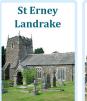
# Saltash Area Newsletter

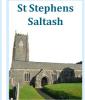
July and August 2019











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#### July/August Regular Events

Mondays
1, 15 July
5, 19 August
2-3.30pm
St Stephen's Church
Craft and Conversation

Mondays 8 July, 12 August 7-9pm St Stephen's Church M.O.S.S.A.F Meeting of Men Of St Stephens And Friends

#### Tuesdays 20 August

9.30am St Stephen's Church Tea and Toast

#### Thursday 18 July

7.30pm St Stephen's Church Ladies Group

#### Fridays 19 July, 16 August

Noon S.T.A.R.T Group

#### Saturday 20 July

3pm St Stephen's Church Messy Church Sports and a picnic



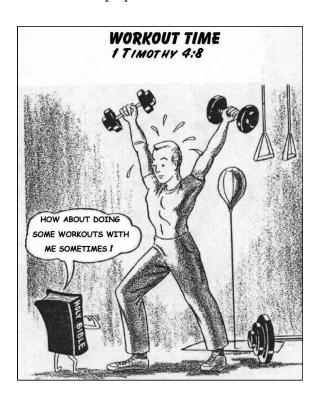
### **Spiritual Training**

Dear Friends,

So as we head for the summer holidays and perhaps the beach, how spiritually fit are you?

Gyms are communities dedicated to helping people acquire physical health and fitness. You go to a gym to learn a set of exercises that will help you develop a more attractive, healthier, fitter body. There is of course, a cost involved. It costs money, time and effort. Yet people do it. 800,000 people a year join gyms, if we believe the statistics. Of course, many don't actually go (apparently Britons waste £37m per year on unused gym memberships and slimming classes!) but we still believe the narrative.

In January alone, and it's not hard to understand why, after the turkey, Christmas pud, chocolate and mince pies have done their worst, it is estimated that around 100,000 people join gyms. Many also head for the gym hoping or praying to lose an inch or three in preparation for the beach.



#### July/August Special Events

#### **July and August**

St Nicholas & St Faith Church Spotlight on Youth Exhibition (see page 4 for opening times)

#### Saturday 6 July

10.30am – 2.30pm St Stephen's Church and grounds Summer Fair (see page 6)

#### Saturday 13 July

2-4pm St Mary's Church Hall Cream Tea

#### Saturday 27 July

7pm St Mary's Church Hall BBQ

#### Saturdays 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 August

10am – 2pm SSNF Church Rooms All Day Breakfast

#### Sunday 18 August

3.30pm
The Rectory
(St Stephen's, if wet)
Bring and Share
Afternoon Tea,
followed by Compline

# SERVICES SUNDAYS

#### St Stephen's

8am Holy Communion 7 July, 4 August

10am All Age Service

7 July, 4 August

Holy Communion 14, 21, 28 July 11, 25 August

6.30pm Evensong

14, 21, 28 July 11, 18, 25 August

#### St Nicholas & St Faith

8am Holy Communion

21 July, 18 August

10am Holy Communion

every Sunday in July and August

#### St Michael, Landrake

9.30am Family Service 7 July, 4 August

Holy Communion 14, 21, 28 July 11, 18, 25 August

#### St Mary, Botus Fleming

11.15am Family Service 7 July, 4 August

Holy Communion 14, 28 July, 11, 25 August

Morning Prayer 21 July, 18 August

#### St Erney, Landrake

11.15am Morning Prayer

2 July, 4 August

Holy Communion 21 July, 18 August

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

#### St Stephen's

10.30am Holy Communion

The keep fit – or perhaps it should be called the get fit industry – has it well worked out. Images of the perfect body, whether male or female, can be seen in magazines and TV adverts trying to tempt the readers to try the latest gimmick to get our bodies into the same perfect state.

Gyms offer the prospect of change, of personal transformation, of the opportunity to do what one could not do before and it is sold in the adverts on TV and in magazines that life will undoubtedly be enhanced and enriched. And many will pay the price, financial, physical and mental to get such transformation.

