granite Quarries, St. Breward laid on a 'Pasty & Pint' lunch for Arthur (Micky) Hunt, to celebrate 40 years service with the company as Maintenance Engineer.

Mr. David Glasson, Quarry Director, presented Micky with a music centre which will greatly enhance his love for music, particularly Brass Bands.

Micky, on thanking Mr. Glasson for the gift, recalled several amusing stories and spoke of many "characters" he has worked with in the granite trade.

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND
FETE

On Saturday 27th June at 2.30p.m. in the grounds of the C.P. School. Music will be by Lostwithiel Brass 88. The fete will be opened by Mr. Allen Knight, Chairmanof CYBB and President of the Cornwall Law Society.

TEMPLE

During the second half of the nineteenth century Temple enjoyed more prosperous times. At least seven clay pits were opened within two miles of the village, the clay in the early days being dried at the works and then horse drawn to ports at Wadebridge and Padstow, a slow and expensive business. Such was the activity in the area that in 1872 it was proposed to lay a railway from Temple to Lostwithiel, the Railway Company being guaranteed clay traffic of 25,000 tons a year from the Temple area alone. This idea was abandoned, however, probably due to the cost involved, and a cheaper method was adopted, namely to pump the liquid clay through pipe-lines to drying sheds at Wenford and Bodmin Road. (The last load of clay from the old Hawkstor works was taken by horse and cart to Padstow in 1880, the works then closed to re-open in 1929).

Meanwhile Temple had a school, a Bible Christian Chapel, and an Institute, or Reading Room. The Church was rebuilt on its former foundation and opened and consecrated on the 30th May 1883 by the then Bishop of Truro - Dr. Benson - who later became Archbishop of Canterbury. It is recorded that over 2,000 people attended this joyous occasion. The Church then came under the curacy of Warleggan.

to be continued. R.W. Harper.

Children and the Hippie Walk

June 7th to the 14th is National Arthritis Week and this year the theme is "You are never too young to get Arthritis".

On June 10th at 6.00p.m. from De Lank Green we have our annual Hippie Walk in the village, when people who have had hip - or indeed any bone replacement, and their friends join in a sponsored walk in the village. So, if you've had any joint replacement, or if you'd just like to join in the walk or just the refreshments at the end, please do.

As the accent is on children we are to be joined by the children from the village school encouraged by the headmaster Mr. Prideaux, so do please look out for further announcements.

 N. Hollister

ST. BREWARD SNOOKER CLUB

St. Breward Snooker Club were delighted to hold three Camelford and District cup finals at our club. The First Division Team Knockout final was between Camelford Conservative Club 'A' and Camelford War Memorial 'A'. The conservatives won by three frames to two, the deciding frame going to a black ball finish.

The Handicapped Doubles Final between Terry Moran and Anthony Sleep of Camelford War Memorial 'A', and Shaun Hawken and Nick Williams of Wadebridge Conservative Club 'A'. This was another close run thing with the war memorial pair winning by three frames to two after being two frames down.

The third final held was the Billiards Team Cup Final between Port Isaac and Camelford War Memorial. The winners were Port Isaac by two games to one. Jack Spry and Jack Hill from Port Isaac beating Terry Moran and Rob Cooke respectively. Rob Harper beating Jack Rowe for Camelford War Memorial.

St. Breward Snooker Club members were all shocked to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Mervyn Marshall and they wish tosend their deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

Mervyn was a founder member of the club and an active committee member who was chairman from 1987 to 1989. He played league snooker for the club as well as all club competitions and was often found playing the game with sons Ian and Mark. Mervyn was well respected throughout the club and will be sadly missed by all members.

M. Yeo
Club Secretary

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL

Friday 26th June at 7.30p.m. in the Hall - SUPER SUMMER SUPPER with live entertainment. Tickets £3 available from the Post Office and any committee member.

Sunday 12th July 2 - 6 p.m. GARDEN SAFARI.
Full details next month.

