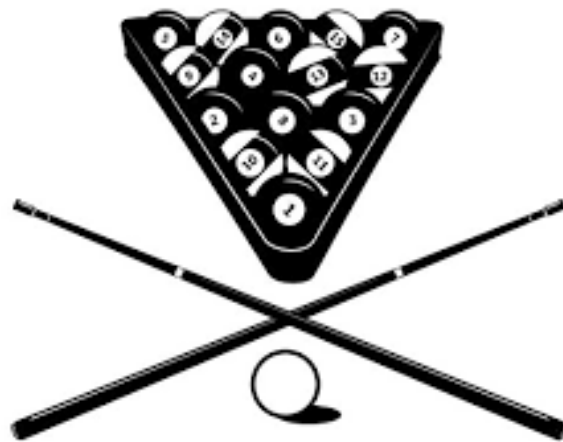


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St Dominic Snooker Club Handicap Cup Result

Saturday 18th April was the day that Tony Farrant and Tom Dunne contested the final of the handicap cup. Tony came out as the winner. Congratulations to Tony on winning and to Tom on getting to the final.

There was a presentation of trophy and prizes to the finalists, in the Who'd, followed by a Race Night to raise some much needed funds for the club. It was good to see so many in the pub to support the event and also supporting our local pub.

If anyone is interested in joining the club, membership forms are available from the pub. Contact details can also be found on the board outside the Victory Hall.

Marie Curie Coffee Morning

A coffee morning in aid of Marie Curie End of life care will be held at St Dominic Parish Hall on Saturday 30th May between 10 and 12. There will also be a chance to buy lots of bargains as you did last year.

Please come along and support this good cause. We will also be appealing for cakes, so if anyone has any to offer, please get in touch.



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St Dominick WI: Annual Meeting

On Wednesday 12th May members of the WI met for our Annual Meeting. We are very grateful to the committee members who have done an amazing job over the last year to plan, organise and undertake all the tasks that make a fabulous WI for us all. We watched a brilliant review of the year put together by Ann and realised how busy we have been every month last year! We have many days out together, fun celebrations (including our 80th Birthday!). We enjoy a monthly walk led by Judy, all the official business and brilliant talks organised by Sharon. We elected Kate Wilkinson as our President. Thank you to all officers that were elected for being prepared to work hard to create a vibrant, fun WI for us all.

We looked in detail at our proposed Resolutions for the year and for the whole of the country wide WI. Gill presented the two proposed Resolutions and we did a little quiz whilst Gill was talking, which highlighted some of the assailant and astonishing facts. These are 'Accessible Public Toilet Facilities' and 'Women and Homelessness'. We had a good discussion about the 2 topics.

A few members had selected photographs of a memorable time in their lives and shared their memories with everyone. It was a fascinating insight into our friends' lives.

Article written by Anne-Louise Mellor

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Next meeting: Wednesday 10th June features a talk by Trevor Smitheram entitled Cornish Dialect Stories.

If you would like to come along to our next monthly meeting, you are very welcome to come and meet us all. We meet in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm, £5 entry. For more information please contact Gill Brown at stdominick@cornwallwi.org.uk

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Parish Council Report for May 2026

I was a bit late for this meeting because I had been informed that voting for the new chairman was to take place at 6.45 and it was done IN SECRET. I turned up about 7.05 and the meeting was in progress, no mention of any voting. I am led to believe that there was only one nomination for chairman, this was for Alan Cox, the old chairman and voting was unanimously in favour. (Please don't let anyone buy his house). As the meeting was in full swing I assume he didn't protest too much, nor made much of an acceptance speech. Probably just a bit of muttering. It's very good of him, the Chairman's job is very time consuming.

Apologies from Councillor Brady, everyone else was present, including three members of the public, two were together for planning and the other one was the usual one.

Cornwall Councillor Long addressed everyone with news of the area, mainly the mining reports from Redmoor at Kelly Bray. We are to have thousands of jobs locally, Callington will no longer be a one pasty town! I'm not sure when.

Then we had the planning which was all alright, and one member of the public left and two remained.

We had the usual discussion on Dilletts footpath, which is still the same as it has been for a year or so now so hopefully it will be done soon. The footpath on the St Dominica trail is still wired off, the matter is in hand but it appears to be tied in with something else.

