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Week beginning 11th July 2021 : Travelling light DIARY OF EVENTS FOR WEEK Sunday July 11th : Travelling light

10.30am: Worship : St Mary Pz , Paul and Newlyn in Church Sunday from Home : Penlee Cluster website 6pm: Julian Prayer group: zoom

Monday 12th

10.30am: Soups Support group : St Mary And shoe box creation for holiday clubs

Tuesday 13th

10am: Holiday club planning session : St Mary 7pm : Worship leader training and preparation group. St Mary PZ..and starting with café stle worship

Wed 14th

9am : 1662 Communion @ Paul 9am: School Worship : St Mary PZ 10am: coffee and cakes @ Paul car park 11am: Keep fit session: St Mary PZ 11am: Communion : St Peter Newlyn 6pm : Wisdom Group: Zoom

Thursday 15th

10.30 am : Communion : St Mary PZ 11.30 am: Reflection group: St Mary PZ 5pm : Recording of zoom worship

Friday 16th

10.30: relaxation and meditation group:St Mary
10am: : wisdom group via zoom :
11.30am: poetry group: St Mary PZ
3pm : Cornish Cream Teas : St Peter Newlyn
Sat : 17th: 3pm Wedding :Tom and Beth

Sunday 18th July: Relaxation and restoration 10.30am: Worship : St Mary Pz , Paul and Newlyn in Church Sunday from Home : Penlee Cluster website

After worship Refreshments and fellowship : at tables in churches 6pm : Julian Group : Zoom

PAUL LUNCHEON CLUB

ST MARY'S SCHOOL

12тн — 16тн;

ON SCREEN AT ST MARY'S 10am-3pm :

07782647089: SIAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

ON LINE : MORNING / NIGHT PRAYER

8am: each weekday morning

9pm: each evening

WISDOM GROUPS..(final week)

Our reflection and study groups are a very important part of our Christian life here in Penlee cluster. Through these small group meetings we try to link our faith to our everyday life. These groups also provide materials and thoughts for worship on a Sunday.

The groups will now have a summer break and will come back refreshed in September. You might consider joining a group in the Autumn

July 19th at 6pm

Quiet Garden at Paul

Crowning of the May Queen and Maypole Dancing

CORNISH CREAM TEA St Peter Church Newlyn Each

Friday: 3pm-5pm

Cost £3

St Peter's Newlyn

E-<u>WAVES PROJECT</u>

WISDOM GROUPS: Mark 6.30-34, 53-end

30 The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognised them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and <u>he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd</u>; and he began to teach them many things.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognised him,⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The selected verses for the Gospel reading for Sunday 18th July begin with an account of the disciples' return after they had been previously sent out by Jesus (Mark 6:6-13), and the traumatic account of John's beheading (Mark 6:14-29). Excluding the account of the "Feeding of the Five Thousand", the incident when Jesus walked on the water and the traumatic account of the beheading of John the Baptist. The disciples are now apostles [v 30], chosen, sent and with a mission and were so busy that they didn't even have time to top to eat!

The focus of the verses is on the invitation:

'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.'

Questions you might like to consider:

- 1. What strikes you from the reading of these verses from the Gospel of Mark? Share a word or a sentence, a feeling or a question. [Briefly!]
- The disciples and Jesus were being watched and followed, we might call this stalking. Recently we had read about how Prof Chris Whitty was pursued by people apparently just wanting to take 'selfie' photos and there are many examples of people being followed by paparazzi and the sometimes tragic consequences.
- 2. How does it make you feel to be the focus of attention, in the limelight?
- Jesus response was '*he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd*'. Are there sometimes difficulties with 'friends in need'?
- 3. How important do you think that taking time for contemplation is?

You might like to read how Richard Rohr prioritises contemplation:

Our Vision for Transformed Engagement with the World

Amidst a time of planetary change and disruption, we envision a recovery of our deep connection to each other and our world Instead of accusing others on the left or the right, Jesus stood in radical solidarity with the problem itself, hardly ever offering specific answers to the problem. Instead, his solidarity and compassion brought healing. In today's religious, environmental, and political climate, our compassionate engagement is urgent and vital. When we experience the reality of our oneness with God, others, and Creation, actions of justice and healing naturally follow. If we're working to create a more whole world, contemplation can give our actions nonviolent, loving power for the long haul.