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

After last month's memories of near and around the village, time moved on a couple of years or so. Mother gave birth to another child, a boy named Ernest which brought the number of we children up to six. The two sisters who kept the village shop next to the Royal Oak pub asked me if I would fetch all their water for their house for them. So I said I would as it was extra pocket money for me. I used to fetch two pitchers full for them every evening. A pitcher being a container made of some sort of brown clay which held one gallon, it had a handle on top of one side. For this chore I was paid tuppence (two Pennies) each evening, seven evenings a week, which was a lot to we children them days. Also I was old enough to be a server in church so the Rev'd Clarabut asked me if I would like to be his server as his present one was giving up. So I said I would which meant going to church every morning by 8a.m. for Holy Communion Service. Sometimes a few people would attend if not it was just the Rev'd and myself, but he still used to hold his service. If anybody was looking out of their windows some mornings in the village, they would have seen the Rev'd and myself in our red robes and surplices, with me in front walking along the bottom of the Green to a certain cottage to give an old lady who was in bed Holy Communion. On the way over if I went fast he would say, "Not too fast Ronald, I am not as young as you". When we got to the cottage the Rev'd would go upstairs to give his little service. I would stay downstairs with the daughter who always gave me a large slice of home made yeast cake. I had to eat it quick before the Rev'd came down. Then we used to make our way back to the church, then I had to hurry off to school so as not to be late otherwise the schoolmaster would be looking over the wall waiting with stick in hand. An amusing incident happened one Christmas Eve Mass; he wanted to hold a special service for a change, so we both had to rehearse it until we both thought we had it right. So we commenced the service at midnight and everything went alright until I was standing instead

of kneeling. The Rev'd shouted out loud, "kneel down". I knew it was meant for me. The congregation though thought it was for them to kneel, so everyone knelt down and the church was full. After the service was over and we went back to the vestry, he said he was sorry for shouting at me and gave me a large new red wooden engine to take home to my youngest brother Ernest, to whom he was godfather. He was a kind priest and gave food very often to the very poor as there were quite a lot of them.

The busy time for a server was the main morning service on Sundays. I would have to carry and swing the incense pot as we came out of the vestry behind the choir. I would have a little boat-boy walking beside me with the Rev'd bringing up the rear. We would go around the people before going up to the altar. The choir would go into their seats. The Rev'd, boat-boy, and myself would then go up to the altar, when I would swing the incense in front of him a few times. I would then put the incense in a corner, the boat-boy would go to his seat. I would then kneel down on the right of the altar and would be kept busy during the service changing the bible from one side to the other and also serving the rector with the bread and wine for the communion.

On Sunday mornings after the 8a.m. service I would be invited to the Rectory for breakfast.

The highlight of the church was St. Pratts, which would last for three days starting the third Sunday in September with the procession to St. Pratt's cross down by the Holy Well in the afternoon, followed by a large service in the evening. In between the two services would be served a high tea, by the Mother's Union ladies.

Next day Monday would be St. Pratt's fair when all the farmers would drive whatever they were going to sell into the village, which would be cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, poultry, just about any living thing on a farm. No cattle trucks then, everything driven. The fair was held on the spare bit of ground on the left of the Royal Oak with a lot of cheap-jack stalls selling just about everything at the entrance of the fair. The pub would be open all day doing a roaring trade, as farmers used to come from far and wide. We children had the day off from school and would help the farmers to drive their livestock in to the fair.

In the evening a dance would be laid on for anyone who wished to dance, which would be held in the barn which was over the rectory garage in those days. The only music was from a gramophone with a large horn fixed to it, which was played by a man whose name I will mention as he will be mentioned quite often in my future memories. His name was George Hooper and he was blacksmith at Merrymeeting Cottage, Tresarrett, as his father was before him. He was also born there.

