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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.

Sunday School starts again on Sunday September 12th in the Village Hall at St. Breward at 11.00a.m.

Temple: Evensong at 3.30p.m. on Sunday, 5th September.

Weekday Services

Blisland: Eucharist at 9.30a.m. on Wednesdays.

Important Feast Days in September

Tuesday, 14th September - Holy Cross Day - Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m.

Tuesday, 21st September - St. Matthew's Day - Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m.

Wednesday, 22nd - Saturday, 25th September - Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m., Evensong at 6.00p.m.

Feast of St. Protus and Hyacinth (St. Pratt's Festival)

Sunday, 26th September - Eucharist for both parishes at Blisland at 10.30a.m.

Pilgrimage to the Parish Cross from the Church at 3.00p.m. followed by short service in the Church. Special Preacher, The Reverend Canon Kenneth Rogers, Rector of Bodmin Team Ministry. After the service, tea will be served at the Institute.
Evensong will be said at 6.00p.m.

Future Dates in the Church's Calendar
Harvest Festival: St. Breward on 3rd October
Blisland on 10th October
Feast of the Dedication of the Church at Blisland and St. Breward will be celebrated on Sunday 24th October.
Feast of All Saints on Sunday 31st October - Services at usual times.

Letter from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,
This month we shall be celebrating our patronal festival at Blisland on Sunday, 26th 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 day 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 26th 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 which takes place between the 22nd and 26th of September. Taking part will be walkers who are participating in the Cornish project 'The Walk of a Thousand Men'. It is their desire that they will be able to meet as many people as possible in the hope that they will be able to witness in person to the saving truths of Jesus Christ. I hope then that all who have Christian convictions will support them in their endeavours. In doing so, with God's grace, we can become effective instruments in trying to establish a more virile Christian community in the pagan world around us.

Yours sincerely,
Frank Harris

ST. BREWARD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday September 5th	at 11am.	Preacher	Mr Huntley
" " "	6pm	"	Rev'd Williams
Sunday September 12th	at 11am	"	Mrs Williams
" " "	6pm	"	Rev'd Barlow
Sunday September 19th	at 9.30am	"	Rev'd Barlow F.S.
" " "	6pm		Fellowship
Sunday September 26th	at 11am	"	Rev'd Bickle
" " "	6pm	"	Mrs Coad R.S.

BLISLAND METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 5th at 2.30p.m. Preacher Mrs Wilkins
Sunday September 19th at 2.30p.m. Preacher Rev'd A. Williams
(Holy Communion)

Parish Registers

Funerals

The funeral service for the late Brian White took place at Blisland Parish Church on Tuesday, 3rd August. Interment followed in the churchyard.

The funeral service for the late Evelyn Daisy Keverne took place at the chapel at Glyn Valley. Cremation followed afterwards.

"Eternal rest grant unto them and let light perpetual shine upon them".

Baptism

The baptism of Marie Charlotte Beryl Ralph, baby daughter of Philip and Caroline Ralph took place on Sunday 18th July at St. Breward Methodist Church.

Shirley Runnalls would like to thank everyone who gave to her recent collection in aid of the RNLI. A total of £54.22 was raised.

CELEBRATION OF ST. PRATT'S AT BLISLAND

The week of our patronal festival will be an exciting event this year. To start the proceedings on a good note David Briggs the celebrated organist of Truro Cathedral has agreed to fit us into his busy schedule and give a concert in the church on Tuesday 21st September at 7.30p.m. Those who attended his concert last year were amazed at his brilliant versatility - even those who normally find the organ unexciting. Tickets are £3.50 and early booking is advised from Blisland Post Office and Enid Dickinson, 850560. Refreshments will be available during the interval.

THE WALK OF 1,000 MEN

The Cornwall walk starts on the Tamar Bridge on Saturday, 4th September and each week until the 17th October. Some 160 - 170 men will be walking from east to west, fanning out along the coastal paths and the ancient pilgrim ways.

