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Thank you **Friends of St Dominic Parish Church**
for delivering this newsletter

It's church, Jim, but not as we know it!

Do you remember the world of January 2020? Where you could go for a drink or meal without having to book your space in the pub. Where you could walk into a shop, buy something, then walk straight out? Where to get around people you just had to squeeze past, muttering excuse me? And masks were only ever seen in medical TV dramas? And where you could worship in your local church by walking in, move around without hindrance, mingling with others over coffee afterward, all without sanitiser or mask in sight! I'm very proud of the way our congregations have responded to the challenges of the last months. Alongside many in our villages, they have supported the isolated and those in need, shopping and doing errands. Most amazingly, for churches where technology has not been our strongest area we have evolved a thriving and lively service using Zoom, drawing a regular, weekly congregation of around 55. For the time being we are able to worship in our buildings again, in a limited way. We aren't allowed to sing and must be careful with distancing and how we move around the building, even so, it is good to be together in the same space again. Because of the pandemic, a number of our Ministry Team (those who lead worship) aren't available, which means that we can't operate the full rota we were. Across the seven congregations there are two services every week. An eighth congregation worships online every week, and anyone is welcome to join that too. Our midweek services have also resumed; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in different buildings. Some buildings are open across the week for quiet and private prayer - anyone is welcome to use them in this time. We are able to hold baptisms, funerals and weddings, but with limitations. **We hope to see you at some time ... Blessings ...**
Rev Chris

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The Church continues to be here in these uncertain times for everyone in the Parish, at present there is one or more 'live' Services in St Dominic each month as well as others in the Benefice each week. There is a virtual service via Zoom every Sunday at 10am, and details of this and other information can be found from the website 'the tamar7'. The Church building is now open on Tuesday and Saturday mornings, with particular areas set aside for Private Prayer. A list of the Services will be placed on various boards around the village when they are finalised. The Rector and worship leaders are available if anyone wishes to contact them

October Methodist Church Services

Sun 4th 6pm Ryall

Sun 18th 6pm H/C. Rev'd David Moss

Bible Discovery Group Thursdays at 11am On Zoom

Contact: Rev'd David Moss 01579 383274

Tuesday Club

We hope you are well during these awful times. This is a note simply to let you know that it will not be possible to hold club meetings in the near future due to the latest restrictions. Hopefully, things will improve after Christmas and we look forward to seeing members old and new in 2021

ST. DOMINICK W.I. Open Meeting - MEN TOO!!

Zoom meeting WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER
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Our eyes and ears at the Parish Council meeting

Well this, surprisingly, could be a bit of a muddle, partly because the meetings have been complicated by changing rules, and partly because I've probably forgotten bits. At the end of my last report I said we would see you at the hall the first Wednesday in April, which didn't happen, and I suspect the next time the councillors saw each other was when they had to meet in the recreation field outdoors. I don't know what happened because I didn't go, can't remember why. No inclination probably!

In July we had the first on-line meeting, that was a bit different. The password/code was given out to who ever wanted to participate from the general public and everyone tuned in – or didn't.

Usual thing, no one except Councillor Fry was there. Frantic phone calls were made, the clerk went to councillor Brady's house, the passcode was changed, and eventually everyone except councillors Greene and Wenmoth appeared. Then we heard Councillor Wenmoth and eventually up she popped! This was the main part of the meeting but actually it was quite successful and will be better next time, there wasn't much to discuss. Speeding around the village roads has been dire in lockdown, probably due to lack of other vehicles and concern has been raised particularly about M and S corner again. Councillor Fry is to ask people to let him know about their accidents on that corner to present as evidence to Cornwall Council who are finding it hard to believe there is an issue apparently.

The other item was what's happened to the new post boxes, promised months ago? No one knew, but actually the next day there they were. Or they were, if you knew where to look. They have reappeared in funny places but no one knows why. Then in August there had to be a meeting to agree the accounts, so we were back in the parish hall again, all masked up. The clerk has resigned so we had a very smart man who stood in. Present were Councillors Wilkins, Brady, Fry, Potter and Wenmoth. As per Covid guidelines the windows were open and a gentle evening breeze was wafting through, the rattle of the heating was replaced by clattering blinds, but the business of agreeing the accounts took place accordingly. Someone has cut the chains around the swings, which were there to comply with Covid regulations. This must have taken some effort. Councillor Fry is to mend the piece of play equipment at the school, in between building the shop and doing his near misses and hits list for the corner. Other than that there wasn't much. Councillor Wilkins brought the grass around the footpath signs to everyone's attention, the cost is to be investigated.

The September meeting was in the hall, again with the stand-in clerk with the nice clothes. Councillor Potter said that it was possible the meetings would have to be online again and suggested the Council laptop was taken to be looked at and professionally set up. Present were Councillors Brady, Potter, Totterdell, Fry and Wenmoth. No Councillor Flashman, he's been busy working behind the scenes during isolation I expect.