The last day of St. Pratt's was the following Wednesday and was called St. Pratt's Sports Day and was held in the first gate on the right onto the field after going up Trewint Hill. The childrens race would be held first followed by horse racing by young farmers. Prize money would be given to us all. After which we would all come down to the green where a large tent was put up in the middle of the green where a high tea was laid on for everyone. After tea was more fun and games such as sack race and three legged race. The high-light of the evening was the parents race with sack and three legged races as well. We children were delighted and cheered our mothers and fathers on.

So that was St. Pratt's in my childhood days which I will never forget.

to be continued.

ARC News

The Bingo, held at the Football Club on March 25th by Doreen and Joe Kay, proved very enjoyable and raised £165.55.

The Coffee Evening at De Lank raised £337. We are most grateful to all who supported these efforts in any way. The attendance at the coffee evening was just less than half the usual number but the generosity and goodwill of the people of St. Breward and Blisland, which prompted the donations make it so worth while - many, many thanks.

N. Hollister.

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ST. BREWARD A.F.C. & SOCIAL CLUB

Entertainment

Friday	5th June	?
Saturday	6th June	?
Friday	12th "	?
Saturday	13th "	Mystery Guest
Friday	19th "	?
Saturday	20th "	Tim Keat Disco
Friday	26th "	?
Saturday	27th "	Group 63

HELICOPTER DISPLAY - Sunday 7th June at the Football Field. Enter the Helicopter Course Competition to win a free ride.
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ST. BREWARD PLAYGROUP

Playgroup held its Annual General Meeting at the Band Room on 31st March and we have had some changes on the committee. Vanessa Morrish is chairwoman, Denise Yeo is secretary and Mike Sherry is to continue as treasurer. We would like to thank Shirley Colman and Sharon French, the retiring chairwoman and secretary for their hard work over the recent years.

It was voted at the AGM to pay Teresa Bunt to assist with Playgroup duties rather than have a rota mum for each session and therefore the fee has had to be raised to £1.50 per session.

The Playgroup is to receive a £70 grant to help towards the purchase of new toys, which are now on order. To assist with fund raising Mike Sherry is to do a sponsored bike ride from sea level to the summit of Brown Willy on 7th June. Anyone wishing to join him would be most welcome.

We now have 13 children on the register, but we will be losing some in June and September when they start school part-time. Any parents wishing to bring their children to Playgroup would be most welcome. It is open (in term time) on Monday and Thursday at the Village Hall from 9.15a.m. to 11.30a.m. and the cost is £1.50 per session. Your child should be aged $2\frac{1}{2}$ - 5 years and be toilet trained. For more details please contact Vanessa Morrish tel. 850417, Denise Yeo 850936 or Mike Sherry 850036.

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Book your diary - St. Breward Church in conjunction with St. Breward C.P. School is holding an evening of entertainment on Tuesday July 14th. Further details next month.

BLISLAND W.I.

The meeting was held on April 15th in the Village Hall and Mrs. Aspinall was in the chair. There were 16 members present and a large number of visitors. The minutes were read and agreed.

Mrs. Gurr mentioned the W.I. musical "Little Women". Apparently there were no seats left at Liskeard, but some remained at Launceston on 16th May, so some tickets were booked.

The Christmas party has been arranged by Mrs. Aspinall, but as yet we have no prices. Audrey Pierce and Marjorie Horton were thanked for their help in the past year, by the committee.

An apology has been received from St. Breward W.I. for not attending our R.N.L.I. meeting to which they had been invited. A proposal to compensate Nanstallon W.I. who were out of pocket after the last group meeting was proposed by Mrs. Masters and seconded by Mrs. Gurr. Mrs. Gurr is to attend the Spring Council Meeting on 19th May.

Our new competition, 'Flower of the Month' was discussed. It has been decided that the 1st place should earn 5 points, 2nd place 3 points, 3rd place 2 points, and there will be a point for entering. The prizes will be awarded annually.

