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BLISLAND with TEMPLE and ST. BREWARD

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Sunday Services for September

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

Temple
Evensong will be held at 3.30p.m. on Sunday 6th September.

Weekday Services
Blisland: Eucharist at 9.30a.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays.
St. Breward: As announced.

Important Feast days in September
Tuesday 8th September - Nativity of the B.V.M.
Monday 14th September - Holy Cross Day
Monday 21st September - St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.

Patronal Festival: At Blisland on Sunday September 27th. Feast of St. Protus and St. Hyacinth.

Parish Eucharist at 9.30a.m.

Pilgrimage to the Parish Cross from the Church at 3.00p.m. followed by Short service in the Church.
Special Preacher: Canon Miles Brown.

Evensong will be said at 6.00p.m.

Future dates in the Church's Calendar

Harvest Festival: St. Breward on the 4th October.
Blisland on the 11th October.

Feast of the Dedication of the Church at Blisland and St. Breward will be celebrated on Sunday 25th October.

Letter from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

This month we shall be celebrating our patronal festival at Blisland on Sunday 27th September.

The dedication of the church in Blisland is unique in that, it is the only church in England to bear the name of St. Protus and St. Hyacinth. Brothers, they were martyred in the late 3rd century. Protus was beheaded and Hyacinth was burned. Their memory is preserved by the church in Como, Milan, Florence and Rome. Their feast day is celebrated at Blisland on the Sunday nearest to the 22nd of September.

The importance of keeping a patronal festival lies in the fact that we are reminded that being a christian is not just a private affair between God and ourselves but that we are part of a community of faith called the Communion of Saints who are called to be witnesses (martyrs) to the truths of the Gospel. Such martyrs were St. Protus and Hyacinth and thus it is only fitting that the church at Blisland which bears their name should commemorate their witness on the day of their heavenly birthday which falls on the 27th of this month.

In this decade of evangelism to which the church in this parish is committed, it is appropriate that we in our turn should also witness to the Christian faith and this we can do in our village by participating fully in the programme arranged for the feast of St. Protus and Hyacinth on the 27th September.

In doing so we shall not only acknowledge the work of God's grace in lives of these two great saints but also to the fact that there is a christian presence to which we bear witness in the pagan world around us.

Yours sincerely
Father Frank Harris

Parish Registers

Holy Baptism

Adam Paul Sleep was baptised on Sunday 12th July at St. Breward Parish Church.

Richard Thomas Hargreves was baptised on Sunday 26th July at St. Breward Parish Church.
"Made a member of Christ, a child of God and an inheritor of the kingdom of God".

Marriage

Holy Matrimony was celebrated at Blisland Parish Church on Saturday 18th July between Andrew Roose and Rosemarie Trevarthen.
"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder".

Funerals

The funeral service for the late Frank Thomas James Sawle took place at St. Breward Parish Church on Saturday 8th August. Interment followed in the churchyard.
"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon him."

Confirmation

Daniel Patrick McShee and Daniel Matthew McShee were confirmed by the Bishop of Truro on Wednesday 15th July at St. Petroc's Church, Bodmin.
Mark Harding was confirmed by the Bishop of St. Germans at St. Germans Church on Sunday 26th July.

Josie Harding would like to thank Bishop Richard, Rev'd Frank Harris, Rev'd Joan Kirby, John and Ann Meeson for their help and kindness shown when Mark was confirmed recently. I would like to thank everyone for the cards and gifts given to Mark on this special occasion and to Mrs. Pam Hayne for a lovely meal.

BLISLAND METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 6th at 2.30pm Preacher Mrs Willkins

Sunday September 20th at 2.30pm Preacher Rev'd A. Williams.

A Coffee Morning will be held at the home of Mrs. Billing at 'Polpry' on Tuesday 8th September. 10.30 - 12.30. Bring & Buy. Sale of vegetables and plants. Refreshments. Proceeds in aid of Chapel funds.

ST. BREWARD METHODIST CHURCH - PREACHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 6th at	11am	Rev'd Barlow Sac
" "	6pm	Fellowship
Sunday September 13th at	11am	Mr. Huntley
" "	6pm	Rev'd Bickle
Sunday September 20th at	11am	Mr. Sleep
" "	6pm	Mr. Cooper
Sunday September 27th at	11am	Mr. Jones
" "	6pm	Rev'd Barlow Sac.

Sunday School during Morning Service.

Harvest Festival on October 11th. Preacher at 11am. and 6pm. Mrs. Pamela Luke.
Harvest Supper on October 12th. Preacher Mr. David Brown.

St. Breward Methodist Church will be holding a Sankey Evening on Tuesday 22nd September followed by a Cornish Supper. Price £1.50.
Mr. Charles Keast of Summercourt will lead the singing. Come and sing your favourite hymns. Everyone welcome.