Councillor Potter had investigated the cost of strimming the grass around the signs and offered to try to find a willing parishioner. Councillors Fry and Brady immediately offered to lend their trimmers, but I don't think that was the idea really. Councillor Fry offered to trim around some posts, that must be after he's built the shop, mended the play equipment and taken names for the accident report. Various footpaths and gate latches need attention and Councillor Fry reported that the footpath at Dilletts has washed out. There is a pothole which he has photographed, with and without his foot in it for size comparison. He said the path has more usage now there is a postbox at the end of it.

The shop are asking for a grant of £500.00 from the Parish Council, which will no doubt be covered elsewhere in this newsletter. Councillor Potter strongly felt that this should be for a specific item. He thought as it was ratepayers' money they would like to know where exactly it was going, so it was agreed it would cover refrigeration units.

The most exciting news though – the two vacancies which have been advertised for ever, have three applicants. After the meeting they were interviewed for these voluntary positions. Results next time. I know all three, they are often to be seen around the parish. I have no preference as everyone will bring different skills. If one of them happens to be a man perhaps he could take up strimming.*

Next meeting the first Wednesday in October, don't know where – watch the Press. If it's online you will need a code to join.

*Sorry, did not mean to be discriminatory – a strong woman would do. A willing person of any shape would be best.

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St Dominick Community Shop

We are aiming for an autumn opening date and, fingers crossed, there will be further news on this over the next few weeks. The transformation of the Shop Cabin continues. View progress via the Community Shop website www.stdominickcommunityshop.co.uk and also on the Shop Facebook page.

By the time this Parish Newsletter is published, hopefully the '**Jumble Ramble**' event on Saturday 26 September will have taken place. A lovely idea for a new type of village event - an outside socially distanced car boot/garage sale to raise funds for the Community Shop. Particularly important at this time given the absence of so many of the regular village social events in the calendar this year. THANKS Carolyn Wilkins for taking the lead in organising this, to all STALL HOLDERS for your work, to EVERYONE for your generous contributions towards the Community Shop, and to the Steering Group members involved in helping out and supporting this event to make it happen.

As you are aware, the Community Shop still needs to raise money in order to meet the costs of opening. The short-term target is to raise a further £4000. The Parish Council have generously provided a grant of £500 which will be put towards for the costs of refrigeration equipment. An application has been made to the Postcode Lottery Community Trust for over £1000 for Volunteer related costs and we will hear about this in early November. In addition to the funds raised from the Jumble Ramble, we do expect to need to raise around a further £1500-£2000 over the next few weeks. The Share Offer is OPEN for anyone who would like to buy Shares - full details are on the website. It is important to think about buying Shares as a Social Investment rather than a financial one. By joining the 130+ other Shareholders, you will have a say in how the Shop is run, including where any future 'surplus' is distributed. If you don't want to become a Shareholder for any reason but you do want to make a financial contribution, then simply make a donation to the Community Shop. Please speak to anyone in the Steering Group if you would like to do this.

The VOLUNTEER ROTA has now been created. THANK YOU to Linda Fry for your excellent work on this. There will be four shifts each day Monday to Saturday and one shift on a Sunday morning. The good news is that we can confirm that the Shop will be able to open every day - which is fantastic. If you would like to become a Shop Volunteer, there are still some spaces on the rota, plus we are looking for a number of people who can be flexible and help to cover or fill in when needed. Please contact Linda Fry on 351177 if you are interested.

We are beginning to think about the need for a **SHOP MANAGER**. This person (or possibly two as a 'job share') will be responsible for stock control, ordering and the general operational procedures for the Shop. Initially this will be a Volunteer role, however we are very positive and hopeful that in time this will become a paid for/employed role. It is likely that this will not be 'full time' and there will be the potential for lots of flexibility about how many hours and how it will work in practice - at least to start with. If anyone has any ideas or thoughts about how this could work and/or wants to find out more, then please contact either Sue Morrish on 350984 or Jo Redgrave on 351007

And finally ... the Community Shop does have its first product to sell - **Daffodil yellow cotton Shopping Bags** bearing the Shop logo. You may have seen these beginning to appear around the village. **Pre-opening prices for bags are £2.50 per bag or two bags for £4** (this price will increase when the Shop opens so this is a short term offer!). Profits go towards the funds needed to open the Shop. If you would like to buy one or even several bags, then please contact Jo Redgrave on 315007

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Jo Totterdell

St Dominic Parish Hall Plant Sale MAY 2021

When tidying up your garden this autumn and dividing perennials or potting on various seedlings, perhaps you could *pot up a few things* for our 2021 plant sale

Thanks to everyone who *provided, purchased or helped* in 2020

Details of the 2021 sale will be published nearer the time (when we know what we are allowed to do!)

Contact Jo on 350656 or Linda on 350556 if you have any questions

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Directory of Local Traders (to be included in future editions email details to ourparishnews@gmail.com)

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