

St Dominick **PARISH NEWS** No 196 Nov 2021

St Dominick Community Shop

This month we have put a leaflet with this Parish News detailing all our up-and-coming promotions and events. Please have a read and then pin it on the fridge door or keep somewhere handy - your continued custom is really appreciated.

Thanks to everybody who was involved and contributed to our half term Spooktacular event. A special thanks to local pumpkin grower Roy Clarke for supplying the pumpkins. More news on the pumpkin carving competition prize winners next month. We look forward to seeing you in the Shop very soon.

Festivities Group

Christmas Tree Lights Switch-on Saturday, 27 November



PLEASE BRING YOUR **OWN MUG** FOR THE MULLED CIDER!

It's our usual get-together but with a bit of a twist.

The evening will start with a peel of bells rung by the Tower Bell ringers at 6pm. Thank you Kevan Borlase and team for this treat. Then, at the Parish Hall at 6.30pm, we hope to have carols sung by Choirs on the stage (thank you Burcombe Haulage for the use of a curtain lorry again) before the lights are switched on by little Madeline Crowther and Lerryn Green.

We are looking forward to a visit from someone special with treats for all the little ones.

Thank you Rick & Sue Whitford for sponsoring this year's tree.

The twist? We will be serving Drew's most delicious mulled cider and mince pies outside as soon as you arrive at 6.30pm.

The refreshments will be enjoyed outside as you listen to the choir and watch the lights go on.

The mulled cider and mince pies are all FREE.

*Don't forget to bring your **OWN MUG** for the mulled cider!*



Advent Bags – Items for the Foodbank

It's that time of year again when our thoughts turn towards Christmas and giving to others. The Advent Bags are placed in the Church windows, one for every day of Advent leading up to Christmas Eve. Organisations in the village fill a bag, putting them on their designated window on a specific day.

The last couple of years' donations of toiletries and household cleaning products have been collected for the Callington Foodbank. This year more than ever, the Foodbank will be very grateful for us to do the same again. If your organisation wants to donate more than the small bags can hold, any extra items can be left in the box at the back of the church and will be delivered to the Foodbank before Christmas. The Advent Bag contents will be delivered as soon after Christmas as possible. Each year we have collected more than 500 items. Please give generously as so many more people need our help this year. We thank you on behalf of the Festivities Committee and the Friends of St Dominick Church.

Apologies if your contribution is not exactly as submitted this month. It was a struggle to fit everything in. Several articles were altered to create space, rather than excluding anything or using a smaller font size.

Friends of St Dominick Church

Annual Coffee Morning on Saturday, 20 November at BEECH HAVEN (next to the church) 10-12.30

Each year we hold a coffee morning to raise funds and to provide a donation to Cornwall Historic Churches Trust, which has given grants in the past for major works to the church. We like to acknowledge this with a yearly donation.

Whether you are a regular churchgoer or not the church always plays an important role in village life providing Christenings, Weddings and Funerals and a place of quiet and tranquillity when needed.

St Dominick church has stood in the village for 800 years and there is a responsibility to keep it in good order. Please help support this beautiful part of our shared heritage.

The entrance fee is £3 providing tea or coffee with refills and a help yourself buffet of cake and biscuits. There will also be a Raffle, Bring and Buy table and Christmas and other cards sold in aid of the Handbell Ringers. A warm welcome is extended to all. We hope to see you there.

Remembrance Sunday

There will be a Civic Service in the Parish Church at 10.50am on Sunday 14 November. The names of the deceased in the 1st and 2nd World Wars will be read out from the War Memorial inside the Church. Parish organisations will lay wreaths and place poppy crosses by the Memorial.

If your organisation would like to be involved, please contact the Parish Clerk (details are found at the foot of the page 3 of this newsletter)

St Dominic Church

Christmas Craft Fair 4th - 6th November

Come and buy your Christmas presents from local stallholders, you will not have to travel far and there should be a plentiful supply of goods. There will be some new stalls as well as some old favourites. The Church will be open from 11am each day and shut at 6pm on Thursday and Friday and 5pm on Saturday. Light refreshments will be available until around 4pm each day. We are looking forward to welcoming you all after so long.

