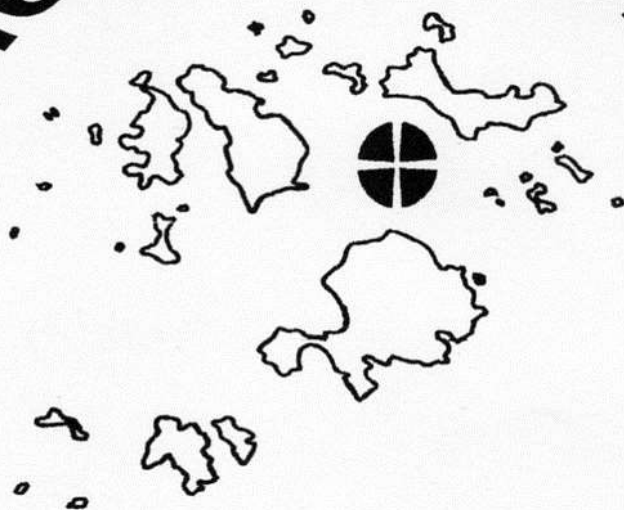


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Some thoughts from the Manse



June is usually a very busy month on our islands with visitors enjoying our unique location, and hopefully some fine weather in which to explore this beautiful place. We do indeed rejoice that so many return year after year, and especially for those who always worship with us in our chapels on St. Martin's and St. Mary's.

We have much to look forward to in the month of June. Professor Peter Stephens is with us at the start of the month, and on 1st June he will be leading our worship in the morning on St. Mary's, and in the afternoon on St. Martin's. Peter is a Cornishman born and brought up in Penzance, he became a Methodist minister fifty eight years ago in 1956, and is a much acclaimed scholar. He has served the world-wide Methodist Church in many ways, including being a lecturer in Cambridge and Aberdeen, and serving as the President of Conference. Four years ago Peter was called to be the Bishop of the Methodist Church in The Gambia, and on his return to Cornwall has served as the superintendent minister in the Saltash Circuit. Peter is certainly now a good friend of the Methodists on these islands and during his visits he is always willing to visit the homes of members. If you would like him to call on you during his stay, please let me know so that arrangements can be made.

The following week is Pentecost Sunday, and we will be celebrating the gift of The Holy Spirit in a special Songs of Praise in the evening on St. Mary's.

Arrangements have now been made by Beryl Read for our Circuit Service on St. Agnes which this year is on the 15th June and is also Trinity Sunday. The service will be at 11.15 and will be followed by a picnic lunch on St. Agnes. Be sure not to miss this special event. It is hoped that this service will be led by me and our new Worship Leaders from St. Mary's, with Rev. H. Barrie Morris as our guest speaker. Please let Beryl know if you are coming in order to arrange boating.

Over the summer months Mary and I always put in place an invitation for visitors to come back to the Manse at 9pm on Sundays after our evening worship. Over the last five years this has proved popular, and it is interesting to hear news from churches on the mainland, the things they are doing and even the problems they may be facing. Some of our local members stay behind to speak with the visitors. This helps us to remember that the things we do here in our churches is not in isolation, and we are part of something much bigger than life on these tiny islands. Sometimes as people sit and chat, someone will speak of a hymn or song that is special to them, and it is always good when spontaneously those gathered start to sing and, although this sometimes means a late night, these times are much loved by our regular visitors.

From time to time at these Sunday evening get-togethers people will request a 'decaffeinated' tea or coffee, something that I always find rather strange although I usually keep these thoughts to myself. Surely caffeine is an essential part of a good cup of tea or coffee! I know that I must be wrong, so we now keep a box of Coop 99 decaffeinated tea at the manse which seems very popular with some. I expect my problem is that I like things to be 'full strength', especially when it comes to what makes a good cup of tea.

My thoughts about what makes a good cup of tea I expect are also reflected in my theology. I like to hear the full strength of the Gospel, and it always rather upsets me when people are tempted to water it down. The last book in our Bible, the Book of Revelation, makes fascinating reading, and it certainly challenges us with the full strength of God's almighty plan. In the third chapter the author describes the church he is writing to as being 'lukewarm' in their commitment to the things of God. It seems that this particular church had lost its zeal in proclaiming Jesus as Lord and that it now was almost unfit for purpose, and what we go on to read is certainly a great challenge to any who may have become indifferent to the Gospel today.

