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BLISLAND with TEMPLE and ST. BREWARD

Rector: The Rev'd Frank Harris — **The Rectory, Blisland Bodmin 851020**

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Sunday Services for December

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

Sunday School meets at the Village Hall at 11.00a.m.

Weekday Services

Blisland: Eucharist on Wednesdays at 9.30a.m.

Important Holy Days in December

Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - December 8th
Eucharist at Blisland at 9.30a.m.

Advent/Christmas Service at Temple at 6.30p.m. on Sunday 19th December.

Quiet Hour at Blisland Parish Church between 3-4p.m. on Saturday 13th December in preparation for the celebration of Christmas.

Carol Service for Christmas at St. Breward Parish Church on Tuesday, 23th December at 3.30p.m.

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve
Blisland - Childrens service at 5.30p.m.
Midnight Mass at 11.30p.m.

St. Breward - First Mass of Christmas at 9.30p.m.

Christmas Day

Eucharist at Blisland at 10.00a.m. and at St. Breward at 11.15a.m.

Christmas Octave
Eucharist each day at 10.00a.m. at Blisland from the 27th to 1st January.

Advent Carol Service at Blisland on Sunday 5th December at 6.30p.m. NOT 28th November as stated in November magazine.

Letter from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

The seasons of Advent and Christmastide are very much concerned with the coming of Jesus Christ. Christmas with his first coming and Advent with his second, when we believe that he will return in majesty and glory to pass judgement on the world.

We need then to ponder and reflect upon these things and ask ourselves what relevance they have in our own lives. Perhaps if we read St. Matthew's Gospel, chapter 25. verse 31 to the end and from the letter of St. Paul to the Philipians, chapter 2. verses 5-11, we might begin to discern the true meaning and significance of these holy seasons. For Christmas which is the festival of the Incarnation tells us that in Jesus Christ, God became man so that man redeemed in Christ might partake of the Divine nature. We need then to empty ourselves of all the defects in our human nature if we wish to enter into the very life of God himself. Advent on the other hand reminds us that as well as being recreated in the image of God we are also stewards of his creation and this means the proper ordering of our lives. It thus further reminds us that we are accountable for our thoughts, words and actions and that there is a particular judgement to which all of us will be required to submit. Perhaps then this is a good time in the Church's year to give some real and sincere thought to the Sacrament of Confession. For there can be no worthy celebration of these two great seasons of the Church's year unless we heed the cry of St. John the Baptist to repent in the face of the imminent and awesome coming of the Lord.

These seasons stand then for Love and Humility; Stewardship and Judgement. Let us reflect then upon these qualities and make them a reality in our own lives.

With seasonal blessings.

Yours sincerely,
Father Harris.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

The Parish Priest will be available for the celebration of this sacrament at Blisland Parish Church on the following dates at the following times:-
Saturday, 18th December between 4.30 - 5.00p.m.
Tuesday, 21st December between 4.00 - 4.30p.m.
Wednesday, 22nd December between 10.15 - 10.45p.m.
Friday, 24th December between 6.00 - 6.30p.m.
or by appointment. Father Harris is always ready to explain the significance and use of this sacrament to anyone who wishes to mature in their understanding and practice of the spiritual life.

Parish Registers

Holy Baptism

Alexandra Sally Greenaway, Sam Luke Greenaway and Ross Anthony Greenaway were baptised at Blisland Parish Church on Sunday, 10th October.

Frances Louise McLean was baptised on Sunday 17th October at St. Breward Parish Church.

Andrew Stephen Prout was baptised on Sunday, 7th November at St. Breward Parish Church.

Matthew Christopher Clark was baptised on Sunday, 7th November at Blisland Parish Church.

'Made a member of Christ, a child of God and an inheritor of the Kingdom of God'.

Funerals

Mrs Doris Hoskin of St. Breward died on 20th September. The funeral service took place at the Glyn Valley Crematorium.

The funeral service for the late Olive Mary Grace Farquarson-Roberts took place at the Glyn Valley Crematorium on Friday, 12th November.

'Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let light perpetual shine on them.