BED & BREAKFAST

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01579 350894

www.higherchapel farm.co.uk

higherchapel farm1@gmail.com

Recycling for Charity project updates

Our local promotional talks are working.

Unbelievable 462 kg of snack packaging collected will be made into new products - raising funds for Kicks Count charity who aim to reduce UK still-births.

Car full of CD's & DVD's sent to Animal Free Research.

Pet Food programme is closed (take pet pouches etc at TESCO and recycle with carrier bags etc)

We now accept Warburton's waxy bread bags and packaging from other bread products

We'll be outside Parish Hall **Wed 3 Nov** (10 – 10.30am)

Free "Walks and Talk in the Tamar Valley" this month

- join in with as many as you like

- great opportunity to get out and about regularly

- meet new people.

Mondays - Saltash Walk & Talk

Tuesdays/Thursdays - Tamar & Bere Walks

Wednesdays - Tamar Valley Walk & Talk

See <https://www.tamarvalley.org.uk/explore/walking/>

Funding opportunities for local communities

Between £1,000 and £10,000 of National Lottery funding is being offered to support communities across the UK to take action on climate change.

Projects should reflect what matters to our community and can be small scale, for example food, transport, energy, waste, natural environment.

But you must apply by 18 November 2021.

Details found here ...

<https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/funding/programmes/together-for-our-planet>

BEWARE – fake NHS Covid-19 test text

It looks genuine but do not click on the link if you receive a text like this:

You have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19.

You must order a PCR kit here:

<https://nhs-pcrtestkit.com>

Thank you so much to everyone who supported **St Dominic Slimming Club** who hosted a successful afternoon tea party all proceeds in aid of Diabetes U.K. A delicious afternoon tea, a grand raffle with various stalls raised over £570.

Thank you **Parish Hall Committee** for organising last month's *Pasty and Pud* lunch. We all had a great time wolfing down those delicious puddings. We are looking forward to next year already.

Thank you **Sam Rayner** and **Gill Bower** – your bus shelter war remembrance makeover is much appreciated.

The Tuesday Club will reconvene on Tuesday 1st February 2022 at 2.30pm in the Parish Hall.

AGM will take place including any relevant business and a discussion on the future of the club.

Afternoon Tea with Birthday Cake will celebrate our 18 years of successful, friendly, informative and musical meetings.

Members old and new will be very welcome to attend.

It's been raining goals at St Dominic Football Club

In their last 5 games the 2nd Team have scored 40 goals and the 1st Team 30 goals. Blimey! Well done The Doms.

(this observation was made on 16 October)



St Dominick Advent Window Trail

Would you like to take part in our now traditional advent window trail which was great fun last Christmas? All that's required is to decorate and illuminate one of your windows. Windows will be illuminated in turn (like an advent calendar) late afternoon/ early evening during December. The theme is still to be finalised but *Twelve Days of Christmas* is looking popular.

The Trail is being organised by us at the Who'd Have Thought It. It's something safe and festive for all to enjoy over the Christmas holidays and maybe raise a little money.

There are lots of ideas out there on the internet. Here's one link to help the inspiration flow:

<https://broadwindsor.org/take-part-in-an-advent-window.../>
The Who'd will be the Christmas Eve window, illuminated at 5pm on the 24th with some mulled cider and mince pies outside the pub as a Christmas treat for the village - and hopefully a visit from a certain special someone.

The Map of the Trail will be in the next Parish News.

To find out more, create a window, or suggest ideas, please email whodystdominicks@yahoo.com

Advent Window Participants – please come along to the Who'd at 9pm on Monday 8 November to discuss everything.

Team Whod x

From our roving reporter at Parish Council meeting

Here we were again in the hall, every Councillor except Wayne who had to give apologies at the last minute and also six members of the public. No Andrew Long, last month he missed as he didn't get the agenda and must have forgotten it was the first Wednesday in the month.

We started on the dot of 7pm with a lecture from the chairman concerning the long agenda - no repetition and keep to the point!

