

Alleluia! Christ IS Risen!

Dear Friends,

The 8th May this year is the historic 80th anniversary of VE (Victory in Europe) Day when the nation will celebrate 80 years since the end of the Second World War in Europe. The 15th August will be the 80th anniversary of VJ (Victory in Japan) Day which marked the final cessation of hostilities when Japan surrendered following the dropping of the US nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

While some of us may feel a little ambivalent about celebrating the dawn of the nuclear age in August, we need have no such qualms about celebrating the defeat of Hitler's Germany which, with its appallingly wicked murder of so many innocent Jewish men, women and children, among so many others, is probably the most evil regime that has ever held sway over a significant part of the globe.

World War II was the largest and most violent military conflict in human history. Official casualty sources estimate military deaths at nearly 15 million and civilian deaths at over 38 million.

VE Day 80 is not only a celebration of the triumph over evil and the restoration of peace in Europe but also a tribute to those who fought for the freedom we enjoy today and to those millions of non-belligerent civilians whose lives were prematurely stolen from them. It is a day of both joyful celebration and solemn remembrance. It is tragically ironic that VE Day 80 falls in the third year of the Russo-Ukrainian war, the largest military conflict in Europe since World War II.

At 9am on 8th May town criers across the nation will make the VE Day Proclamation; at 12noon, pipers will play a new piece, "Celebratum", from the top of the UK's four highest Peaks; at 6.30pm, Church bells will ring out in unified celebration of the return to peace, and at 9.30pm over 1,000 beacons will shine out as many will gather to sing "I Vow To Thee My Country".

Here in our Benefice, we will gather by the war memorial in the churchyard of **St Julitta's, Lanteglos by Camelford** for a brief act of Remembrance at 5.30pm by the war memorial when wreathes will be laid by the Royal British Legion and the Town Council. This will be followed by a special service in church which will conclude as the bells ring out for half an hour at 6.30pm. The celebrations will continue by the bandstand in Camelford later in the evening when a beacon will be lit in conjunction with those being lit across the nation.

There will also be events to mark the occasion at St Teath and Delabole. In **Delabole**, a short time for all in the village to pause, remember and mark the day at 11am. There will be a brief commemoration at the clock tower in **St Teath** at 6.10pm leading up to the ringing of the bells at 6.30pm.

Revd. Jeffrey
Rural Dean & Chaplain to the Royal British Legion, Camelford Branch

Holy Week and Easter were a very special time within the group of churches. Walking through the week with Jesus, as best we could, we shared together in a rich variety of ways.

The Palm Sunday service at St Julitta's Church, with procession of palms, the Passion Play and Holy Communion was a dramatic way to begin the week.



On the **Tuesday**, at St Teath Church, we walked with Jesus, the Stations of the Cross; a touching and meaningful, time of reflection.

Wednesday's Holy Communion at St Adwena's Advent was, likewise, meaningful.

On **Maundy Thursday** we shared together at St John's Church, Delabole. The ministry team gently washed feet [or hands] of those who wished, and then each other's, in a time of service. We shared Holy Communion. The Altar was stripped and then followed the Watch, as scriptures were read and silence held.

The **Good Friday** Walk of Witness started with worship at St Thomas' Camelford; a good-sized group of people and dogs, walked to St Julitta's, pausing regularly to hear readings of Jesus' final journey and pray for Camelford and its people; forty-four hot-cross-buns were given out along the way. At St Julitta's, we closed with worship.



On **Holy Saturday**, The Service of the Light was held in St Thomas Church. Beginning outside with a fire and Scriptures, we then walked through the church and outside, three times; carrying the light. The final time we stayed inside and shared Holy Communion together.

Easter Sunday

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Our Easter celebrations began as we heard, '*He is not here; he is risen*' at 6am in Sunrise Services of Holy Communion at St John's and St Adwena, both followed by breakfast.

Morning services were times of great celebration. At St Teath, with choral communion, the music led by the Breakfast Band. St Julitta's celebrated a service of Holy Communion with baptism. Rev Nicki was most generous in her sprinkling, not just young Isaac with baptismal water, but all in the congregation - a time to remember our own vows!

EASTER...Not a Hopeless End, but an Endless Hope...

Last month's records...

In good news,

This month we were delighted to welcome two youngsters in baptism On Palm Sunday at St John's Church Delabole, Sylvester; and during the Easter Sunday service at St Julitta's, Isaac. Both occasions were times of real joy and thanksgiving.

Sadly, we have marked the death and celebrated the lives of

Mrs Brenda Oliver [Camelford]

Mrs Anne Bracken [St Teath]

Mr Phil Callaway [Delabole]

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

We look forward; events this month include...

Bumps, Babes, Tots and Toys BBT

In **St Johns Church, Delabole**; Thursdays 8th, 15th, & 22nd May; 9.30am to 11.30am. Mums to be, all with babies or tots, come and chat with others; some fabulous toys for the young ones; a story; craft [for those who can] all in a relaxed, calm place.