BLISLAND METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

Sunday December 5th at 2.30pm. Preacher Mr R Hoskin
Sunday December 19th at 2.30pm. Nine Lessons & Carols
Preacher Rev'd A Williams

ST. BREWARD METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER-PREACHERS

December 5th	9.30am.	Rev'd Barlow Family Service
" "	6.00pm.	Mr Mabson
December 12th	11.00am.	Mr Sleep
" "	6.00pm.	Mr Toms
December 19th	11.00am.	Mr P Brown R.S.
" "	6.00pm.	Service of 9 Lessons & Carols Led by Rev'd Bickle
December 25th	10.00am.	Christmas Morning Service Led by Rev'd Bickle
December 26th	11.00am.	Rev'd Bickle
" "	6.00pm.	No Service

Monday 20th December at 7.00pm. CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
Entertainment by Junior Band, Camelford Handbell Ringers and the Sunday School Children.
Come and sing your favourite carols. Tea and Mincepies.
Collection for Save the Children Fund.

The last COFFEE MORNING of the year will be on Wednesday December 15th 10.00 - 11.30a.m.
A big thank you to everyone that join us on Wednesday mornings. We enjoy your company and wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. Coffee Mornings will start again on the first Wednesday in February. We look forward to meeting you all again then.

NEW YEAR'S EFFORT on January 5th at 6.00p.m.
'Magician' Entertainment for all. Come and join in the fun.

ST. BREWARD CHURCH COFFEE MORNING - Saturday December 4th 10.00 - 12 noon. In the Band Room. Admission free.
Cake Stall and Raffle. All welcome.

BLISLAND PLAYGROUP

Christmas will be upon us very soon and the children are all looking forward to their Christmas party with Chloe the clown putting on a show and hopefully Santa will also put in an appearance.

We will be having an Xmas Bazaar on 4th December; everyone will be welcome from 2.00 - 4.30p.m. at the village hall with entry of 50p. Any Craft stalls may be booked for £3 per table.

For any information on the bazaar or playgroup please ring Lisa Chohdri 851244 or Yvonne Matthews 350091. Blisland Playgroup wishes everyone a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

ST. BREWARD PLAYGROUP

A Whist Drive held in the Red Cross Centre on 28th October raised a total of £71 profit. Thank you very much to everyone who donated prizes and helped in any way, especially Mr Noel Hill for ensuring the evening ran smoothly and Mrs. Sherratt for her donation of refreshments.

A Coffee Morning will be held in the Band Room on Saturday 11th December between 10.00am. and 12.30p.m. to raise money for Playgroup Funds, to enable the children to have their Christmas Party on 22nd December. The children will be entertained by Paul Scott, a Magician, and if they are very good Father Christmas may call and see them.

Playgroup will finish for the Christmas break on Wednesday 22nd December and return on Wednesday 5th January. For more information on the Playgroup contact Vanessa Morrish on 850417, Dawn Sleep 850447, Denise Yeo 850936 or Julie Sleeman on Otterham Station 425.

URGENTLY REQUIRED

The 1st St. Breward Scout and Cub Scout Group are in need of Scout Leaders. If you are interested and want to be part of the Scouting movement thereby giving the local children the opportunity to be part also please contact either Mr. R. Hoskin on 851445 or Mr. B. Mitchell on 351037.

Please help. Your involvement will prevent the possibility of the disbandment of the Group.

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

Entertainment

Saturday	December	4th	(by popular demand) Martyn Lucas
Wednesday	"	8th	BINGO for Arthritis Research
Saturday	"	11th	Players Party and Disco
Wednesday	"	15th	BINGO for Football Club
Thursday	"	16th	Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner at 1.00p.m. Music by Morley Ruskin
Saturday	"	18th	Members Party. Music by Riff-Raff
Friday	"	24th	Christmas Eve Disco
Friday	"	31st	New Year's Eve Disco

Any Senior Citizen of the parish wishing to come to the Dinner, would they please enter their name on a list at the Post Office, or contact Chris Greenaway on 851008 or Joe Kay on 850030. The Community Bus will be available for anyone requiring transport. Please let Chris or Joe know or put a tick beside your name at the Post Office. Please come, we know you will enjoy it! We look forward to seeing you all.

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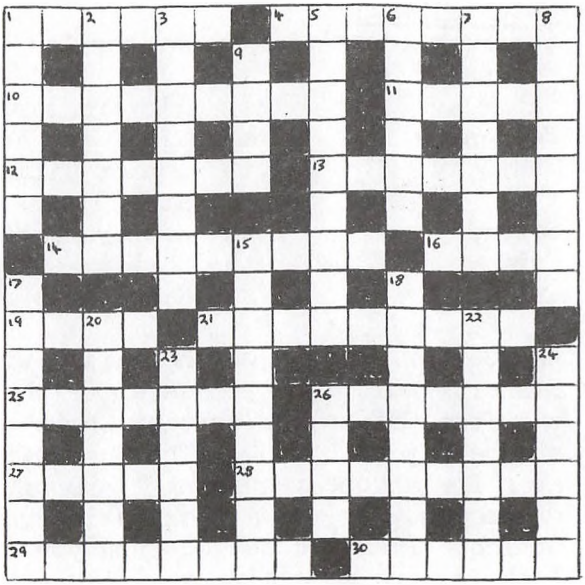