Our ten men for Blisland and St. Breward, who are coming from all over the country (Cheshire, Lancashire, Notts, Bedfordshire, Birmingham and Saltash!) will be with us on Wednesday, 22nd September, when we plan to welcome them to a Community Supper.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday the men will be taking every opportunity to meet and talk with as many people as possible in our two parishes.

We have a provisional programme drawn up, which includes visits to schools, clubs, pubs, coffee mornings, house visiting, anywhere in fact where there is a chance for people to meet and talk. There will be some free time available, so if you would like to invite one or two of the walkers to meet you and your friends over a cup of tea or coffee please phone Ray Lee 850993.

The walkers visit will culminate in a joint service at Blisland Parish Church on Sunday, 26th September at 10.30a.m., when it is hoped that christians of all denominations will join in this act of worship and thanksgiving for the mission.

BLISLAND YOUTH THEATRE WORKSHOP

If you passed Blisland village hall on Saturday morning - yes you did hear the robust strains of "She'll be coming round the mountains" - the Youth Theatre Workshop were doing their thing for the benefit of parents and friends. The morning started with welcome cups of coffee and biscuits, progressed to a sing-song and ended in a riotous game which entailed a quick change and mad dash.

The youngsters were in excellent form, despite the fact some of the more seasoned members were ill or had to attend previous engagements, and we were entertained to a morning of fast moving fun.

Mrs. W. Gurr and her daughter Jo kept the workshop production at full blast, their efforts are so very well directed for what is more rewarding than encouraging young people to learn while having fun?

The class looked a very promising bunch and their future productions should be looked forward to with keen anticipation. Whatever they decide to present should be excellent entertainment and the villagers of Blisland and any neighbours have a treat in store.

Boys and girls come out to play and be players. If you are over seven, or you have a young relative who is looking for a worthwhile pursuit, consider the theatre workshop.

Mrs. Gurr wishes to thank everyone who gave raffle prizes or made cakes for the cake sale and all those who attended the workshop at home.

May we in turn thank the wonderful Mrs. Gurr for all her work. Her labour of love never goes unnoticed by grateful parents, friends and her pupils (past and present) and of course the audiences of her spirited productions.

The Village Hall at Blisland was packed to capacity on August 7th to enjoy the current Camhayle production of "A Month of Sundays". The actors were delighted to be playing to such a receptive audience and £216.50 was raised for church funds. Thank you to all who supported the evening and we hope that Camhayle might be persuaded to perform for us in the future.

Mr. G.C.A. Masters

A large gathering of almost 50 Parishioners of Blisland took place on Tuesday 3rd August at Trewardale by the kind permission of Major and Mrs. Charles Edward-Collins, to honour the past services of Mr. G.C.A. Masters during some 40 years as Church Warden, on his retirement.

In an address Brig. E.C.T. Edward-Collins spoke of the excellent service Mr. Masters had given to the Church in a very devoted manner and at all times very willing to undertake any task required. Mrs. M. Masters was given the appreciation of the Parishioners for the backing and support she had given throughout this long period of service.

Brig. Edward-Collins presented Mr. Masters with a water colour painting of Keybridge Farm as seen from Tregadick by Mr. Derek Watson of Tregenna, also an enlarged framed colour photograph of the interior of Blisland Church. Mrs. A. Edward-Collins also presented a bowl of flowers to Mrs. M. Masters in recognition of her support and assistance.

Mr. and Mrs. Masters expressed their appreciation for the reception and presentation and it was of interest to hear from Mrs. Masters that they had an almost identical photograph of the Church taken on the occasion of their marriage which occupied a place of honour in their home.

During the evening wine and refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening was held.

BLISLAND with TEMPLE & ST. BREWARD PARISH MAGAZINE

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Can anyone identify where the picture on the front cover comes from?

HANTERGANTICK QUARRY

At Hantergantick Quarry there is a pit that is 160 feet deep from top to bottom. To break off the granite pieces the workers put gun powder in the rock and it explodes. Then the loose rock is lifted out of the quarry by a large crane. Later it is moved onto the table to be cut. It is cut by large, electronic, circular saws. The tips of the saws are made of industrial diamonds.