St. Breward Methodist Church Coffee Shop. Wednesdays from 10 to 11.30am. Join us for coffee and a chat.

A Reply to the Chairman of the Society for the Preservation of Blisland with Temple Churches.

It was discouraging to see in last month's Parish Magazine the extract from the above Society's Annual Report. Despite the Chairman's emphasis, it is clear that the Society does direct funds away from the Church. If the sum of £842 recently raised had been given to the Parachial Church Council, instead of to the Preservation Society, it could have put towards paying off the long-standing debt to the diocesan Common Fund of nearly £1500, not to mention this year's assessment of over £2000.

It is ridiculous to suggest that the Diocese expropiates money from the parishes. They all contribute to the Common Fund, more than three quarters of which goes towards clergy stipends, upkeep of their Parsonages and the diocesan share of the Central Quota of the Church of England. Without the Common Fund Blisland and most other parishes would find themselves without clergy, leaving the church buildings as just historic relics.

R.B.N. Hicks

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Copy for October issue in by 10th September please.

Thank you to Mr. R.A. Dowrick who sent in the photo of St. Pratt's Festival on September 22nd 1929. Mr. Dowrick says that he is the boy carrying the lantern looking up at the man carrying the big cross - his first St. Pratt's aged 6 years old. Little did he know then that he was looking up at his future father-in-law 20 years on.

LISLAND VILLAGE HALL

The Garden Safari raised £151 - made up as follows:
Entrance fees £108.00 Refreshments £33.00
Commission on sale of plants £5.00 Donation £5.00
All the gardens looked really lovely and were highly praised by all the visitors. Our thanks to the gardeners who obviously worked very hard to get them looking at their best. Our thanks also to the ladies (and gentlemen) who provided and served the excellent refreshments.

St. Pratt's Festival Fun Day

This will be held on the Village Green on Saturday 26th September starting at 2.00p.m. All the village organisations are taking part and there will be sports events for children, Tug of War, a Duck Race and lots of other attractions.

ST. BREWARD NEWS

The Church Fete was again very successful despite the inclement weather and the marvellous sum of £1.000.23p was raised. Many thanks to all who helped and of course came and spent their money.

The Evening of Entertainment held in the church on 14th July was also agreat sucess. Mrs. McShee would like to thank all who helped make the evening run smoothly and especially of course to all those who took part. The sum of £154.80 was raised.

The fifth St. Breward Carnival proved to be the best yet despite the wet weather conditions. It was led by Boyce Keeling of the North Cornwall Hunt followed by the St. Breward Silver Band under the directorship of Mickey Hunt. Much ingenuity and work had gone into making the floats which included those of the carnival queen Beverley Yeo and fairy queen Cheryl Sleep with attendants Vicki Hollister and Rebecca Rose.

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

When I think back now though it must have been a great worry for our mothers and fathers as most every family were large.

Easter was a very busy time for the children in the village and nearby. They spent the few days before Easter picking primroses to decorate the church. On Easter Sunday there would be a mass of primroses all around the church, also daffodils and narcissus - what a beautiful smell they used to give.

It was a busy time for me being the server. I would start on Maundy Thursday and finish up on Easter Sunday in the evening. Two and sometimes three services each day. That more or less finishes my memories of the church and what it did for the parish. Another event happened each year in Blisland that I can remember. The Rev'd Clarabut's son who was also a preacher and lived in London. Him and his friend Father Murrey would bring down scouts and girl guides during the summer holidays. They would pitch their tents in a field below the rectory and would stay for perhaps a month. We children would go down to their camp in the evenings and play games with them and sit around their camp fires. They had to cook their own meals over their fires while they were there. They would go on different outings during the days, sometimes they would take the oldest of we children with them.

During my childhood days I can remember there was a market held for the farmers in Bodmin. They had to drive most of what they had to sell walking all the way, which must have been six miles. Small animals they would take by horse and cart. I can remember going into market once with a farmer and his wife. They were taking a cow with its calf to sell. The farmer's wife and myself rode in the pony and Jingle which was a kind of round box on two wheels, with a door at the back and a step, with seats all around the inside of it. We also had the calf in with us with its head sticking out over the back so the cow could see it. The cow would be trotting along behind, both would be bawling all the way in. Same thing would happen if they bought anything in the market, it would all come home the same way as it was driven in.

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HAWKSTOR CHURCH!

