

St Dominick

PARISH NEWS

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St Dominick Church Celebrates 250 years of Bells!

To celebrate this wonderful milestone Dave Martin has found the following lovely information and poems. Mr & Mrs Colwill ran the village post office at the time of their daughter's wedding, so they asked the ringers to attend in rhyme. This is what they produced:

Post Office,
St. Dominic.

The wedding that has been arranged
Will soon be celebrated,
And Chris and Betty's relatives
At the Rectory will be feted.
So will you and all your merry lads
Who ring the bells with zest,
Please come over to the Rectory
And mingle with the guests.

There's Leslie, Captain of the tower
Whose ringing has brought fame,
With Brother Ken and Uncle Frank
And dear old Cecil Jane.
That's only four, we want two more
Or else it's no use starting
Now don't get sad, here's two more lads,
It's Bern and Herbert Martin.

So ring my lads, then rest awhile
And come and join the party,
You'll feel refreshed, then ring again
And the bells will seem more hearty.
But fun aside, it's nice of you
To give us of your best,
So Don't forget on that Saturday
You'll be six invited Guests.

The Tower,
St. Dominic.

We Ringers of The Parish Church
Have received the invitation,
We think it will be very nice
To join the congregation.

We'll ring you in, and ring you out,
With peals both loud and hearty,
Then leave the bells to rest awhile
And join you at the party.

We'll drink your health,
And wish you wealth,
And every joy in store,
Then back we'll go into the Church.
And ring the bells once more.

The feasting over, the speeches said,
And Betty and Chris away,
The guests and ringers who saw them wed,
Will have spent a lovely day.

The bells will ring on for a time,
But soon they will be still.
Then one and all give many thanks
To Mr. and Mrs. Colwill.

We thank you for the wedding bells
You rang for us today,
And to thank you as we really feel,
Words fail us what to say.

But we know you as kind people
In this happy village life,
So please accept this gift from us,
And some chocolates for the wife.

Parish Council meeting – July 2023

This was another protracted meeting but it speeded up a bit as it went on. We met on a different date from usual because Jim had been to foreign parts but all good things come to an end.

All councillors were present except Cornwall Councillor Long who was delayed in Wales.

It was memorable for the seating arrangement. I don't know if it's a reaction to isolation during Covid but Councillors Cox, Wenmoth and Potter sat on one side of the table and the other six squashed up together on the other. It was like a Roost of councillors, very different. Almost like the panel on The Apprentice.

Anyway, there were two members of the public with me, who had both come to object to the latest planning application for the land next to the Meadows. For those of you who've forgotten the beginning this is a brief reminder. Ages ago planning was applied for, for a mix of self build and social housing. The Parish Council turned it down, it was a split decision. Some wanted it, some didn't want it, some wanted houses but not those. Anyway, Cornwall Council approved the outline.

There have been several amendments. This has expired, I think, and now a revised hybrid application has gone in. It seems no one is quite sure what this means and the plans are so confused, as this is not the first alteration, that the council voted unanimously to reject them at this meeting. All details are on the Cornwall planning portal.

Councillor Fry had taken the photo of the stile which needed attention, the one he forgot last month, which was very helpful of him. He managed to put a photo on the big screen of his wife with one leg elevated as much as she could manage, attempting to show the step was too high for people to climb onto and over. Thank you to her. Then there was a discussion as to how to remedy this problem. I can't remember the outcome but I seem to remember Jim's solution was referred to as bodging.

Then we got onto the recreation field and its fortnightly checks. There are things that need doing and things that could be done if you see what I mean. The necessary things are always done. There was a bit of disagreement over some of this as there were a couple of prices for various things such as wood and labour and some thought they were expensive. Others thought they were about the going rate, it began to be apparent who the DIY enthusiasts were. To be fair some parish councillors spend hours on maintenance which is not really in their remit and its not correct to load more labour onto them.

The roof of the shelter in the field leaks which could be very expensive to repair. There was no decision reached on this, as:

- 1 Some decided that when it rained everyone went home anyway
- 2 One of the newer members thought that youngsters would be up there at night, up to no good. He's obviously too new to know what the bus shelter's historically for.