First was the Sunningdale detailed Planning which is online and you have all seen. Guess what, the clerk had it up on a screen! The Chairman gave his thoughts which were that the houses are large and the one on the corner was very high. The AONB were also not happy with the visual impact. He said others might have their own opinions, but they didn't really. (Councillor Wenmoth declared an interest and had already left the room). So, he said it again – repetition- no real response so he proposed a motion to refuse on those grounds and Councillor Shannon seconded it. Passed the motion with one abstention, Councillor Fry who hadn't decided. Back to the drawing board a bit.

Then four members of the public went home.

The defibrillator at the pub is still missing. The firm have said they are waiting for the wood for a backing board. (Don't write in and say surely someone's got some wood, because the firm also took away the defibrillator itself). The one at the phone box has been checked and is running satisfactorily. (Well, it was at the meeting, bit of a hiccup since but alright again now).

The Council are supposed to point out areas where they would like a 20mph limit. They are to meet the highways man to discuss this, also to see if this is a 30 reduced to a 20 or a 20 on its own which could be difficult. Meeting to be arranged.

Maintenance of the field, Councillor Potter and Parishioner Crago have put down matting and started to fill in the pit under the end of the slide but ran out of pegs (now finished). The assault course still has a "start" but no "finish". The regular inspection by Councillors Shannon and Heslop had thrown up several faults which were in hand. The Ash tree had been inspected by the National Trust and reported to be safe at the moment. Apparently they need to have half of their leaves by midsummer and this one did. Re the brambles, Councillor Potter said they were as thick as your arm and 6ft high (1.83m for any younger readers). Now, a long story. The National Trust want £4,500 from the Parish council for a water bill regarding Fursdon Allotments. These, if you remember, are rented by the Parish council from the National Trust and sub let to various people. They used to be Market Gardens but have various agriculture related uses now. The Council have never paid the bill. After investigation it has transpired that there used to be 12-18 people gardening there. After the war some gave up and some swapped pieces of ground, just as in mediaeval times, to consolidate their areas, rest the ground etc.

So they still worked the same amount, but might be in a slightly different place. The water came from butts, wells and boreholes, this was enough as the growing was all outdoors.

Two now use water from a meter, which is all paid for. One day the Water Board, or similar, came along to update the meters for some reason. They found two, one used, one unused and turned the water on at this meter. Eventually, where there happened to be a natural spring, a ponded area developed which ran into the road. The pipe didn't go anywhere. This is not confidential, everyone knew about it. The Council say they are not paying the bill and that's that! (Some details might be a bit sketchy but that's the run of it). The rest of the meeting was about protocol and financial columns. Last Christmas they had to guess what the yearly expenditure might be and put it into columns on a spreadsheet.

Councillor Cox has put hours into a grant application for a notice board to be shared with the Parish Hall, and it's been turned down. For some reason I think grants could be in short supply. They decided they could proceed themselves and pay up, after liaising with the Parish Hall. But NO, they couldn't do that because there wasn't enough in the Capital Expenditure column.

This took a long time then we went on to payment of invoices, and a Councillor pointed out that NO couldn't pay because the grass cutting allocation had reached its limit. And another one I've forgotten. It went on and on, talking about moving money from one column to another and the possibility of moving it back or moving more over. One more member of the public went home. It was bedtime and still the column conversation continued. The clerk apologised as he had entered 13p twice, that was the most interesting bit. The last member of the public went home. Then the Chairman told people they had to set their budget for next year soon and to think about it. The Queen's Jubilee would cost something. Someone asked how much money was left this year, would it be enough until April and was told there was an underspend of £8,000, although the school playground would cost quite a lot and the work was behind. What are they allowed to spend it on – who knows? The council is still two councillors short – see below

The remembrance service is at the Parish church on Sunday 14 November, everyone welcome – see front page

NEXT MEETING 3rd November, Parish Hall, 7pm

Would you like to volunteer as a Parish Councillor?

For more information or to apply please contact the Clerk, Jim Candy 01752 852155
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Email: clerk@stdominicpc.org.uk
Parish Council website: www.stdominicpc.org.uk

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Any other advertisements: by negotiation

Advertisements to be paid for in advance.

Advert withdrawn if payment is not made within 30 days

Our submission deadline is 15th of previous month

Valerie Gill manages **Diary Events** Tel 351927 valerie.gill@icloud.com

Please email **Newsletter Articles** to ourparishnews@gmail.com

(or put in the box at the Community Shop)

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