The people to whom these words were addressed were members of the church in a place named Laodicea. This was a prosperous capital in the Roman world. It was a centre of banking and commerce, it had a leading school of medicine, and was renowned for its fine textiles and fine living. I expect there were many living there who were members of the church, and maybe they were saying to themselves, 'We've never had it so good!'

In some ways the same could be said about us living on the Isles of Scilly today. We may not be rich, but we have enough. We have food to eat, we have comfortable homes, we have medical care at hand, and for most, at least for the time being, we are well provided for.

In Laodicea it seems that there was much going on to distract these Christian people from living out the Gospel. They were living in an affluent community, the realities of taking up their cross and living a sacrificial life had almost become forgotten, and the author of the Book of Revelation used strong words to make them see just what was happening in their church almost without them noticing it. He says 'I know your deeds, I know your way of life, and I know that you are neither hot nor cold for the Lord! And the truth is you are nothing more than lukewarm in your faith!'

I don't know about you but to me these words seem so poignant and apt to how life so often is today. What do people see when they look at our church? Are we hot or are we cold? Or are we simply 'lukewarm' and indifferent about the Good News of the Gospel in our community today?

When we are reminded of the full strength of the Gospel, we are challenged by the faithfulness of God's promises to us in Jesus, we are

reminded of His provision in each of our lives, and we begin to see that our Sovereign God longs for us His church to again be fit for purpose. Yes, I firmly believe that just like a good cup of tea, the Gospel needs to be served at full strength in order for it to be truly effective in our lives and in our church today.

When we read these words from the very last book in our Bibles, we cannot miss the inescapable irony that is laid before us in The Word of God. Those who had once been so greatly blessed had now turned from the very source of their blessing, those who knew of God's provision and had found new life and meaning in the Good News of The Gospel had now 'Gone Off The Boil', and now they are described by the author as being pitiful, poor, and blind to the grace of God. Now they had become lukewarm in their mission, lukewarm in their worship, and lukewarm in their love and care for one another. Yes, the irony is clear, because their lives were comfortable they had not seen how slowly little by little their relationship with God had changed until it was now little more than a pale reflection of what it once was.

So, in this glorious month of June, let us again be encouraged to count our blessings, and let us again set out to celebrate our precious Christian Faith by knowing and living the full strength of the Gospel. The Lord our God may rebuke us when we make wrong decisions on our journey through life, His Holy Spirit may remind us of the reality of our broken promises, but The Lord is always faithful to His word, and He was and is and always will be The God who constantly offers to us His gifts of forgiveness, restoration, and renewal through the life of our church.

At the end of this month I will be in Birmingham for a week representing the Cornwall District at the annual Methodist Conference. Sunday, 29th June is Conference Sunday, and I trust that in our worship we will truly celebrate the full strength of the Gospel even though I do not expect the tea to be served with the strength I have come to enjoy so much.

Enjoy the summer on our beautiful islands, and keep drinking the tea. I remain, by the grace of God, the Methodist minister on these islands for a while.

Charlie Gibbs

Prayer is the pulse of life.

Every prayer is an inverted promise...If God teaches us to pray for any good thing, we may gather by implication the assurance that he means to give it. *C H Spurgeon*

News from St Martin's

Our Easter Sunday service was very much a family affair, with so many friends and relatives joining us at this holiday time. Rev Charlie was joined in the address by some of our younger folk who helped him keep the story of Easter alive.

Our singing was a great improvement on the regular renditions of our 13 members!

The following week we were spoilt for choice for organist, as two Wendys were able to give Rodney a break. Wendy Pudner will play for us when she and Rev. Tony return in the summer and on this occasion Wendy Hawkins gave us the benefit of her musical skills.

Wendy Hawkins, who is a music graduate, is a descendent of William Gibson (a well-known smuggler in his youth!) who was instrumental in founding our Chapel. Uncle Bill was converted upon hearing Mary Ann Werry, of the Bible Christian Society, preach in 1891.

One of our Chapel windows is dedicated to Wendy's parents. Her mum, Bertha Christopher, was born on St. Martin's (her mother was a Gibson). It was good to welcome Wendy and husband Andrew back to the island.

We also enjoyed the company of cousin Michael Pellowe and his daughter Rachel over Easter, and it is he who has documented much of the early history of the Gibsons and Methodism on the island.

The following week Barbara Hasler was unable to take our service due to ill health. We wish her a good recovery. Fortunately, Chris Savill was able to step in and lead our worship. We were treated to one of Chris's meaningful thoughts for the day, beginning with a short Chemistry lesson! We were reminded that silver and particularly gold are held in such high regard because they are seen to be indestructible, in our modern materialistic world. However, if you know how, and have the liquid Aqua Regia they can actually be dissolved! Chris then likened this to our faith, which should be everlasting.