Someone said something about the chains on the swing and Councillor Wilkins said St Dominic was the only place he had been where chains are covered in rubber, so that was that.

Councillor Wilkins also said, (I think) that the budget was up the creek. One of his spreadsheet columns was overspent by about £5,000 and another had a surplus. I believe this was referring to Capital expenditure etc but not sure. Apologies if this is incorrect.

And then, just when we thought we were leaving, Jim found a mistake in the columns himself.

Next time perhaps "Mistakes and Bright Ideas" can be an agenda item. We haven't had many lately.

The next Parish Council meeting is in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 6th September at 7.00. See you all there.

St Dominic Open Mic (Free entry!)

When: Third Thursday of every month (music 7:30-10pm)

Where: Silage Bar, The Who'd Have Thought It Inn

For those that are not aware, the village pub hosts a popular monthly open mic night. We have been running these events since Feb 2022, and it is very well regarded, however, most musicians and audience who attend travel from surrounding areas. It would be great to get more people from the village to the Open Mic events, so whether you are a budding musician/singer/performer, or would simply like to listen to some great live music, please come along.

We have a low volume, high quality PA system with sound engineer (my good self), and can promise a warm friendly atmosphere. All equipment is provided but if you play guitar and want to leave yours at home, you can use our 'house' guitar, and by all means bring your own microphone if preferred. In recent months we've been treated to all manner of material, from Jazz to Flamenco, folk to popular classics, and lots of original material.

Finally, please note we predominantly cater for acoustic style music, and are a Karaoke free zone!

For further information please contact Steve Brown on 07763 184075

Future Open Mic. dates for your diary;

21st Sept, 19th Oct, 16th Nov, 21st Dec (TBC)

18th Jan 2024, 15th Feb 2024, 21st March 2024

St. Dominick WI - Our Summer Activities

St Dominick WI have had a lovely busy couple of months.

We had a fascinating trip into the past on Tuesday 11th July at Calstock Church, led by Dr Chris Smart from Exeter University and Ann, one of the excavation team members. We found out about the rich archaeological landscape that surrounds Calstock Church that has been occupied for at least 4000 years from early Bronze Age (2000 BC). In 2007 an excavation and a geographical survey was started by archaeologists from Exeter University and they made the remarkable discovery of a Roman Fort, large enough for 500 soldiers! The Fort was square in plan and measured 170 m by 170 m, with an internal area of 3 football pitches. The archaeological work continued until 2011 and unearthed incredible pottery and coins that suggests that the Fort was established around AD 50/55. Which is evidence that the Romans did travel further than Exeter! There is a storyboard near to the Church that explains more about their finds and you can read about the incredible history that surrounds Calstock Church, which also has a wonderful history of it's own. Thank you, Lynne, for organising this fascinating visit.

At our monthly WI meeting on 12th July, we had a fascinating talk by Brian Cumming (MBE) who is a Chelsea Pensioner. He told us how he came to be a Chelsea Pensioner and the amazing activities that he engages in. He looked splendid in his red regalia.

On Thursday 3rd of August, a group of us had a wonderful day at the Lychgate Cutting Garden in Landscope near Ashburton, Devon. We were lent a pair of snippers and we chose a vase, then we were let loose amongst the glorious flowers, grasses and greenery growing in huge rows in the amazingly stocked flower garden. It was such a joy seeing the stunning variety of flowers but to be able to select stems and arrange them for ourselves to take home was fabulous. All our arrangements looked superb! We enjoyed an enormous slice of cake and a coffee in the tea room before exploring The Hill House Nursery that is stocked with

some rare and unusual plants for both garden and conservatory. It was impossible to resist at least one plant to go in the garden at home to remember this therapeutic floral day! Thank you, Carolyn, for organising it and for showing and sharing with us your own beautiful dahlias!

We all enjoyed a lovely social member's cream tea and fizz afternoon in the St. Dominick Parish Hall on Wednesday the 9th of July. It is always good to share everyone's company and conversation, especially if the occasion includes tea, cake and a glass of fizz on a Summer's afternoon.

If you would like to see photographs of some of the above events, please look at our facebook page: St. Dominick WI. You will also find our forthcoming events here. So please take a look!