Across

1. Gambol (6)
4. Lively spaniels can do no harm! (3)
10. Planned (9)
11. Salt water (5)
12. Unlawful(7)
13. Criminal (7)
14. Homesick (9)
16. Leave out (4)
19. Hop-kiln (4)
21. Great plenty (9)
25. Lilac or mock-orange (7)
26. Beaming (7)
27. Sand-hills (5)
28. Police officer (9)
29. Dwelling (3)
30. Decks (6)

Down

1. Ancient relic (6)
2. A dramatic moor! (7)
3. Point out (3)
5. Vicious habit (9)
6. It's worth an extra run! (2-4)
7. Pointed saying (7)
8. Watch a game (3)
9. Apartment (4)
15. Book-keeper? (9)
17. Think carefully (3)
18. Pen an Weas! (5,3)
20. Violins, for example (7)
22. Vessel - for moving wine! (7)
23. In mint condition (6)
24. Baby-birds! (6)
26. Trick (4)

Mr. L. Hoskin and family wish to thank everyone for their kind enquiries whilst Mrs. Doris Hoskin was in hospital, and for all cards, messages of sympathy received upon her death. Thank you to Rev'd Barlow for hospital visits. Thank you to Rev'd R.J. Bickle for conducting the funeral service, and to family and friends for attending, also for the floral tributes.

Thank you to Mrs. Nesta Teague for receiving donations in lieu of flowers, for St. Breward Methodist Church; the total of £122.30 was received.

Thank you to Mr. D. Bousfield for providing us with another crossword to keep us busy over Christmas. He has kindly offered a £5 prize to the first correct entry opened. Solutions to Mr. D. Bousfield, Hantergantick, St. Breward by Saturday 8th January 1994.

WANTED

BLISLAND

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ST. BREWARD VILLAGE HALL SNOOKER CLUB

The 'A' team have made a commendable start to the season having not lost a match to date. John Pearce and Martin Yeo are both on unbeaten runs. The most satisfactory result to the team so far, was ending the unbeaten run of Wadebridge 'A'. Newcomer Daniel Dunkin is showing lots of promise, with "Whirlwind" Dean Hill excelling his usual high standard. Keep up the good work lads! May I take this opportunity on behalf of the Snooker Club to wish all readers a very merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy New Year.
New members welcome for 1994.

T.A. Ellery (Treasurer)

ST. BREWARD INSTITUTE & WAR MEMORIAL HALL

The committee of trustees are continuing the task of improving the amenities of the rooms and as the finances come in, then the various projects will be completed. New heating has been installed in the Institute and those attending the activities have enjoyed the instant warmth. Several organisations have held Whist Drives in the hall and have benefitted from the profits. The players enjoy a pleasant social evening and I am assured that it is not to be taken too seriously. The diet and exercise class continues with most members losing a little weight and enjoying the exercise (some more than others). This is a very informal fun evening and anyone can join in. Thursday evenings 7.30 till 8.45p.m.

Every Wednesday during term time will find many children enjoying the dance classes. We have been very lucky to find such a good teacher for the children and those taking part have a wonderful time. I hope there will be continued support for these classes as it would be a shame to lose them. Is anyone able to offer a lift to the dance teacher from Wadebridge at approx 4p.m. every Wednesday during term time?

My own dressmaking class, although small is an extremely pleasant way to spend a Friday afternoon at 3p.m. At the moment there are various Teddy bears on the production line and it is rumoured that one may even be completed before Christmas. If you want to join us and make a jointed Teddy or learn how to do alterations etc. you will be made most welcome, tea makers especially welcome. The creative writing class conducted by Mrs. Christine Wolfe is continuing and is well attended, everyone seems to be at different stages and if you are interested in joining you would be welcome to sit in on a session before committing yourself.

The mother and toddler group meet happily every Friday morning; I have been inside the room when the toddlers were 'on the loose' and I seriously feared for the safety of my ankles. The theatre group is now getting down to 'serious' work and have decided that the first public performance will be a pantomime 'The Old Woman That Lived In A Shoe'. Written by young members of the theatre group and hopefully ready for your appreciation in January. For that production the theatre group are

desperate for a couple of wigs (any length or colour) and also a clothes rail.