The granite has to be cut into slabs for window sills, pillars, grave stones etc. Once the stone has been cut, it has to be polished. Years ago the cutting and polishing were done by hand but nowadays everything is mechanised and computerised.

There are many types of granite. These are marble stone, pink stone, black stone, blue stone and grey stone. Hantergantick Quarry imports many types of granite from abroad. The black stone comes from India, the blue stone (called Imperil) comes from Brazil and the pink stone comes from Scotland.

Due to the dangerous nature of the work at the quarry, there are many safety measures in force. The two obvious ones are the railings and the bright yellow hard hats.

It is fascinating to find that the workers know the weight of the stones just by looking at them.

There are two types of pollution at the quarry. Noise pollution and air pollution. The dust pollution is not as bad as would be expected. The ground is covered with a white film.

Due to the noise, working in the quarry must be difficult. To combat the noise, the workers wear headphones.

Thank you to the children of Blisland school who wrote the above article.

ST. BREWARD SILVER BAND

On Thursday 2nd September the band will play for the last time this summer at Port Isaac at 7.45p.m.

In response to Mr. Bousfield's challenge in the July issue Zoe and Kristofer Metters have sent in the following book titles.

Pirate Ships by R. Jimlad.
A History of Cars by Otto Mobeel
How to be Taller by R.U. Stunted
Keeping Pet Snakes by Sir Pent
Ghost Stories by I.M. Scared
Will he Win by Betty Wont
Party Games by Hans Knees & Bumpsa Daisy
How to Feed Dogs by Nora Bone
How to get Rich Quick by Robin A. Bank
How to play Football by Hans Ball
Flies and Insects by Lady Bird
Looking after Birds by Ivor Parrot

Paddy, Catherine, Carly and Daniel McShee would like to express their thanks to all the people who have helped them in any way during Daniel's recent illness and for all the cards, presents and messages. It is gratifying to know that we have so many friends.

Because of Daniel's illness the magazine was late being printed last month so I hope you all received your copy in time for the many events that occur in August. The situation did make me realise that if for any reason I cannot edit the magazine there should be at least someone else who knows how to put it all together. It really is very simple once you have seen it done. If any one would be willing to help please contact me at any time. I emphasise that I am not giving up but I do feel that someone else ought to know how the magazine is put together.

I would like to thank Mr. D. Bousfield for his kind letter in thanking me for editing the magazine over the last few years. It is nice to know that my efforts (including a few mistakes) are appreciated. I enjoy editing the magazine but that is all I am - the editor - the magazine belongs to you all so please keep the articles and suggestions and even criticisms coming.

Catherine McShee

Geoffrey and Mavis Masters would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who have contributed to the wonderful coloured picture of the interior of Blisland Church, and the lovely water painting of Keybridge Farm, beautifully done by Mr. Derek Watson our local artist of Tregenna, also for the lovely arrangement of flowers presented by Mrs. Ann Edward-Collins on the occasion of my retirement as Churchwarden.

When we speak to our friends in neighbouring parishes who have been churchwardens they say we only do three or five years. Then we thought it would be nice to have a break after forty years.

The years have passed quickly and the time goes on. We have seen a number of Rectors come and go. We have made a lot of friends through our church. There have been many interregnums all of which mean more work and responsibility on the churchwardens. I hope I have satisfied and helped everyone who have either called or telephoned me in times of need.

On many occasions we have been to Trewardale, where you are always greeted as you enter by that wonderful word, Welcome. We thank you Brigadier and Mrs. Ann Edward-Collins for all your help and support over many years. Also Major and Mrs. Vicky Edward- Collins for holding our presentation party at your home.

Also many thanks to Mrs. Margaret Lee for the delicious refreshments at the party. And to Mrs. Nancy James who wrote so beautifully the scroll which is a wonderful reminder of all our friends.

G & M Masters

The Peter Harper Memorial Pool Tournament raised £280 for the Air Ambulance. Mr. Worden from F.A.A.S.T. came and received the money at the Club.