We are looking forward to the Vintage Afternoon Tea on Saturday 19th August at the St. Dominick Parish Hall, 3.00 until 5.00. I hope you have managed to secure a ticket as this is now a sell out event! Sorry to disappoint you if you were unable to secure a ticket. All proceeds will go to Cornwall Blood Bikes.

Our next monthly meeting is on Wednesday 13th September at 7.30 for 7.45 in the St. Dominick Parish Hall. Our speaker will be Alex Southcott who is going to tell us about her experiences as 'A Midwife Abroad'. Visitors will receive a very warm welcome if you would like to come along. (A £5 charge is asked from visitors.) Come and visit us and find out how friendly and welcoming we all are at St. Dominick WI.

Tuesday Club

The Tuesday club meet at St Dominick Parish Hall on the first Tuesday of each month and we return after the summer break on 5th September.

The speaker will be the R.N.L.I., starting at 2.30pm.

Come along and give us a try it is only once a month. The cost is £3.00 per meeting to include tea and biscuits.

New members are always welcome, just come along.

If you would like any more information please ring Eunice 01579 351491

St Dominick Autumn Show – Possibly the best day of the year...

In case anyone hasn't heard, **September 9th** is the date of the Autumn show. Most of you will know all about it, but in case anyone has forgotten this is an annual event, taking place in the Parish Hall and is a competition between entrants displaying items from their garden, art or photographic studio, kitchen or craft room. Some are serious competitors, some not so, but everyone has an enjoyable time. Some go home with cups, some with prize cards, could be they have a raffle prize or quite often someone else's apples they don't want.

Anyway, we would like you ALL to enter something, or at least come and have a cup of tea to support us financially.

If you would like to enter but you aren't sure how to, just ring 01579 350776 or anyone on the committee and we will help you. Helping you win is beyond our capabilities but we can explain the entry process etc.

Hope to see you all on the day, entries as on the schedule, open to visitors at 2.30. please come along.

Advent Window Trail 2023

St. Dominick Church are hoping to revive the Advent Window Trail (*initiated by the pub during lockdown*) - culminating in a family Christmas celebration on Christmas Eve in the Church.

As before, each participating household will have a December date to display their decorated window – remaining up until the end of the month for everyone to have time to view all the entries. The theme for 2023 would be ‘Pantomimes’.

If you would like to join in the fun and make an Advent Trail Window please email stdominickchurch@gmail.com with your phone number and address as soon as possible, or call Ann on 077900 40458 – so we can assess the level of interest. Thank You!

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ST DOMINICK DIARY

September 2023

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Sun 3rd. 6pm Cornish Evening Prayer at Halton Quay

Sun 10th 10am Holy Communion

Sun 24th 10am Contemporary Celtic Worship

Sun 24th 6pm Oasis

Tues 26th 9.30am Holy Communion

For details of Services in other Churches of the Benefice please look at the 7 Link on the following website [Tamar Valley Benefice \(google.com\)](https://www.tamarvalleybenefice.co.uk)

Churchwarden: Mrs Clare Lee

clareleepcc@btinternet.com 01579 351381

Methodist Services. Sundays 6pm.

Sun 3rd Mr Mark Pellow

Sun 10th Mr Mark Pellow

Sun 17th Rev'd David Moss. Harvest Festival.

Sun 24th Mrs Helen Pengelly.

Coffee mornings in the Methodist meeting room 2nd Mondays 10-12 noon. Bring & Buy sales.

St. Dominick Hand Bell Ringers Fridays 7.30 Contact Robin Wood 01579 350 767

St. Dominick Community Shop (Village Hall car park) 01579 350841

Open Mon-Fri 8.45-5.30. Saturday 9-5.30. Sunday 9.15-11.30

Post Office Tuesdays and Fridays 9-12pm.

Wet fish van Thursdays 1pm.

Parish Hall bookings contact: lornabc@talktalk.net 01579 350776

Items for the Diary page to: valerie.gill@icloud.com 01579 351927

by the 15th of each month.

SAVE THE DATE

Who'd Open Mic 7-9.30pm every 3rd Thursday. with Steve Brown

Saturday 2nd September Andrew Long, Your Cornwall Council representative Parish Hall 9.30-11.30. Just turn up.