We continue to think of Mary Evans who is still recovering at St Michael's at Hayle, and wish Charlie and Mary happy holidays.

We welcome regular and new visitors to our Sunday worship.

Val Thomas

Pentecost

Pentecost took place on the well-established Jewish festival of Firstfruits, which was observed at the beginning of the wheat harvest. It was exactly 50 days after the Passover, the time of Jesus' crucifixion.



A feast day to celebrate the country's wheat harvest does not sound exactly world-

changing, but that year, it became one of the most important days in world history. For Pentecost was the day that Jesus sent the Holy Spirit - the day the Church was born.

Jesus had told his apostles that something big was going to happen, and that they were to wait for it in Jerusalem, instead of returning to Galilee. Jesus had plans for his apostles - but he knew they could not do the work themselves - they would need his help.

And so the apostles and disciples waited in Jerusalem, praying together for several days. And then on that fateful morning there was suddenly the sound as of a mighty rushing wind. Tongues of flame flickered on their heads, and they began to praise God in many tongues - to the astonishment of those who heard them. The curse of Babel (Genesis 11: 1- 9) was dramatically reversed that morning.

That morning the Holy Spirit came to indwell the apostles and disciples of Jesus: and the Church was born. The Christians were suddenly full of life and power, utterly different from their former fearful selves. The change in them was permanent.

Peter gave the first ever sermon of the Christian Church that morning: proclaiming Jesus was the Messiah. His boldness in the face of possible death was in marked contrast to the man who had denied Jesus 50 days before. And 3,000 people responded, were converted, and were baptised. How's that for fast church growth!

Of course Pentecost was not the first time the Holy Spirit had acted in this world. All through the Old Testament there are accounts of how God's Spirit guided people and strengthened them. But now, because of Christ's death and resurrection, he could INDWELL them. From now on, every Christian could have the confidence that Jesus was with them constantly, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

News from the Methodist Church

Take a spin on the Wheel of Generosity

People are being encouraged to 'spin' an online Wheel of Generosity and commit to small acts of kindness as part of a new campaign from the Methodist Church.

'A Generous Life' is designed to help Christians rethink together what it means to be generous in their local contexts. "Every act of generosity, however small, bears witness to our generous and loving God," said the Revd Dr Martyn Atkins, General Secretary of the Methodist Church.

"Generosity can be expressed in many ways, whether through financial giving, dedicating your time to help someone else, or sharing freely your skills and creativity. A Generous Life is a great opportunity to rethink what it might mean for each of us to act generously as disciples of Jesus in our everyday lives."

When asked about the people who had inspired them to be generous, one respondent said: 'When the woman who worked as my cleaner and child-minder in South Africa (a 'domestic worker') offered to take on an AIDS orphan who was rummaging through our bin on bin collection day - she had so little but was willing to give so much, it inspired me to adopt a child permanently as a member of our family'.

Visit www.methodist.org.uk/mission/a-generous-life for more information.

'Legal milestone' praised by President of the Methodist Conference

Leaders of the Methodist Church in Britain have welcomed the UK Government's recent ratification of the Arms Trade Treaty. The President of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Ruth Gee, said it had come about because 'across the world, people have made their voices heard. They have spoken against the obscenity of the sale of arms to governments or groups who abuse rights and kill civilians.

It's over ten years since the Methodist Conference called on the UK Government to support a global Arms Trade Treaty. We are convinced that trade and economic exchange must be grounded

on the principles of justice and the dignity of every individual that lie at the heart of the Christian faith. The ratification of the treaty by the UK and other governments today is a legal milestone that should help to protect those who are abused and oppressed.'

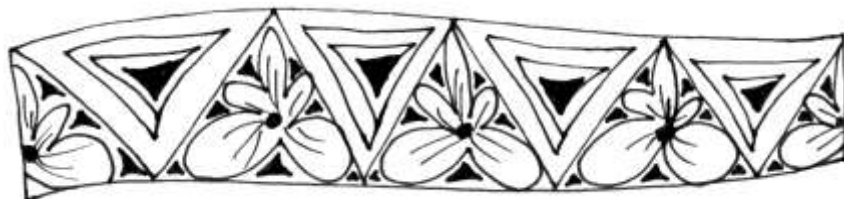
MRDF relaunches as All We Can

Following a service of thanksgiving for 70 years of Methodist relief and development, Westminster Central Hall hosted an audience of current and past Presidents of the Conference, supporters and colleagues for the announcement of the charity's ambitious future plans.