The Robert Dingle Memorial Darts Tournament raised £235 for the Renal Unit at Treliske.

ST. BREWARD CARNIVAL

This year's carnival took place on July 17th and the sunshine helped ensure it was one of the most successful ever. Frank Keat on his horse led the parade followed by St. Breward Silver Band with their musical director Mickey Hunt. The carnival was a colourful mixture of floats, fancy dress walkers, queens and fairy queens including St. Breward Carnival Queen Jemma Hill with her attendants Kylie Sleep and Heather Harper and the White Hart majorettes from Bodmin. The evening's festivities finished with live music at the Old Inn and a disco by Chris Vanderplank at the football social club.

Lottery prize winners were: 1st Mrs Fuller, 2nd K, Hollister. Other prizes were won by Mrs A. Cox, D. Fairman, W. Phillips, R. Hocking, T. Colman, M. Shoosmith, D. Corroll, Mrs Brewer, S. Sawle.
The lucky programme number was 19 which was bought by Mrs. M. Hill.
The winning entries for the puzzles in the programme were submitted by Mrs. N. Teague and G. Greenaway.

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THE BLISLAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE PRODUCE SHOW

Man and Nature in concord, although it has rained a shade this year, (you may have noticed!) that would never stop Blisland's Produce Show going ahead. We can even overcome the weather and such perseverance and skill deserve success and that is what the 43rd Annual Produce Show was - successful.

There were rainbows of flowers, waterfalls of plants, deserts of cacti, acres of vegetables, (gleaming and as proud as their growers should be), pillows of soft fruit, and bread, cakes, buns and jam enough to fatten the old woman who lived in a shoes brood.

To study the faces of those who enter, or just attend, is one of the great joys of a produce show. Some are anxious, others curious, a few relieved, some smiles of quiet confidence, awed (as in my case), intent studious stares, amazement.....like watching a silent movie and some of you camcord owners should come next year and film this slice of village life.

Another aspect of the show, which is sometimes lost in the excitement, are the sections devoted to our young competitors. The art was stunning and would adorn any lounge wall. The cookery, biscuits and iced buns and the needlework were all excellent, the miniature gardens charming. The older winners had better keep improving for the dino-generation are coming up fast.

The handicraft sections, ranging from sweet matinee jackets to a wonderful patchwork quilt, were a revelation of artistry and skills. The arrangements of flowers were a delight to the eye and an important challenge to our concepts of this subtle art.

A produce show to remember '93 and let us remember all the workers behind the scenes, who produced the production. May we thank Brig. and Mrs. Edward-Collins for opening the show and Mr. Willcocks for rounding off the occasion with a stylish auction. And in between, the W.I. ladies who worked so hard and happily to ensure the whole show ran smoothly. Lastly, the competitors, the winners, seconds, thirds and the try-again-next-years, without whom there would be no show. Thanks to all supporters, who hopefully will all be entrants in next year's 44th Annual Produce Show.

Patsy Brewer

ST. BREWARD W.I.

We do not have a meeting of the W.I. in August because we are all supposed to be far too busy entertaining our friends and relations from 'up country' and of course lying on the beach soaking up the sunshine! But about half the members were very involved in the float for St. Breward Carnival which was "Jungle Book", with seven inhabitants portrayed. Ann Hole made the costumes and did a lot of work setting up the scenery while Rosemary Lowe made all the animal masks. The success of everyones efforts was shown by the W.I. being awarded "best in class" and then "best tableau overall" in our own carnival. The following week the float entered Bodmin Carnival and was awarded the Webb Trophy for the comic tableau and the Westcountry TV Trophy for the overall carnival winner. Much help was received from Mr. Lowe, Mr. Patrick Metters, Mr. Hoskin of Liskeard in providing the vehicles. Truly a great success for all those concerned - congratulations!

See you on September 7th at 7.30p.m. with one antique type article for valuation by Mr. Richard Hamm of Lambrays.