No church at Hawkstor now, of course, but there was not so many years ago. Let me explain. During the early 1930's, the Church at Temple came, I believe, under the curacy of Bolventor. My family, however, who regularly attended the Chapel at Temple, never went to Temple Church. We did, however attend Church at Hawkstor. The reason for this was that we had lived at Blisland for a few years in the late 1920's and had attended the Church and Sunday School there. When we moved back to Temple we were still considered by the then Rector of Blisland - The Rev'd E.B. Clarabut to belong to his 'flock'. The residents of Hawkstor, then about twenty five in number, and living across the A30 road from Temple, were deemed to live in Blisland Parish. Where was the Church? you may ask. It was in a G.W.R. railway carriage, formerly used as a store by the China Clay Company. It was beautifully furnished, complete with altar, seating and a small harmonium. The Rev'd Clarabut drove across from Blisland on Sunday afternoon to take the service, together with his daughter Winifred (Miss Winnie) who played the harmonium. So there we worshipped, in our little church on the moor, my youngest brother was christened there. What happy times. The church long gone now of course but I still remember the very spot. I visit it sometimes, just for old times sake.

to be continued.....

R. Harper.

TABLE TENNIS

During the last season 1991/92 having gained promotion to Division 3 of the Mid Cornwall League, Blisland Table Tennis Club featured well by finishing halfway up the division at the end of the season and may have improved on this had our strongest team been available for every match.

So why not come and join us every Thursday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Village Hall, Blisland starting on 3rd September 1992. New members are most welcome. We are very short of lady members so stop slaving over a hot stove or the kitchen sink and join us on Thursday evenings!

Denis Garvey

A
NEW EVENT FOR CHILDREN

Children are invited to come along to St Breward Village Hall
every Sunday from 11.00 - 12.00
starting on September 13th.

There will be a fun and activity packed hour
combined with spiritual education
taken by members of the parishes of
Blisland and St. Breward.

All the children from the two parishes
from 4 yeard upwards
are warmly invited to what should be a very enjoyable time.

For more information parents and interested adults are invited to
attend a meeting at St Breward School
at 7.30 pm on September 10th
or phone:-
Joan Kirby: 851003
Pat & Brenda Bennett: 851124

CHILDREN!!!
Don't wear your best clothes!!!
Activities may be messy at times!!!
Sometimes there will be painting and drama.
BRING A FAVOURITE TOY IF YOU WISH

COFFEE MORNING - to be held on September 2nd.
10.30-12 noon. At Penrose, Tresarrett.
Bring & Buy. Proceeds in aid of Blisland Church
running expenses. Large garden, children welcome.
Offers of help gladly received. Phone Joan Kirby
851003. Please come along.

Isobel and Tony Willcocks invite you to a Coffee
Evening at Oak Ridge, Tregenna, Blisland at 7.00p.m.
on Friday 18th September.
Bring & Buy, Raffle and Sale of Christmas Cards.
Proceeds for the Home Farm Trust. All welcome.

ST. BREWARD FOOTBALL CLUB - ENTERTAINMENT

Saturday	September 5th	Double Top
"	" 12th	Will Brown
"	" 19th	Pageant
"	" 26th	Sparkle
"	October 3rd	Chris Maskell

Winners of St. Breward Carnival competitions:

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House to house collections for Mount Edgecumbe Hospice in St. Breward amounted to £73.41. Many thanks to Basil Sleep.

BLISLAND W.I.

The meeting was held on Wednesday July 15th at 7.30, Mrs. Aspinall was in the chair. Several things were discussed that were a little out of the common for us. First, the final preparations for our Produce Show and the proposed boat trip from Fowey to Lerryn. Mrs. Aspinall mentioned that the W.I. at Lerryn were prepared to do tea for us, which would probably be most welcome. The Safari Lunch at St. Tudy was mentioned, and also the concert at St. Tudy in aid of the Flower Festival.

Mrs. Gurr was warmly congratulated on passing her City & Guilds exam in Flower Arranging. The W.I. has also been asked to contribute a cake stall at the Village Hall Fun Day on 26th September.

Then followed a keenly awaited talk on Fuchsias by a blind gardener, Mr. Morrish. He described the fuchsia as a 'lady's flower'. It is the most popular plant on the market today, and comes in 6,000 varieties. There are 2,000 applications a year to register new varieties, many of which fail because they are not different enough. Mr. Morrish raises nearly 200 varieties himself with the help of his wife. He told us his method of propogating. Take a 2-3 inch cutting below a node, any time of the year. Trim off lower leaves, dip into rooting powder, and dibble 4-6 to a pot into a half peat, half sand compost. Leave uncovered after watering and cuttings should root within one month. Then pot on into 4" pots. Feed after one month, using quarter strength feed every watering. He then gave us some names of suitable varieties for various situations which I pass on for the benefit of the many keen gardeners who read this magazine.