Tuesday 5th September - Tuesday club. Parish Hall. (2.30, new members welcome Talk by RNLI)

Wednesday 6th September - Parish Council Meeting Parish Hall 7.00. Members of public welcome.

Saturday 9th September - St Dominick Autumn Show (Schedules available from the shop)

Tuesday 12TH September - Hobbies Group Parish Hall

Wednesday 13TH September - W.I. 7.30pm start 7.45pm Parish Hall

Saturday 16TH September - Friends Coffee Morning. BEECH HAVEN 10-12.

Wednesday 19th September - Community shop AGM Parish Hall 7.30pm.

Friday 29th September - Parish Hall Football club Bingo

Monday 9TH October - CHURCH Harvest Supper & Auction. Parish Hall.

Saturday 21st October - Pasty & Pudding Lunch Parish Hall. Ticket only from; Eunice 351491, & Charmian and Linda Kernow.

Thursday 2nd – 4th November - Church Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday 2ND December - Christmas Tree Lighting. Festivities @ The Parish Hall

Sunday 3rd December - Callington Gospel Choir. Tickets from Parish hall committee.

REMEMBRANCE;

Shirley Macevensoneya expresses her sincere thanks to everyone that sent the family condolences and heart felt words on the death of her husband Steve. Steve's funeral has now taken place at Barnstable with his family.

Gardening notes

Just a few notes to help you on your way, which we have gleaned from gardeners around the parish.

- Continue to deadhead your flowers, to prolong their season for as long as possible.
- Continue to remove tomato leaves and side shoots but don't forget to keep feeding them as long as they are still fruiting.
- Plant out the strawberry runners
- Sow the last salad leaves
- Plant leeks for winter consumption
- Stake tall plants which will be flowering soon, eg Chrysanthemums.
- Sow or plant out hardy annuals, such as Cornflower, Foxgloves, Sweet Williams and Wallflowers. The plants will be stronger next year.
- Harvest your onions and put to dry. Many people have small ones this year.
- Don't forget to make your compost using green and brown material, such as some leaves, twigs, hedge parings and cardboard.

- Also plant some green manures, such as phacelia, alfalfa which you might want to dig in in the Spring.

Everyone seems to have lots of runner beans and tomatoes, so make chutney or freeze

Runner Bean chutney

2 lbs sliced beans

4 small onions

1 ½ lbs Demerara Sugar

1 ½ Pts vinegar

1 ½ tablespoons mustard powder

1 ½ tablespoons turmeric

1 ½ tablespoons cornflour

Slice and boil the beans and chopped onions together in 1 pt boiling salted water until tender. Drain well.

Mince and boil with sugar and 1 ¼ pts vinegar for 15 minutes. Mix the dry ingredients with remaining ¼ pt vinegar and boil for 15 minutes with the bean mixture. Put into sterilized jars and cover as usual.

Festivities Group

The Festivities Group are pleased to say that we have a sponsor for the 2023 Christmas Tree. Our sincere thanks to St Dominick Community Shop for offering to sponsor the tree this year. We know how much pleasure the tree gives the Parish so we are delighted that the funds are made available by our wonderful shop. The tree will be lit on Saturday 2nd December and further and better particulars will follow nearer the time. Thank you, St Dominick Community Shop.

St Dominick Community Shop

It's been two months since our last article and after a busy July, as expected, things were quieter during the main holiday month of August.

Some really good news was that the Post Office service was back up and running. It has been much missed in the last 3 months so it is great to have Charles back in the Shop. The even better news is that the service will now be available two mornings a week – Tuesday and Friday – between the hours of 9.00 – 12.00 midday.

We have now sourced a new sourdough bread supplier after the closure of the Cornish Sourdough Bakery in May. In late June, we were very pleased to introduce a Redruth-based company, Baker Tom's range of bread & pastries to the Shop on Fridays. We mainly supply to customers that order but we do have a few spare loaves each week so you could try first and then if you would like to order, please let our one of our Volunteers know.