Anne Holmes

CORNWALL HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

This year the Sponsored Bicycle Ride takes place on Saturday September 11th from 10 -6p.m. You can cycle, walk or ride a horse between churches and even be sponsored for sitting in a church. All money raised is divided equally between your chosen church or chapel and the Historic Churches Trust. Details and sponsorship forms available from Mrs. C. McShee Tel. 350435.

TABLE TENNIS

Once again the season is almost upon us, and league fixtures will commence in October. Blisland Table Tennis Club will re-commence in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m. on Thursday 2nd September 1993. New members will be most welcome, ladies and gentlemen. Bats and balls supplied.

BLISLAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

"Fasten your safety belts!"

The W.I. were departing, courtesy of Mr. J.H. Thomas, to South East Asia and if you had been in the village hall on Wednesday 21st July, you could have come too. What a trip, taking in the sights, sounds and smells of India, Hong Kong, China and - wait for it - Bali.

We saw the shimmer of India's heat and refreshed ourselves in the cool reflection of the Taj Mahal, we jostled through the throngs of Hong Kong climbed pagodas and sighed over sunsets on the South China Sea. Markets, cities, ferries, rickshaws, trains and planes - priests, merchants, Balinese dancers - all for free for time travellers with Mr. Thomas. For he is a magician of the first water, we were certainly spellbound by his tales of the East and flew happily on his magic carpet of words across this vital part of our exciting world.

Not all glamour, terrible poverty, beggars, exploitation, disease, dirt - but all facets which form the ruby that is South East Asia. Thank you Mr. Thomas, when does the next magic carpet depart?

Back at base we have some trips of our own to look forward to. St. Pratts Fair, Shakespeare at Truro, a Barn Dance in August, Christmas Cookery demonstrations at Callington town hall, cavalcade of costumes thro' the ages at city hall and not one, but two lunches at Trelawneys. Joy, bliss and scrumy!

Talking of scrummy, Mrs. Walfords Cream Tea Party was such a success, that by popular demand, the dear lady carried it over into a Coffee Morning and made the handsome sum of £106.80. Our thanks to both Mr. and Mrs. Walford for their hospitality and hard work.

Our thank you goes also to Mrs Donnelly and Miss Runnalls, for the lovely refreshments provided for our meeting this month. The Flower Competition, hotly contested this time, was won by Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Gurr won the raffle.

There are many events to enjoy this summer (?) and coming autumn and the Blisland Women's Institute is here to ensure the ladies of our village sample life to the full. Challenges, demonstrations, skills to acquire above all friends to make and meet. Discover us, discover your own potential, join the W.I. Contact our president on Bodmin 851150.

BLISLAND W.R.V.S. CLUB

As club organiser, when a member offers to open her house for a meeting and entertain us for the afternoon I am of course delighted. It means I can participate without having to make any prior arrangements. Such was the day on 20th July when we were all invited to the home of Mrs. Jo Exelby. A competition was set whereby in alphabetical order a list had to be compiled of objects within the room (a slight variation of the old favourite game 'I Spy'). Points were awarded when results were compared to the master list. This caused much merriment, some discussion and an hour quickly passed. Everyone was given a chocolate bar for competing. Tea was a splendid affair and must have entailed a lot of work in preparation. Thank you 'Jo' and your helper 'Audrey' for a very pleasant afternoon.

On 4th August 14 members went to the John Betjeman Centre at Wadebridge for lunch. It was a very wet afternoon but some braved the weather and did a little shopping. Before returning home we had toasted tea cakes and a cup of tea. A suggestion was made we should return for one of the Friday afternoon Tea Dances. And I think we will!

Tony Ham

ST. BREWARD A.F.C.

Entertainment

Saturday 11th September	Final Frontier
Saturday 18th September	Martyn Lucas

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Football Fixtures

1st Team

4th September	Away to Liskeard
11th "	Home to Nanpean
18th "	Home to Camelford
25th "	Away to Coasters

2nd Team

4th September	Home to Menheniot
11th "	Away to Stratton
18th "	Away to Caradon
25th "	Away to St. Anne's Chapel

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