Churches are the equivalent of gyms for the health and fitness of our spiritual welfare. The early church often used athletic metaphors for the spiritual life. 1 Tim:4 speaks about 'training yourself in godliness', 1 Cor 9: 24-27 compares Christians to athletes who 'go into strict training' and the early Christian monks were often referred to as spiritual gymnasts, with their feats of fasting and endurance. In other words, the early churches saw themselves as gyms do today – communities focused on enabling personal transformation, only this time spiritual, rather than physical. Just as a physically fit person can do things a physically unfit person can't, the same is true spiritually: spiritually fit people can forgive when they are wronged, tithe their income when they have little to spare, keep their temper when provoked and turn the other cheek!

In Jesus Christ, we have seen an image of the perfect soul. This role model may not be featured in OK Magazine or appear on the catwalk, but Jesus does walk with us each and every day. You don't have to be a Christian to realise that life tends to work better if you and those around you strive towards acquiring the qualities we see in Christ – those of patience, kindness, generosity, love, humility and forgiveness.

Just imagine what life would be like if everyone practiced these 'spiritual exercises' every day and if these became the habitual reactions to adversity and life in general? So how spiritually fit are you? Whether you are walking on the moors or sitting on the beach, just remember that Christ is there with you – and give thanks.

Wishing you all happy and spiritually fit summer holidays, Yours in Christ, Cathy

#### Servers' Guild Meetings

Tue 2 Jul, 7.30pm Guild Office and AGM at St Maurice Church, Plympton

Sat 3 Aug, 3pm BBQ at 53 Windermere Crescent, Plymouth

Tue 3 Sep, 7.30pm Guild Office at St Francis Church, Honicknowle

Tue 1 Oct, 7.30pm Quiet Evening at St Stephen's Church, Saltash

Tue 5 Nov, 7.30pm Requiem Mass at St Francis Church, Honicknowle

Tue 3 Dec, 7.30pm Advent Carols at St John the Evangelist, Plymouth

#### **Recent Events**

#### **Messy Church**



#### 'Water, Water, Everywhere'

The theme at Messy Church this month was 'God's Gift of Water'. Cakes to decorate with palm trees, walking



camels, and boats made from junk boxes kept parents and children busy.

There was water to be collected from outside the church to make the ship wreck boat rise to the top of the tank and fish to be caught to provide the answers to Bible quotes.

Colouring fish and trees, to decorate the board which showed the cycle of water in

the world, meant our visitors were entertained and educated about God's

wonderful gift.

The Rev'd Cathy lead the service, and the team in the kitchen provided a great spread for tea.

On the 20th of July we shall hold our summer picnic and sports afternoon in Saint Stephen's Churchyard.

Thanks again to all involved in making Messy Church a success.

If you would like to be involved please see Sandra Mckee.

#### **Mothers' Union**

On a very cold June day, Chairman Sandra opened the meeting by lighting the Mothers' Union Candle and welcoming everybody. The prayers were said by Margaret Gwynn. The meeting was well attended with one guest.



Looking ahead to the summer, several groups in Cornwall have organised

events. St Stephen's Mothers' Union have a stall in July to support our church at the 'Summer Fair'.

Looking forward to our next meeting in July, we will be visiting with a talk, at St Martin's Church Liskeard. We have invited guests to join us and have organised lunch at the 'Lord Elliot.

Sandra welcomed our guest speaker Andy from 'Livewire' in Saltash. Really we didn't know much about Livewire perhaps only that they played a lot of music. But Andy a youth worker of 29 years gave us an insight that the music plays an important part of the work they do. We forget that the youth of today have many other problems, home life, not fitting in, self harming as well as mental problems that music has provided a good opener for them. They have a chance to learn to play an instrument or some just like to be in safe company. Funding is a constant worry with Saltash Council reducing their donation. But they do have help from many well known musicians and have had groups meetings with them. After Andy had answered questions Sandra thanked him and a donation to 'Livewire' was given.

