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Weekly Benefice Bulletin

Sunday 15th November 2026

Message from the Rector

Ow sos ger,

Over the next few weeks there will be some changes taking place at Probus church. As we mentioned last week change is an inevitable part of life. Something that stands still is something that is dying on its feet. Evolving to meet the present situation, the particular set of circumstances, or challenges of the day is something that we as humans can be exceptionally good at. We can also be exceptionally bad at accepting this too!

Jesus teaches us that throughout life there are seasons, and there comes a time when things need to overwinter. We know ourselves that as the colder windier weather begins that we need to hunker down, we become less inclined to go to meetings at night, we want cosy and we want warmth. Our routines help us to keep going and not to shut ourselves away entirely -we are not dormice after all!

Jesus also teaches us that in the right season things need pruning. It can be hard to know which season we are in, is it a pruning one or is it a dormant one? Outside we know that the trees are shaking off their leaves and are hunkering down ready for the better weather conditions that will enable their new leaves to have the best start. That time will come soon enough. I suspect that across the Upper Fal parishes that we have been experiencing a bit of pruning. Situations arise that necessitate pruning. And this can be painful. Projects, events, services that we have held dear can be painful to let go off. And yet, we hold on to the truth that Jesus gives us all that we need to attend to the mission that he is calling us to. Of course, we also need to then understand what this ministry and mission might be. And we must assess our resources which includes the people needed to run the event or plan the event etc.

Across the patch each of the PCC's meet regularly to assess the activities and practices of the individual churches. Each PCC is made up of individuals who have offered themselves, their skills and knowledge in order to help the church to be the church it is called to be- a light in the darkness. In order to do this we must steward our resources. This means that we must take care of those who volunteer their time and energy to help make things happen, and those who work unseen in the background.

As the church around you begins to make some changes and you become wistful about how it used to be, this might be a good time to say thank you to the people who used to help make it happen and show your appreciation.

gras ha kres,
Caroline

This week's services

Sunday 15th November

Probus	9.30	Praise and Worship	Sara
St Erme	9.30	Holy Communion	Caroline
St Nun's	11.00	Parish Praise	William/Simon
Ladock	11.00	Holy Communion	Caroline
Tresillian	15.00	Holy Communion	Caroline

Psalm 90: 1-8, 12
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Matthew 25: 14-30

Thursday 19th November

Probus	12:00	Holy Communion	Caroline

Next week's services

Sunday 22nd November
Christ the King

Probus	9.30	Holy Communion	Caroline
St Erme	9.30	Morning Prayer	
Ladock	11.00	Holy Communion	Pat
St Crida	11.15	BCP Communion	Caroline
Tresillian	11.15	Holy Communion	Sherry
Ladock	18.00	BCP Evensong	Caroline

Psalm 95: 1-7
Ephesians 1: 15-23
Matthew 25: 31-46

Children & Young People's Groups

Probus - Youth Group: Sunday 15th November, 6.00pm-7.00pm

Probus - Little Lights: Thursday 19th November, 9.30am-11.30am

Benefice notices

Probus Youth Group – Volunteers Needed

Over the past year, Probus Church has been running a youth group for school years 6 to 10 (ages 10 to 15).

As the group has grown, we are now looking for adults to help run activities and support our young people. If you have a passion for working with and supporting youth, we would love to hear from you.

The group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. DBS and safeguarding training will be provided.

For further information, please email Revd Caroline at rector@probusteam.com by Thursday 17th December.

Across the Upper Fal Parishes

You are welcome to any and all these regular events across the parishes. Please keep a look out in the Bulletin for news and dates of 'pop up' events to take place around the Benefice.

GRAMPOUND
Home Group
Thursday evenings for further details. Tel William 07767 203402

LADOCK
Coffee Morning at Ladock Village Hall
1st Saturday each month: 10-12noon

Bell-ringing Practice
Alternate Wednesdays
Contact Jonathan for more info

PROBUS
Home Groups
Alternate weeks, Tuesday / Wednesday evenings
Tel Scott 07576 252664 (Tuesday group)
Tel Liz 07525 456434 (1st & 3rd Wednesday group)

Tots Praise
3rd Thursday each month: 9.30 - 11.30
This is a stay and play group for babies and toddlers. Once a month we share A Gospel story, sing and pray usually with bubbles.

TRESILLIAN
Lunch Group at Holy Trinity Church
1st Monday most months: 12 noon
Booking essential Tel Clare 01872 520198

TR2 Community Hub

Monday 16th November
Digital Support Hub: 10am -12pm

Tuesday 17th November
Coffee Morning: 10.30am -12pm

Wednesday 18th November
Probus Community Support & Information Service: 2pm - 4pm
Community Larder: 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Friday 20th November
Coffee Morning: 9am - 11am

Saturday 21st November
Community Larder: 9.30am - 10.30am
Coffee Morning: 9.30pm - 10.30pm

On the humorous side…

How many of each animal did Moses bring onto the ark?
None! Moses was never even on the ark!
Come on, didn't you Noah that?

News from Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union has branches across Cornwall, and the events at Truro Cathedral below are open to everyone - members, friends and guests. Thank you.

Dates for the diary

- **Diocesan Mothers' Union Meeting** - 19 November 10.00 - 16.00, Truro Cathedral. Morning - Eucharist and Speaker (Julia Jameson, Zonal Trustee, Mothers' Union); Afternoon - AGM. Please bring packed lunch. Tea & coffee available all day, plus fair trade stall. All welcome.
- 25 November - 10 December - the UN's **'16 Days of Activism'** campaign against gender-based violence is supported by Mothers' Union. Our theme is 'Together for Dignity and Safety'. Further details to follow.
- Thursday 10 December - annual **Mothers' Union Advent Carol Service**, Truro Cathedral (time tbc)

Safeguarding in our Benefice

We want our churches to be places where everyone feels welcome, valued and safe. Safeguarding is something we all have a part in and we are committed to looking after one another, especially children, young people and adults who may be vulnerable.

We have Parish Safeguarding Officer in each of our parishes who works alongside our clergy and PCC to support good safeguarding practice and those who work with children and adults are appropriately recruited, trained and supported.

Most importantly, we want people to feel able to speak up if they are worried about something or someone. We will listen and take concerns seriously and will make sure they are dealt with appropriately. If you have a concern, however small, please speak to your Safeguarding Officer, clergy or churchwarden. By listening, caring and looking out for one another, we can all help make our churches safe and welcoming places for everyone.

Generosity and Stewardship Matters

Financially Supporting your church
The Parish Giving Scheme is our preferred method of receiving regular giving within the churches of Probus, Ladock and Grampound. If you haven't already transferred from other forms of giving then do check out how it works through the link here or by contacting your treasurer.

Please do consider whether this is a good time to review your regular giving at the church, or perhaps you would like to plan for a future donation and leave a gift in your will. The Church of England has produced guidance on legacy giving which you can find here

Newsletter Submissions

Please send your items **by 5pm on Tuesday 17th November at the latest** to Matthew at **bulletin@probus.church** and make sure the subject line clearly indicates that it is a newsletter submission.
Thank you.

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