Just turn up; or ring Rev Nicki Farr on 01840 219376

Donations of children's clothing to The Grace Project can be left in the containers in St John's Delabole, St Teath and St Thomas' Camelford Churches, daily. Details of how to receive items, are available on the postcards in each of the above churches.

Bodminway



In Participation with:



Camelford Health and Well-being Hub.

- **Free** health checks and advice
- By **Registered Nurses**
- At **St. Thomas' Church, Camelford**

Every Tuesday 2pm till 4pm.



The Drop-In Clinic in St Thomas Church, Camelford is held on Tuesday afternoons, 2-4pm to tie in with 4Cs tea & Chat [1st & 3rd Tues] and Stitch, Knit & Craft [2nd & 4th Tues]

St Teath, RHYME, RHYTHM & SONG for babies and toddlers - unfortunately, for reasons out of our control, we have had to pause the Monday morning R&R. There will still be regular craft and other events for children - please look out for details.

BLUEBELLS **At St Julitta's** **Saturday 3rd May**

2.00 - 4.30pm
Afternoon tea & cake sale



Walk the Five Churches!



There will be further details about the **Five Churches Walk [31st May]** part of 'Thy Kingdom Come' celebration, nearer the time

St Thomas' Coffee Morning Saturday 17th May, 10.30 - 12noon; with a cake stall, raffle, sales of jigsaws, bric-a-brac and plants. ALL Welcome

St Thomas' 'Tea & Chat' [4Cs] Tuesday afternoons; 2 - 3.30pm

St Julitta's Monthly Coffee Morning at No. 10 Warrens Field, Friday 9th May; 10.30 - 12noon

Please note the dates of the forthcoming **APCM / ADCMs**.

They are important events in the life of the church, if you are on the electoral role, you are welcome to attend your church's meeting.

[Advent and St John's meetings have been held.]

12 May St Teath APCM 7pm

19 May Lanteglos by Camelford APCM 2pm

May's Services

'Prayer Changes Things' meet every Tuesday morning at 8am, in Camelford Methodist Chapel, for half an hour, to pray for the people and places of Camelford. It will be great if you are able to join in.

Delabole Prayer Walk. A small group meet 9am each Tuesday, and walk the village for an hour, stopping and praying God's blessing over the people and activities. Please contact Nicki for each week's start place.

Morning prayer is said at 9am each Wednesday at St Adwena [ex.14th May] and Friday at Lanteglos

Compline is said at 6pm, at St Adwena each Friday and at St Julitta at 7pm on the second Thursday

Friday 2nd 8.30am - St Julitta - Breakfast Communion [BCP]

Sunday 4th 11am - Family Communion - St Teath
4pm - Songs of Praise with a cuppa and cake - St Thomas
[if sunny we may be outside - please bring a hat or sunscreen if wished]

Thursday 8th VE DAY

11am - Delabole Memorial for a short service

5.30pm - Lanteglos Memorial for wreath laying, followed by a Service in **St Julitta's Church**,

6.30pm the bells will sound out

6.10pm - We remember at **St Teath Memorial**,

6.30pm the bells will be rung

Sunday 11th 9.30am - Morning Worship - St John's
11am - Morning Worship - St Teath
11.15am - Holy Communion [BCP] - St Adwena



Sunday 18th 9.30am - Holy Communion - St Thomas
11am - Holy Communion - St Teath

Thursday 22nd 7pm - A gentle service of Holy Communion & Healing; St Thomas, Camelford

Friday 23rd 3pm - Wesley Celebration Songs of Praise at St Julitta

Sunday 25th 9.30am - Holy Communion; St John's
10am - Breakfast Church with Baptism; St Teath
11.15am - Holy Communion [BCP] St Julitta
7pm - Beacon of Hope; St John's, Delabole

Thursday 29th - **Ascension Day** - a major festival in the Church year
7pm - Holy Communion at St Julitta, Lanteglos

BREAKFAST CHURCH @ ST TEATH



Please come along to share in ...
a tasty breakfast
an informal, relaxed service
Bible story & reflection
activities for children
music & songs
for all ages

**25th
May**

Extra-special this month
as we share in a baptism



breakfast from 9.45am

**EVERYONE
WELCOME!**



Christians in Delabole
welcome everyone to
'Beacon of Hope'
Gathering together in
St John's Church, Delabole

SUNDAY 25th MAY at 7pm

Food - Faith - Friendship

All Welcome

Just turn up or for more information,
please contact
Rev Nicki on revfarr@icloud.com
or 01840 219376 / 07587 001320

It is important to the Ministry Team to be aware when people in our parishes are unwell, have suffered a bereavement or other situation. YOU are the eyes and ears in our communities! Please do pass on details when you hear of them - tho' please ask for permission from the person / family before giving us a 'phone number. Thank you.

We are here to assist; so please keep these contacts handy....

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With best wishes,

Claire

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