There is a change to the fish van service - it will now be coming fortnightly as trade has not been as lively as they had hoped in the last couple of months. It is a really great facility for the village and the fish is always super fresh so please do remember to use them to keep them coming here. A reminder that you can order your fish in advance by calling Pengelly's on 01503 262246 by no later than 1.00pm on the day before (Wednesday) and you can either collect from the van or ask that your order is left in the Shop for collection later in the day.

We can't quite believe it's September already (!) but here's what's coming up

September

First week – last December many of you voted for your favourite pictures in the St Dominic & St Mellion school children's Christmas card design competition. As promised at the time, we are having the winning designs

printed and sold in packs. There will be a limited supply so best to buy early to avoid disappointment. Apologies for mentioning C***** so early!

We will also have Whistlefish Cornwall 2024 calendars for sale in early September.

Tuesday 5th – the Recycling Trailer will be back and in the car park as normal at 10.30-10.40am.

Tuesday 12th – we have an offer running on chocolate milkshake – 20% off! Don't miss it.

Saturday 23rd - it's the autumn equinox so for the turn of the season we will be offering half price on firelighters

Thursday fortnightly fish van – if you want to catch the fish van this month then it will be in the car park on the 14th & 28th between 1.00-2.00pm.

The Shop Annual General Meeting is coming up this month to which all Shareholders are invited. If you are not a shareholder but would be interested in attending the AGM, you would be very welcome to join us as an observer to hear about progress in the last year and our up & coming plans. You will not be able to vote or ask a question as an observer but it may help you decide whether you would like to become a shareholder in the future. A reminder to all shareholders, if you would like to nominate yourself or another shareholder for a seat on the Shop Management Board, please complete the nomination form that will be sent to you with AGM papers in early September. Voting takes place at the AGM.

Shop AGM

**Tuesday 19th September 2023 at 7.30pm in the
Parish Hall. Arrival from 7.15pm.**

Thank you for your custom over the summer period. We look forward to seeing you in the Shop very soon.

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St Dominic Parish Church News

Toddler and Baby group continues to run on Thursday mornings in the Church for those that are under school age, from 9.30 until 11.30; the event is not structured, but a chance for young children to see others and play with different toys and for their carers to chat. We have a drink and biscuit and it is free. All are welcome.

Harvest Festival

This year we will celebrate Harvest on Sunday 8th October at the 10am Service in the Church, and Harvest Supper is on Monday 9th October in the Parish Hall. The tickets will be £10 and are available from Clare Lee, 01579 351381 or clareleepcc@btinternet.com. The Auction will be for The Childrens Society.

Autumn Prize Draw

The draw tickets are with the newsletter; all the money raised is to maintain the Church building as we are reliant on voluntary contributions. The other prizes include two Alpaca treks for 2 people at Bohetherick Farm. The draw will take place on Friday October 20th in the Parish Hall at a Quiz Evening with details to follow in the next newsletter. Please put these dates in your diary and watch out for the advertising.

St Dominic FC

This season is under way and the first team at writing this are sat at the top of the table. Under the same management as last season, they look to build on their cup win and go one better in the league this season. Martin Hunn takes on the reins in the second team, taking over from Dad, Darren. After relegation last season and a few faces disappearing he's recruited some fresh young talent and is hoping for a successful season.

The club is making improvements off the pitch as well. A new tea hut and storage container has been installed. New dugouts have been built by Jamie Blatchford. Both teams are in new kits this season thanks to two local businesses, RPB Motors and Radland Building Supplies. Tamar Fresh of Saltash have also sponsored brand new Polo shirts. We thank these businesses mentioned but also all of sponsors including our club sponsor, Burcombe Haulage.

If you are interested in sponsoring the club please contact secretary Martin Hunn. August winners of 50/50 lottery (£5 entry a month) Dave Jones £70 Lorna Potter £25. Again contact Martin for details on how to enter.

Dates for the Diary:

Sunday 27th August - Doms Day Out (charity walk between a few local establishments raising money for the club and St Luke's Hospice, in memory of Chloe Hunn. Registration is £25 and takes place between 9.30 and 10.30 at Callington Cricket Club. We'll leave there at 10.30 and be aiming to reach the Who'd at 12 noon. Everyone welcome.

Friday 28th September - Bingo (eyes down 7.30pm, village hall)

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