The new name All We Can reflects the charity's commitment to do all it can to tackle poverty and takes its inspiration from words attributed to John Wesley:

'Do all the good you can
By all the means you can.
In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can.
At all the times you can.
To all the people you can.
As long as ever you can.'

Maurice Adams, Chief Executive of All We Can, says, 'Over the years All We Can, under various names, has provided support and resources to many millions of people who have been overlooked by others. Our vision for the next chapter in the story of Methodist relief and development work seeks to build upon our strengths and heritage.'



Food for Thought from the Book of Proverbs

- Better to be a nobody and yet have a servant than to pretend to be somebody and have no food (*Proverbs 12:9*)
- Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones (*Proverbs 16:24*)
- Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting with strife (*Proverbs 17:1*)
- A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor (*Proverbs 23:9*)
- Eat honey, my son, for it is good; honey from the comb is sweet to your taste. Know also that wisdom is sweet to your soul; if you find it, there is a future hope for you and your hope will not be cut off (*Proverbs 24:13-14*)
- Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread (*Proverbs 30:8*)

With thanks to Trinity Methodist church, Royton

I am God

Haze upon the meadow, calm on yonder hill,
The hush of nature's beauty holds God's promise to fulfil
A day of countless blessing for those with eyes to see
The ever-changing glory He provides for you and me!
The early morning chorus starts the day with joyful praise,
And life begins to stir and show the measure of man's ways.
It is in calmly waiting before such wondrous scenes
That we can draw our daily strength and learn what loving means!
For in such times of gazing into the heart of 'Love'
We grasp the way to just
'Be still and know that I am God' (Psalm 46:10)

With thanks to Trinity Methodist Church, Royton

How sad is this!

Tents don't have plugs: Many children refuse to go camping because there is nowhere to charge their phones, watch TV or access the internet. Unlike their children, four out of ten adults like the simple pleasures of camping and a third said it let them 'escape'. The study was by E.On, who is working with the Scout Association to create a tent which uses wind turbines and solar panels to produce power.

Rushed off your feet?: In what position are you spending your time this summer? Nearly seven in ten young adults spend more than 20 hours a day sitting or lying down, whether asleep or awake. Yet they do not consider themselves idle; a recent study has found that these same people are constantly checking phones and emails; with more than eight in ten of 18-24 year olds checking their mobile phones last thing at night, and first thing in the morning. The survey, by Weight Watchers, warns that 'as sedentary lifestyles seem to be on the rise, the UK's obesity rates continue to escalate'.

Church officials

Six-year-old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud.

Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel demanded.

Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door?"

They're hushers."

Laughter Lines

A man was driving to work when a lorry ran through a 'Stop' sign, hit his car broadside and knocked him out cold. Passers-by pulled him from the wreck and revived him. He began a terrific struggle and had to be tranquillized by the medics. Later, when he was calm, they asked him why he had struggled so much, to which he replied: "I remember the impact, then nothing. Then I woke up on the concrete slab in front of a huge flashing 'SHELL' sign but someone was standing in front of the 'S'".

A group of guys took a trip to France and decided to attend the Sunday service in a small town, even though none of them understood French. They managed to stand, kneel and sit when the rest of the congregation did, so it wouldn't be obvious that they were tourists.

At one point the priest spoke and the man sitting next to them stood up, so they got up too. The entire congregation broke into hearty laughter.

After the service they approached the priest, who spoke English, and asked what had been so funny. The priest told them that he had announced a birth in the parish and had asked the father to stand up!!

Take Two

An advertisement for a church has a picture of two hands holding stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments are inscribed and the headline reads

'FOR FAST, FAST, FAST RELIEF, TAKE TWO TABLETS'

With thanks to Trinity Methodist Church, Royton for these.

WWI They went with songs to the battle

'We don't want to lose you, but we think you ought to go', sang music hall star Vesta Tilley in the Summer of 1914, when theatre stages became recruiting centres as young men, urged on by their girl-friends and wives, made their way forward to offer themselves for military service. This was, of course, in those first heady months of the war, the 'over by Christmas' time, when not to volunteer was to risk being given a white feather of cowardice in the street. Rapidly a huge volunteer army was assembled, and soon made its way to the western front.