Sandra closed the meeting and tea and slices of sponge made by member Janice were enjoyed.

On September 7th we are holding our 'Cream Tea' again, tickets will be available nearer the date.

# St Nicholas and St Faith Potatoes and Puds

Our Christian Aid event on 16th June was extremely well attended. Fillings for the potatoes were Chilli, Spicy Sausage, Coronation Chicken, Tuna and Sweetcorn, Baked Beans and Cheese. Our result was £130 for Christian Aid.

#### **Recent Events continued**

#### St Stephen's Fundraising Stalls

During June, St Stephen's Church Fundraising
Team attended Big 'n' Bouncy at Warfelton Field,
Menheniot's Cherry Fayre and Saltash Regatta. A
good time was enjoyed at all events. It was fantastic
to see so many children having a great time at the
Big 'n' Bouncy event organised by Saltash Lions. At
Menheniot we were treated to a musical background
of a fairground organ and Kernow Samba band as
this delightful community event took place. We were
supported at Saltash Regatta by so many familiar faces
which helped us have bumper sales of over £400.



Some of the team pictured with Town Mayor Gloria Challen

#### Men of St Stephens and Friends



We had another enjoyable evening at the June MOSSAF meeting. The Rev'd Prebendary Robert Harris of St Mary's Plympton, gave us a talk on his life and his induction to the ministry, in his early 20s.

He spoke of the many parishes he had been appointed to, including Portsmouth, Clevedon, Felpham, Hove and Ilfracombe before being headhunted for his current parish. He also spoke of how his ancestors had been missionaries in China during the Sino/Japanese wars, before being forced to leave by the Communist takeover.

Our next meeting is on Monday 8 July when we will be visiting St Martin's Church, Liskeard for a guided tour by Churchwarden Tony Piper to view its modernisation. If interested, please meet outside St Martins at 7pm or contact Steve Hookway to arrange transport. In August, we meet in Church on Monday 12 August at 7pm for a talk by the Rural Dean Rev'd Chris Painter.

# St Nicholas and St Faith Summer Exhibition inside the Church



#### **Exhibitors include:**

- Bishop CornishSchool & Pre School
- SS Nicholas and Faith Pre School
- St Stephens early learning centre
- Pixie Land Nursery

- Burraton School
- Guide Movement including Brownies
   & Rainbows
- Live Wire
- Essa Drama
- Flying Start Nursery

### **In July and August**

Wednesdays and Fridays 2pm to 4pm

### **In August**

Saturdays 3, 24 and 31 10am to 4pm

Saturdays 10 and 17

Combine your Saturday vist with an all-day breakfast in the Church Rooms (10am to 2pm)

#### What's On

#### St Stephen's Summer Fair Saturday 6 July, 10.30am to 2.30pm

Another great event is planned with a good mixture of our fundraising stalls and traders plus entertainment from Burraton Boys, Just Voices, Brunel School Choir, Halfway Harmony and Saltash Town Band. Refreshments including light lunches are also available.

A fundraising event not to be missed. (See page 6 for full details).

# The Pelynt Male Choir & Millpool Chorale Choir

St Stephen's Church Friday 12 July 7.30pm start

We welcome both choirs to our Church for a joint concert for another great night of entertainment as songs such as *It don't mean a thing (if it ain't got that swing), With cat-like tread* (Pirates of Penzance) and *The shoop shoop song* (made famous by Cher) are among those to be sang.

#### **The Pelynt Choir**

The choir started up on 4 October 1966 when a group of young men started singing a little more seriously following their participation in the village charity concert. Some of the founder members are still with the choir and just as young at heart!



#### **Millpool Chorale**

The choir was formed in 1994 to sing at special services at Millpool Methodist Church, a little chapel on the edge of Bodmin Moor.

The choir was soon receiving invitations to sing at venues all over the county and on occasions into Devon.