Mrs. Anne Meeson then gave an extremely interesting talk on dyslexia. Her associates are about to launch a 30 week course to familiarise teachers with this condition; which is defined as difficulty with words or language and is not related at all to intelligence. One child in ten is suspected to be a victim. The cause is believed to be an inefficient connection between the left and right lobes of the brain. The condition is genetic, and 80% have one or two dyslexic relatives or family. There is no cure but teaching can improve performance and help sufferers to cope. Four times as many boys as girls are dyslexic. Most of them are brighter than their written work would suggest, but most are up to two years behind with reading and writing. Some may have difficulty with maths; they are not able to learn the times-tables

or even the alphabet. They also have difficulty telling their left from their right hand and telling the time. A quarter of sufferers are left handed and were late walkers and talkers. This condition must be caught before the child is seven if it is to be alleviated. By the time a child is ten their feelings of failure have been confirmed. Strangely enough, glasses with coloured glass can help.

Mrs. Meeson was thanked for her fascinating talk by Mrs. Makin. She was given a pot plant by Mrs. Aspinall. The raffle was won by Mrs. Gurr. The competition winners were, 1st - Mrs. Aspinall; 2nd - Mrs. Barwood; 3rd - jointly Mrs. Richards & Mrs. Wilcocks. Delicious refreshments were provided by Miss Runnalls and Mrs. Richards. The posy donor was Mrs. King. Our next meeting is on May 20th and new members are always welcome.

ST. BREWARD W.I.

Mrs. G. Champion presided at the May meeting. She welcomed new member Mrs. R. Cousens and another prospective new member to our meeting. We held a very successful Table Sale at the School on 2nd May and would like to thank the W.I. ladies from the Wadebridge W.I. Market and other local organisations for giving us their welcome support. All made funds for their own organisations.

The Resolutions were discussed and voted on for the IGM at Bournemouth on 4th June - ably guided by Mrs. J. Cheeseman our representative this year. We are holding a talk on Tuesday 12th May at 7.30p.m. at the Village Hall given by the Cornwall Aids Council; do come and join us and hear the up to date information on this important subject. Refreshments will be provided. Our speaker was Mr. Blackburn on Bee Keeping. Miss M. Brown was 1st in the competition and she also won the raffle. Flower of the month winner was shared between Mrs. J. Greenaway and Miss M. Brown.

Margaret Shelley

BLISLAND W.R.V.S. CLUB

The Annual General Meeting was held on 21st April. In addition to the 14 members present a cordial welcome was extended to Miss Jane Everton, Organiser W.R.V.S. Clubs for the elderly and Mr. Martin Stretton newly appointed W.R.V.S. District Organiser for North Cornwall.

A report was given on the committee meeting of 13th April. Secretary's report for the year ending 31st March was read by Mrs. Billing outlining the various activities the club had undertaken.

In the absence of our treasurer, Mr. Jefford, who was on holiday, a review of the club's financial position was undertaken by myself. From the figures displayed it could be clearly seen that our meetings in the hall were running at a loss. It was proposed by Mrs. M. Webber, seconded by Mrs. Masters that the subscriptions per meeting should be increased by 15p to 40p. This was carried unanimously.

It was noted that our treasurer had indicated that being now a resident in Padstow it was proving difficult to attend every meeting. He therefore wished to resign from the position of treasurer. This was accepted with regret but the reason was understood. Mrs. Audrey Pierce had been approached to undertake the treasurer's role and had agreed to do so. All present voted in favour of this appointment.

On 5th May to celebrate the club's 19th birthday, eleven members attended the Betjeman Centre at Wadebridge at the kind invitation of the administrator Dr. G. Kinsman-Barker. Transport was laid on by the centre and a most enjoyable afternoon commencing with lunch and a tour of the establishment was had. The memorabilia room was most interesting to browse around with a 20 minute video recording illustrating the great man's love of Cornwall. Wadebridge must be proud to have such an attractive and beautifully furnished centre for the elderly.

Tony Ham

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