The new Simon Ward Carers Group has also set up home in the Institute and is open to all carers in the area. This group is hoping to be a social and informative gathering where people with similar problems can exchange ideas and perhaps solve those problems with the help of speakers and professional helpers. In the next meeting it is proposed to cover all aspects of D.S.S. benefits with a speaker from Truro. Notice of all forthcoming events etc. will be in the Post Office window.

The committee wish to once again thank everyone for their support and hope that you are enjoying or will in future enjoy the activities on offer. Proposed for the New Year are Art classes for beginners, patchwork classes and hopefully Judo or Karate and Self Defence classes. Any enquiries to Ann Hole on 351251.

Events to be held in the hall

December 16th - Grand Whist Drive (Christmas Fare Prizes) and Grand Christmas Draw.

December 17th - Evening of Tupperware - Ladies Fashions - Pottery and Dried Flowers.

THE CAMEL TRAIL

There is to be a Public Inquiry regarding the proposed Bodmin to Wenford Light Railway Order, to be held in the Public Rooms Mount Folly, Bodmin at 10.00a.m. on 11th January, 1994.

Anyone objecting to the proposed railway, which would completely close the Camel Trail to the public between Wenford Dries and Boscarne Junction, should write immediately to this address:-

The Department of Transport, Room P2/026,
2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3EB
and if possible, attend the Inquiry on January 11th.

Isobel and Tony Willcocks would like to thank everybody who supported their event for the Home Farm Trust. The grand total was £312. Special thanks to all helpers.

BLISLAND W.I.

We had a change of programme at our October Meeting, our original speaker, Mr. D. Creba has had an operation and was unable to talk to us about Minerals of Cornwall. We send our best wishes for his speedy recovery. Mrs. Greenwood, who stepped into the breach, gave a touching talk about Dogs for the Disabled.

What a soft lot we are about our dogs. And don't the doggies know it? But unfortunately it is not the same for all canine pets. Take Shep, a Border Collie, who left on the M6 Motorway by his owners, ran up and down trying to find them until he actually wore the pads off of his paws. Happily Shep was rescued although it was a month before he could walk properly. Now Shep has gone on to become a T.V. star, on Blue Peter no less, and was runner-up in Britain's Best Loved Dog Final.

But more important Shep is a Dog for the Disabled. Anne, Shep's mistress has an electric wheelchair so Shep assists with the chores. He opens doors, takes the washing out of the machine, hangs the washing and picks up anything Anne drops. He carries the shopping basket, loves being petted, and when Anne needs re-assurance in the night is there with a sloppy kiss, a friendly paw and a canine cuddle!

Now stop crying you lot and instead do something more constructive - support the Dogs for the Disabled Charity when you see their collectors, or why not invite them to your next charity event. Mrs. Greenwood will be over-joyed to talk to any organisations about these wonderful dogs and we recommend her to you for it is a heart-warming subject.

The Autumn Group Meeting of the Cornish Federation of WIs at Hendra was crammed with interesting Speakers and the stalls were piled high with bargains. Mrs. S. Goldsworthy was in the chair for the last time and handed over her Chain of Office to her successor Mrs. P. Ward. May we take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Goldsworthy for all her hard work and to wish Mrs. Ward good luck in her new job as County Chairman.

Now what have we to look forward to? The Wadebridge Fatstock Show on the 8th November for starters. Then there is a special WI evening taking place at Kernow Mills on the 7th December. Fancy a visit to Jack and

The Beanstalk at the Theatre Royal, Plymouth, we have the whole Dress Circle booked on the 28th January, 1994. Our own Blisland WI Christmas Dinner is being held at Squire's Restaurant on December 8th and on the 11th December at Truro Cathedral the CFWI will gather in force, families and friends invited, to enjoy a Celebration Service, there will be hymns, readings and carols. The celebration service is in the evening and the Truro Museum Restaurant will remain open until 6pm that night to enable Members to obtain refreshments AND view the WI banners on display in the museum restaurant. OUR Group, St. Petroc's will be represented by the banner of the St. Breward WI. The banners of the seven founder WIs will have pride of place in the cathedral.

It was strange to meet in the afternoon this month but variety is ever the spice of the WI life. The refreshments tasted as good as ever thanks to Mms Richards and J. Runnalls. Our raffle winner was Mrs. J. George, our competition for the prettiest leaf was won by Mrs. I. Willcocks and a beautiful "Lord Bute" geranium scooped the flower competition first for Mrs. V. Gurr. My personal thank you to Mrs. V. King for the lovely birthday posy. Our President Mrs. M. Aspinall can be contacted on Bodmin 851150.