The songs of the music-hall went with them - indeed, this was an army that sang and whistled its way into those muddy trenches and kept on singing, even when it turned out that the war was going to be long, bitter and brutal. 'Pack up your troubles in your old kitbag', they sang, 'and smile, smile, smile'. All that was needed was a 'lucifer to light your fag'. After all, 'What's the use of worrying - it never was worthwhile'. Soon that song was joined by others - 'Mademoiselle from Armentieres, parlez-vous?' 'It's a long way to Tipperary' and so on.

The songs of the music hall became the songs of the battle-field. Soldiers on leave or at home for medical treatment sat in the cheap seats and sang their heads off, while a singer on stage, often wearing patriotic uniform, marched up and down orchestrating the performance. When, in his most famous poem *For the Fallen*, Laurence Binyon wrote that 'they went with songs to the battle' he was stating the truth. 'Pack up your Troubles' was the defining song of the trenches, though in the harsh light of reality its message seems a bit like whistling in the dark.

As the war went on and year followed year, so the songs tended to change their mood. In 1918 it was Ivor Novello's first great hit, 'Keep the home fires burning . . . till the boys come home' that stirred the audiences' hearts. The same shift occurred in the Second World War, from the confident 'We're going to hang out our washing on the Siegfried Line' in 1939 to Vera Lynn's plangent voice assuring war-weary troops in 1944 that 'We'll meet again, don't know where, don't know when'.

Popular songs, in other words, captured very accurately the mood and heart of the nation. As they always have been, their trade secrets were smiles and tears.

All in the Month of JUNE

125 years ago: on 8th June 1889 Gerard Manley Hopkins, British poet and Jesuit priest, died. He was one of the leading Victorian poets.

100 years ago: on 26th June 1914 Laurie Lee, British poet, novelist and screenwriter was born. He is best remembered for 'Cider with Rosie' – a memoir of his childhood.

100 years ago: on 28th June 1914 Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria was assassinated, sparking a conflict between Austria-Hungary and Serbia that led to WW1.

90 years ago: on 8th June 1924 George Mallory, British mountaineer, disappeared on Mount Everest. His body was found in 1999.

70 years ago: on 6th June 1944 D-Day took place with the Normandy landings. More than 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy at the start of the Battle of Normandy.

65 years ago: on 8th June 1949 George Orwell's novel 'Nineteen Eighty-Four' was published.

50 years ago: on 12th June 1964 Nelson Mandela and seven other leaders of the African National Congress were sentenced to life imprisonment for acts of sabotage designed to end apartheid. (Mandela was released in 1990.)

15 years ago: on 4th June 1989 The Tiananmen Square Massacre took place in Beijing. Students holding a pro-democracy demonstration were forced out of the square in a bloody government crackdown. The number killed is unknown – estimates range from less than 200 to more than 6,000; thousands were injured. On 5th June the Unknown Rebel (or Tank Man) temporarily halted a column of tanks by standing in front of them on the morning after the massacre. It became one of the most iconic images of the 20th century.

What an eventful month June has been!

Two Book Reviews

Hear My Cry

Compiled by Bible Society, £3,99

To mark the 100th anniversary of the start of the First World War, Bible Society has published a collection of poetry, prayers, hymns and psalms. It also includes personal stories of people who fought in the War, many of whose Bibles and diaries survived and are pictured in the book.

Sister Wendy Beckett (art critic and author) provides a commentary on paintings by Pieter Bruegel and John Nash. The moving words of poets such as Wilfred Owen, Eleanor Farjeon and Siegfried Sassoon are represented alongside other voices from the war years. You can use these accounts, extracts, letters and psalms in your church services, around your church or school, or for individual and community reflections.

Love So Amazing 40 reflections on my favourite hymns

By Pam Rhodes, LionHudson, £9.99

Pam Rhodes is the presenter of the world's number one religion television programme, 'Songs of Praise'. Here she brings together her meditations on 40 of her favourite hymns, reflecting on the story behind them and their meaning. Each meditation concludes with a brief prayer. Pam writes, 'Hymns are prayers in our pockets, a spiritual first aid kit that has its home amongst our memories. Hymns speak to us and for us, heart to heart, soul to soul, connecting us in fellow feeling to the writer, whoever they were and whenever they wrote'.

The words of the great hymns aren't always cosy and comfortable. They remind us of the true demands of the Christian life. They spur us on to react and respond. Most of all, they remind us of the Almighty God who created the heavens and earth in all their vastness and complexity, but who also created us to be unique and precious through His divine and amazing love.

What's been happening?...

