

# Saltash Team Newsletter

"Discovering God's Kingdom, Growing the Church"

## **News, Events & Acknowledgements at** **St. Stephen's Church**

To begin, we all owe an acknowledgement and sincere thanks to all who helped and supported at any of our events in October.

The amounts raised are as follows:

Salvation Army Band Concert - £250.85,

Table Top and Food Market - £511.69.



In addition, we also held a very successful Harvest Supper and the

and the first visit of Café Abundance to our Church which was hugely successful and are working on a return visit.

**November Fair at St Stephen's Church**  
**Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> November from 10 am to 2pm**

A multitude of things are on offer such as Handicrafts, Cakes, Bric A Brac, Festive Tombola, Books, Hoopla, Diaries, Stationery, Christmas Raffle, Activity Books, Greetings Cards, New Gifts and much much more.

In addition, Fund raising stalls for the Mothers Union will also be present.

Refreshments including seasonal treats and light lunches including Baked Potatoes will be served throughout. Free Entry.

Please note a two minute silence will be held at 11am for Remembrance Day.

Meanwhile....**HELP Please!**

If you can support our event by supplying a Raffle Prize, a Cake for Refreshments or Cake Stall, any help on the day or maybe you have some Bric A Brac laying around that you could donate then please contact Steve Hookway (07855 600241) . All help is appreciated and welcomed.

**Christmas Shopping Evening**  
**Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm to 9pm**

After last year's great success we are holding another Christmas Shopping Evening. 16 traders will be present including favorites:- Tikityboo Soaps and Bath Bombs, Luminosity Art, Scarf Ace and Julie Turner Cakes.

Refreshments will be available including Hot Pork Rolls and Soup. Ocean City Sound are returning to sing Christmas Carols and Songs across the evening to get you in the festive mood. As usual our fund-raising stalls will be out in force too. For further information on whose attending please pick up a leaflet at the back of our Church or check out our website [www.saltashteamministry.org](http://www.saltashteamministry.org)

**Tamar Valley Male Voice Choir - Christmas Concert -**

**Tickets £5 Each**

**Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> December - Doors Open 6.45pm for 7.30pm Start**

These guys really know how to put on a Christmas Concert. Tickets are available now following Sunday morning services from Steve Hookway/Roger Rowse or Wednesday Morning Services from John Petherbridge. In addition, you can purchase from Piglets on Fore Street or pay on the night.



**BATH CHRISTMAS SHOPPER**

**THURSDAY the 16th NOVEMBER - £16 per person**

We are running a coach trip to Bath, leaving from outside St. Stephen's Church at 8am and arriving in Bath at Mid-day approx. You then can do as you please before the coach leaves at 5pm returning back to Saltash at 8.30pm approx.

Comfort stops on both journeys.

To book your seat contact Steve Hookway on 07855 600241

Or email [stevenhookway@hotmail.com](mailto:stevenhookway@hotmail.com)

Payment up front please.

Bath has a wonderful range of shops, from high street stores, designer brands and independent boutiques, there is something for everybody.

**Perfect for some Christmas Shopping.**

Bath is also home to the historic roman baths and the Jane Austen Centre, as well as many other attractions suitable for all the family.

## Reminder

As mentioned in the October Newsletter the

### **1. UNIVERSAL CREDIT ROLL OUT**

is now due to roll out in Cornwall across three phases and will effect the lives of many on marginal incomes in our community.

In the East it will roll out in December. Any new claims or people changing circumstances will go on UC and they will have to wait 5 to 6 weeks for their benefit. The concern is that the added strain of this happening over Xmas will push people into hardship and debt - potentially to unregulated money lenders. The obvious solution would be for DWP to narrow the gap between a claim and the benefit becoming available. It is projected that around 174 households across the east will be affected.

We are trying to get ahead of this to mitigate as much as we can. We've booked to spend time in each of the Job Centres to get a feel for their area and where we might be able to encourage groups and Agencies to sign up as crisis fund holders and ACTS advocates. We are talking to Cornwall Council to see if/what they can offer in the way of a crisis and care award to these households. We are also going to talk to the Food Banks in the East to prepare them for a potentially increased demand and work with local supermarkets, etc. to increase supplies.

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### **2. An Invitation for a Personal Pilgrimage to a Benedictine**

**Monastery in Brittany.** The Abbaye of Landevennec along with other Ecumenical Pilgrims and Cornish Church Leaders. Dates for next Pilgrimage - 22<sup>nd</sup> April to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018

**3.** Cathy says that in the New Year there is a launch of a "Discipleship" course – to help us all explore what it really means to be a Disciple of Christ. I do know that the material has had a profound effect on those who are already following the course, so please do look out for further details – you never know – you could be the person who can literally change the world – but you need to take that first step. As John Ortberg said "If you want to walk on water you've got to get out of the boat"!

**PLAY READINGS** - these have been going very well with a small band of people coming along. If you would like to come along and take part, even if it is only for the reading you would be very welcome. Our next reading is on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 p.m. SS Nicholas and Faith Church Rooms. We are hoping to do a one act play followed by supper and perhaps some musical entertainment to conclude the evening. Further details can be obtained from Margaret Evans 01752 844141.

**SS NICHOLAS AND FAITH SOCIAL COMMITTEE** - plans for our 11<sup>th</sup> Christmas Tree Festival are now well underway. The setting up of the trees will take place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. The Festival will commence at 10 a.m. on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, the opening times for that day will be 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., yes our long day will be the first Saturday this year and not the second owing to the Town Carol Service being on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bacon Butties etc., will be available throughout the morning, with cream teas etc in the afternoon, and of course the usual mulled wine and shortbread in the evening. Monday – Friday the Church will be open from 2 – 6 p.m. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> 10 – 4 p.m. Please see posters for further opening times i.e. Sunday opening times. Burraton Boys, will be singing in Church on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December, and hopefully the Hand Bell Ringers, will be coming, and Brunel harmony Chorus will be singing. The take down of the trees will be Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 10 a.m. – 12 noon.

**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** - there will be a soup and sandwich lunch in the hall from 11a.m. – 2 p.m.

**PIG RACING EVENING** - By the time you read this we will have held our Pig Racing evening. Despite the inclement weather the Evening was a great success with racing and entertainment. Bets were placed on the seven pink pigs with half the proceeds going to the church and the other half to the person who placed the bet. A pasty supper followed by a selection of cakes was held at half time. All too soon it was time for the raffle and last race after which the pigs were auctioned off. A profit of over £500 was raised towards window fund or our hall. We would also like to express our thanks to all those who sponsored a race. Here's to the next time!!!!

**Please send your articles to: [saltashparishnewsletter@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:saltashparishnewsletter@hotmail.co.uk) or pop it in to the Team Office by 20<sup>th</sup> November.**

Office. **Deadline 20<sup>th</sup> October.**