A good basket selection is: Bow Belles, Marinka, Tropicana. Good bush or bedding plants: Gladiator, Alaska, Winston Churchill, Haydon and Lady Boothby. Suitable plants to make into Standards include: Swingtime, Coachman and Orange Mirage. All non-hardy fuchsias should be kept in a frost free place over winter and given the minimum of water. In spring, repot if necessary, cut back and begin watering and feeding. Mr. Morrish then presented us with a delightful

plant for auction, to go towards W.I. funds. He was thanked by Mrs. Aspinall and warmly applauded.

The Flower of the Month Competition was won by Mrs. Barwood with a lovely 'Foxtail Lily' or Eremurus. Refreshments were provided by Mesdames Aspinall and S. Runnalls. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday October 21st. New members would be made very welcome.

M.R.G.

THE BLISLAND W.I. PRODUCE SHOW

A good selection of entries again for our Annual Show, with special mention to be made of the marvellous selection of childrens entries. The standard was very high, with some lovely pictures, potato prints and miniature gardens. The children from Blisland School came in the morning for a "special view" with their teachers, who explained to them how the show worked, and how things were displayed.

The craft section also attracted some beautiful work including some truly original pieces.

The cookery section had its usual variety of delicious fare; mouth watering cakes, flans, bread, buns and savouries. The jam section had some fine and well presented entries, as did the pickles, although there were not so many pickled onions this year.

The vegetables attracted fewer entries, though what there was, was of exceptional quality.

I pass on a few tips for exhibitors, given to us by our judge Mr. White. First of all, don't be frightened to 'have a go'. Put in whatever you have in your garden, and the results may surprise you. Whatever you are entering read the schedule. You may put in four superb peas, but if the schedule says six, you won't get a prize. Secondly, the vegetables entered do not have to be the biggest, but they should all be of even size, and without blemish. This is very important with roots like potatoes, onions and beetroot. Mr. White commended the fruit, saying tne blackcurrants and redcurrants were first-class, very fresh and of excellent size.

With rhubarb, when the schedule says 'trimmed' this means tops only, the base should be left on. Our judge felt that next year the carnations and pinks should be separated into two classes, as there were a good many entries of both. The calendulas and dahlias were of good quality also. He especially commended the vase of mixed flowers and the one stem of any variety.

This was as usual, a lovely, happy show, with everybody working hard. Our thanks to all the judges, the competitors, the helpers, and of course to Mr. Tony Willcocks our auctioneer. The prizes were presented by the W.I. county chairwoman, Mrs. Sheila Goldsworthy.

M.R.G.

ST. BREWARD PLAYGROUP

This year's entry to the Carnival of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs was very successful winning first prize in the St. Breward Carnival and second prize in the St. Teath Carnival. A big thank you to everyone concerned with the float. The children (and parents) throughly enjoyed both carnivals.

The Playgroup would like to thank Paul Heywood International Limited for their generous donation to Playgroup funds.

Playgroup will re-open after the summer break on 7th September. Anyone who is aged between $2\frac{1}{2}$ and 5 years and is toilet trained is welcome to attend. We meet on Mondays and Thursdays between 9.15am and 12 noon at the Village Hall and the cost is £1.50 per session.

For any information on the Playgroup please contact Vanessa Morrish Tel: 850417, Denise Yeo Tel: 850936 or Mike Sherry Tel: 850036.

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BLISLAND W.R.V.S. CLUB

At the kind invitation of Mrs. Isobel Willcocks, the club were entertained to a splendid garden party at OakRidge on 24th July. The weather was sunny intervals, warm enough to stroll around and enjoy the garden which must be one of the lovliest in the area. Not only were the shrubs and flowers to be admired, but tucked away inside were twenty household items, often with colours matching making it very difficult to detect. The Treasure Trail was arranged by Mrs. Gwen Masters and the articles were so surreptitiously placed, none of the participants found every item. The winning pair were Mrs. Audrey Pierce and Mrs. Jo Exelby. A sumptous tea followed and was enjoyed by all. Thank you Gwen and Isobel for a most pleasant afternoon.

On the 4th August my wife and I opened our modest garden to club members for a barbecue. This was a new venture, viewed with a certain amount of trepidation for as anyone knows who has tried cooking this way, it can sometimes be a disaster when everything comes out burnt black! This did not happen however and as chief cook I was most pleased with the result. Again the weather had been unpredictable but that afternoon it was dry and sunny. There was a competition to be played - Cornish place names with rather elusive clues. Example: 'Head of police near St. Austell', answer 'Boscoppa'! There were twenty such places to be identified, no-one completed the list but the most successful winning team was again Mrs. Audrey Pierce and Mrs. Jo Exelby.

Tony Ham

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND - the final summer band engagement will take place at Padstow on Sunday 6th September at 2.00p.m. and 7.00p.m.

St. Breward Parish Council have recently had safety surfacing laid at the two play areas at Rylands and Penvorder and this has cost the total sum of £1,641.18. This has been done in the interest of safety for the children.

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