CY WEEKEND AWAY

April saw the CY weekend away where Emily, Lynne, Tianna & Jono came over to Cornwall to stay at the Scott's house. We had loads of fun living in community together, playing games, doing challenges (like baking biscuits and blindfolded obstacle courses), learning about God's Holy Spirit, the church family, the bible & prayer, and going bowling with Jen's youth group in Truro. Really great to be growing as disciples together.



TAG CONNECTOR

March was the launch of TAG Connector in the school.

A half hour session including games, pizza and a thought provoking video / short talk, followed by questions. 12 young people came along to find out what it was all about. They seemed to have loads of fun and they asked some brilliant questions.

ALPHA FOR ADULTS

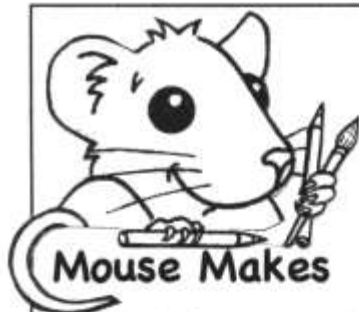
What a great bunch of people have been coming along to Alpha. It's such a privilege to be amongst folks from all walks of life and backgrounds, with interesting viewpoints and great personalities. There's about 12 of us monthly meeting to get to know each other, eat together, watch great video talks and chat with each other. Please continue to pray that God would be revealing himself and teaching us more about who he is.

JUST A FEW QUOTES FROM ALL OF THE ABOVE

"It's so good to have each other to talk to like this, I don't feel like I'm on my own."

"This is brilliant, I'm totally coming every time!"

"Wow, I never saw it like that, that really makes sense."



THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Now when the day of **Pentecost** had come the disciples were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like a violent wind blowing came from heaven and filled the entire house where they were sitting. And tongues spreading out like fire came to rest on each one of them.

See Acts 2:1-47

Colour in the picture then carefully cut out. Glue onto bright card and pin on your wall



Birthday Greetings

This month we send our love and best wishes to Rose Didlick, Ann Elgawad, Sam Grossett, Kenneth Jackson Cocking, June Lethbridge, Philip Lethbridge, Steve Manning, Janis Nightingale, Tony Nightingale, Iona Perkins, Jacky Perkins, Tianna Rose, Christopher Savill, Hallie Shave, Tricia Thomas and Gillian Trenear.

*Happy Birthday to you
To Jesus be true
God bless you and keep you
Happy Birthday to you.*



If your name has not been included please accept our best wishes too.

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In the first instance please contact me, Mary Ratcliffe 423030 or Revd. Charles Gibbs 422406. I will then pass on the prayer request to the first name in each of the groups.

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*For the Prayer Chain to be effective it is essential that requests are forwarded to the person in the column beneath your name, if that person is not available please ring the next person on the list.*

## JUNE SERVICES

### ST MARY'S

|      |          |                                                                  |
|------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st  | 10.00 am | Children's Church<br>Rev Peter Stephens<br><i>Holy Communion</i> |
|      | 11.00 am |                                                                  |
| 8th  | 8.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs                                                |
|      | 9.15 am  | <b>Pentecost</b>                                                 |
|      | 11.00 am | Len Michell and Mervyn Bird                                      |
|      | 8.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs<br>Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Songs of Praise</i> |
| 15th | 11.00 am | <b>Circuit Service on St Agnes</b>                               |
|      | 8.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs<br><i>Holy Communion</i>                       |
| 22nd | 9.15 am  | Rev Charlie Gibbs and Beryl Read<br><i>Holy Communion</i>        |
|      | 11.00 am | Len Michell                                                      |
| 29th | 8.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs                                                |
|      | 9.15 am  | Mary Ratcliffe and Mervyn Bird                                   |
|      | 11.00 am | Barbara Hasler                                                   |
|      | 8.00 pm  | Len Michell                                                      |

### ST MARTIN'S

|      |          |                                             |
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| 1st  | 6.00 pm  | Rev Peter Stephens<br><i>Holy Communion</i> |
| 8th  | 6.00 pm  | <b>Pentecost</b>                            |
|      | 11.00 am | Rev Charlie Gibbs                           |
| 15th | 11.00 am | <b>Circuit Service on St Agnes</b>          |
| 22nd | 6.00 pm  | Rev Charlie Gibbs                           |
| 29th | 11.00 am | Christopher Savill                          |

### PARK HOUSE

|     |         |                |
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| 1st | 4.00 pm | Mary Ratcliffe |
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