Tickets costing £5 each are available now from Roger Rowse and John Petherbridge or you can purchase from Piglets, or our Stationery Stall at our Summer Fair or, of course, on the night. Doors open 6.45pm for the 7.30pm start.

#### Cream Tea St Mary's Church Hall Saturday 13 July, 2-4pm



Come along and enjoy a delicious cream tea at St Mary's. There will also be a raffle.

# BBQ St Mary's Church Hall Grounds Saturday 27 July, 7pm

£5 includes a burger or hot dog with various side salads.
Additional burgers and hot dogs can be purchased if available.

All Day Breakfast
St Nicholas & St Faith
Church Rooms
August Saturdays
10am – 2pm



What better way is there to spend a Saturday morning than having a fantastic breakfast cooked for you?

Every Saturday in August from 10am, last orders 1.30pm.

# Spotlight on Youth St Nicholas & St Faith Church July and August



St Nicholas and St Faith's summer exhibition. See page 4 for opening times.

# Bring & Share Afternoon Tea The Rectory Sunday 18 August, 3.30pm



Bring and share afternoon tea at The Rectory followed by compline.

Please bring a chair with you. If it's raining we will meet in St Stephens Church.

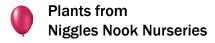




Church Fundraising Stalls:
Cake 'n' Bakes, New Books,
Handicrafts, Cards,
Stationery & Bric a Brac

Jewellery & Accessories:
Nicky Glow Beads
Scattybun

Food Traders:
Al's Taste of Home
Cornish Gouda Co
Saltash Bakery
Sunningdale Nurseries
(Soft Fruit & Veg)



Cornish Gifts from Everything Cornish

Lydia's face painting and glitter/henna tattoos

Grand Raffle, Tombola, Coconut Shy, Hoopla & Pick a Stick

Charity Stalls: Saltash Lions,
Saltash Town Band and Charity
Crafters supporting Alzheimers

Plus much more!

#### **Entertainment**

#### **Inside the Church**

10.45am - 11.30am Burraton Boys

11.45am - 12.15pm Just Voices of Looe

12.30pm – 1.10pm Halfway Harmony

1.30pm - 2.15pm Brunel School Choir

#### In the Church Grounds

10.50am - 11.30am Halfway Harmony
11.45am - 12.30pm Saltash Town Band
12.45pm - 1.15pm Just Voices of Looe
1.30pm - 2.15pm Saltash Town Band



#### Saltash Great War Commemorative Events











#### **Events and Projects**

Over the past 18 months the Committee have organised events and projects to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the end of the Great War, which has involved many hundreds of individuals in the Saltash Community, clubs and organisations. Over 25 projects have been completed, with arguably, Saltash through the Great War Committee, leading the way with the largest events programme in Cornwall and possibly in the Country.

The events have included:

- Community WWI pebbles painting acknowledging the 140 men from Saltash or associated with Saltash that died in the Great War.
- Installation of the Silent Soldier in the Saltash Memorial Peace Garden.
- Community creation of 17 poppy carpets with over 60,000 poppies entwined into hessian.
- WW1 films and WW1 sing-a-longs.
- Installation of memorial plaques and pictorial boards of Troops leaving Saltash in 1914 to fight on the Western Front.
- Hands across the River Tamar and re-enactments.
- Displays of Perspex Soldiers placed in Church Pews in Churches around Saltash.
- Creation of WWI Anthology of poetry and prose by school children and community members (both sides of the River Tamar).



The Committee's work will continue with the installation of another WWI plaque and pictorial board at Wearde, Saltash, where 5,000 Troops were stationed and trained in preparation for their perilous journey to the Western Front. Dozens of them that survived came back to Wearde to recuperate (see photos on the left). This event will include a re-enactment with a dramatic and musical performance to mark what happened at the Wearde Camp at that time. Saltash.net School and many hundreds of houses are built on that historic site now.

For further details of the planned events and schedules please contact Sue Hooper 01752 843073 or Lynn Marsh 01752 844255.