SUMMER HOLIDAY Preparations

1. Creating activity shoe boxes : can you provide shoe boxes? Can you help to cover them?

- 2. Sport and craft activities are now being coordinated and arranged
- 3. Financial donations and offers are coming in....thanks for all your support
- 4. Need cakes for holiday club...please fill in sign up rota in church

5. MINI BUS DRIVERS : Are you able to help with mini bus driving during the summer holidays : Contact Chris Osborne

VOLUNTEERS for holiday clubs: Cooks, minibus drivers, activity and sport coaching, befriender, supporters

WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING

Tuesday 13th July:7pm-9pm@ St Mary

This is a very important time for all our churches at this point in our life together. It's the time that we will be planning together the worship for the next month and through it grow as a team and share the gifts that God has given to us. We break into small groups for this

We will experience Café style worship and make plans of introducing a monthly café style praise service at St Johns PZ

There will also be some practical activities, like zoom worship and learning some new songs

Do hope that you can come along.

AUTUMN WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING

Tue 7th Sept 7pm –9pm : St Mary PZ

Tue 12th Oct: : St Peter Newlyn

Tue 9th Nov: Paul

Tue 7th Dec : St John

Climate Focus Event in West Cornwall – discussing education and climate change

You are invited to a virtual webinar, at which officers from the Teach the Future, the University of Bath and Cornwall Council will make presentations regarding the climate and the education system.

Wednesday 14th July 2021 at 4pm

This event, hosted by Derek Thomas MP, and Pippa Stilwell, WI Climate Ambassador is part of a series of meetings exploring how we can:

• Better inform and engage local residents in relation to climate change

• Understand what action can be taken locally to support climate change action groups and Cornwall Council in their efforts to address the impacts of climate change

• Understand Government policy and scrutinise it's effectiveness in reducing carbon emissions and protecting the natural environment

The event will be held on **Wednesday 14th July at 4pm** via Zoom as a Webinar. It will run for around 1 Hour and 30 minutes and there will be an opportunity for Q&As.

Click <u>here</u> to register for the event or if you have any questions, please email <u>derek.thomas.mp@parliament.uk</u> <u>https://parliament-uk.zoom.us/webinar/register/</u> <u>WN fpzcu1vvSWe0AEp a2Lm3A</u>

FROM PCCs... HIghlights

Most of the focus of PCCs last week was about the "On the Way" process. Thanks to all who have contributed to this work...it has been very emotionally charged...and so much time has been spent thinking and praying about finding positive ways forward. Working together and continuing to reach out into our communities is still something that we are all committed to.

John Wallis will continue his wonderful work as Reader in the Penlee Cluster

St Peter's church are exploring a paid worker in August and Sept to help explore the ministry of hospitality in that place

HeartEdge are coming alongside the cluster to help us think though the commercialisation of a number of our projects...very generous of them

Artist Wanted

Would you like to exhibit your paintings at St. Mary's Church? We are having a great number of tourists visiting the church everyday, and with the approaching school summer holidays we have decided to open our Church Gallery. You will keep 75% of the sale price, and we accept credit or debit card payments from customers. Church is open every day from 10–12, and exhibitions can run for a period of 2 weeks. Book your place with Keno.

COVID: NEXT STEPS

We are very aware that the prospect of returning to life as near to normal by the next few weeks have very mixed reactions in our congregations. So we are trying to find a solution to cater for as many needs as possible and to allow as many as possible to feel comfortable to worship in our churches.

So:

1, Clergy and other staff will continue to test for Covid twice a week and wear maks when distributing communion

2. Hand sanitiser will still be used when entering church and receiving communion.

2. Communion will still be offered in one kind: no chalice

3. An area of each church will still be marked up for social distancing

4. The peace will not be shared by handshakes....so as we are at the moment

5. We will ask that people respect each other's needs for social distancing and mask wearing

6. We are suggesting that although we can sing again that we have a hymn/ song sung by everyone at the beginning and end of worship only so that those who are anxious can join us after the first hymn and leave before the last one. These hymns and songs will be on the newsletter and screen so that books do not have to be used.

7. We will encourage people still to have refreshments after worship seated at tables