Next month on November 17th at 2.15pm. we have a speaker from the National Rivers Authority, so wear your wellies, remember your jamjars and shrimping nets because there might be free newts!

BLISLAND with TWELLS & ST. BREWARD PARISH MAGAZINE

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Copy for January in EARLY please by 7th December.
May I take this opportunity to wish all readers a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and New Year. My apologies that due to lack of space several articles were omitted this month.

Catherine McShee

ST. BREWARD W.I.

Fourteen members arrived for the first of our afternoon meetings to admire the hats made by Mrs. Buchanan, who is her own best model; several members were almost tempted to purchase after trying on all the different styles amid a chorus of admiration. Hats certainly do create an aura of elegance, so contrary to the modern way of casual dressing. I don't suppose that many hats will be worn to the tree-planting at the Eddystone Road area of the Camel Trail, unless it is waterproof ones! Although some may appear at the evening at Kernow Mills at Trerulefoot on December 7th, and again at our New Year luncheon at Trelawney on January 4th it is unlikely that any will be worn while manning (should that be "womanning"?) our tables on the 27th of November.

The Group meeting at Bodmin Methodist Church hosted by St. Lawrences was particularly poorly attended (only about 40 present) but in discussing this later with other Institutes it may have been due to so much flu going the rounds. Those present were treated to a spirited rendition by Mrs. Patsy Brewer of her poem which won the Blaikley Salver all about the River Fowey - it certainly fired my imagination! In spite of our own small numbers our image was upheld by Mrs. Mavis Metters who won two prizes with her gingerbread and her autumn display. Mrs. Roach, the VCO from Falmouth, was amused by the proposed trip by Bodmin to the St. Austell Brewery - as she remarked that she was used to Institutes going to winetasting etc. but this must surely be a first. There was a ballot for the banner to go to the County Museum at Truro to represent our group and St. Breward's name came out of the hat, so at last we shall have our own banner after several years of waivering, not waving. A suggestion that all Institutes commence each meeting with excercises has been handed down from on high - the reaction to this at a post-group meeting was one of utter disbelief - while the W.I. is trying to attract younger members before we all fall off the twig, this conjures up a vision of an elderly persons' home with its sitting down exercises. If you would like a W.I. diary for £2.25 they are available from our Treasurer, Mrs. Gladys Champion.

The competition for a paper hat was won by Mrs. R. Lowe, and Mrs. M. Shelley showed the best flower this month. Our next meeting will be on December 7th when Mrs. H. Crai- will help us make flower decorations for Christmas, this is in the afternoon so others can still go to Kernow Mills in the evenin-.

BLISLAND W.R.V.S. CLUB

The Harvest Supper held on the evening of Tuesday 19th October was much appreciated by all members and guests. On these occasions the village hall is transformed, with long tables, white tablecloths and floral decorations. The cold buffet of carved ham off the bone, the salads and savoury dishes made a very tempting display. As the club organiser it is my privilege to welcome all guests. Our guest list comprises all those who have either been speakers at our meetings or have entertained us in their homes during the past twelve months. This is the last Harvest Supper I shall be arranging as in June next year I have to retire from being club organiser. Another volunteer is required and the notice shown in the magazine is being displayed around the village hoping to attract someone. The evening was made complete by the entertainment. Again it was delightful to hear the dulcet tones of Pat Francis who sang several popular ballads and well known songs, accompanied by Peter Farthing on keyboard, Terry Hancock on saxophone and Harry Morrish did a very professional imitation of Al Jolson. The club is very grateful to these entertainers who travel from the Rilla Mill, Liskeard area without charge to give us so much enjoyment.

On November 2nd we had the pleasure of a return visit of Mrs. June Eddy who is a very talented amateur photographer in addition to being a farmer's wife. At the commencement we were shown pictures or snipets of places or events and asked to state where or what they were. Quite difficult to spot so we had some amusing answers. We were then given a photographic display of the scenic beautiful westcountry from panoramic views to seas and sunsets. This weeks competition 'A China Ornament' suggested by Miss Pat Nelder and judged by Mrs. Eddy was won by Pat.

Tony Ham

BLISLAND PARISH CHURCH

Blisland Church are pleased to welcome back the Tindelienta Singers who will present a programme of readings and music for Advent on Friday 17th December at 3.00p.m. in the church. Admission free.
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