Still looking for a place to site the salt and grit bin at Halton Quay, being privately owned. It's alright, they won't need it for several months yet. The owners didn't want a seat there because there's no litter bin and there can't be a litter bin because there's no commercial collection down there; and do you know I've forgotten who wanted a seat there in the first place! The new wall sign has arrived to replace the old one which a) disintegrated and b) said "you are here" when in fact you were not "here" you were somewhere else.

Speaking of signs, the sign is still in the offing which says "Unsuitable for HGVs" or similar to prevent lorries from becoming stuck at Oak Tree.

There had been no work done at Baber on the houses. Councillor Fry had been going to send photographs to the clerk and said he would. He will do this before he compiles his list of accidents on M & S Corner which he is currently doing. The wood for the bookshelves in the bus shelter is in a prominent position now and they will be erected imminently.

Lovells park is still awaiting the annual inspection from ROSPA. Fingers crossed there.

Councillor Hughes had his results from the survey in the last Parish News. Unfortunately this had only been delivered in the last week but it appeared to overwhelmingly show so far that out

of fifty nine respondents, only nine people in the parish did not want to do keep fit in the field. Councillor Potter had done research at another parish who reported that children liked it but ours is only for the use of over fourteen year olds, so that would have to be monitored. Apparently grants are available.

Councillor Wenmoth had been asked for a basketball ring. No one appeared to know, including me, how to play basketball but it appears to need a hard square in which to bounce the ball so the National Trust would need to be involved (for their permission).

After a public outcry with regard to the spraying of pavement weeds Cornwall Council is having a rethink. Perhaps if the gym equipment fails they could spend the money on a few shovels and people can get their exercise by clearing their own weeds and drains, which some do.

The council was asked by a resident to consider giving their backing to a vote of no confidence in South West Water organised by the Dwr Glan campaign, which they duly did, along with other parish councils. This provoked a conversation re SWWA which perhaps I misunderstood but when someone said "You couldn't write it", I thought perhaps I wouldn't and maybe a water expert might come to a meeting sometime.

The meeting over ran a bit, there were things not brought up because of time but nothing important.

The next meeting is the first Wednesday in June at 7.00, all welcome. After that on the 17th June it's the Annual Parish Meeting when representatives from all organizations are invited to come along and tell you what they do. It would be nice if everyone sent someone and also if some of the public came along

to hear what they've got to say otherwise they're just speaking to each other. There is also an opportunity to interrogate your councillors on their attendance record, achievements etc. to see if they're earning their expenses (Which are nothing, in case you wondered). Most importantly, there is free tea and biscuits.

You can leave at any time if you want to and if you go before the end, you don't even have to put your own chair back.

The contact details for the Clerk to Parish Council are: Anne-Marie Clark, Clerk to St Dominic Parish Council, 7 Church Street, Landrake, Cornwall PL12 5ER clerk@stdominic-pc.gov.uk. Parish Council website: <https://www.stdominicpc.org.uk>

If you prefer the official minutes of the meeting, you can always view them on St Dominic Parish Council website here:

<https://www.stdominic-pc.gov.uk> The Clerk will be only too pleased to think that someone is actually reading them.

St Dominick Church Craft Fair

The May Fair in the Church was very successful raising over £2,800 to maintain the Historic Building for use by everyone in the Parish, not only the regular worshipers.

We were also able to showcase and sell amazing craft made by relatively local people on their behalf. We continue to seek new stallholders so that there is a variety of goods for sale whilst keeping the most popular stalls.

The help and support by many in the area in running the event is much appreciated and a big thanks to all of you.

Autmn Show 2026 is nearly here!

Don't forget to prepare your entries for the Autumn show this year. Here are some past winners, how many do you recognise? We think this might be 2010 but perhaps you know better?



SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Classes for Adults and Juniors In Flowers, Vegetables and Fruit, Floral Arrangements, Cookery, Handicrafts, Art and Photography

ST DOMINICK PARISH HALL

DOORS OPEN 2.30 pm to 5.00 pm

Cups to be Presented at 4.00pm followed by the Raffle



ST DOMINICK DIARY

Parish Church services

June 2026

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|-----------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| Sun 7 th | 18:00 | Cornish Evening Prayer at Halton Quay |
| Sun 14 th | 10:00 | Holy Communion |
| Tues 23 rd | 09:30 | Midweek Communion |
| Sun 28 th | 10:00 | Contemporary Celtic Worship |

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

Toddler Group Thursdays: June, 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

From 9.30 to 11.30 – Free - informal play and chat, open to all under school age with an adult.

Churchwarden:

Jessop Price; pricejessop@gmail.com; 01579 350049

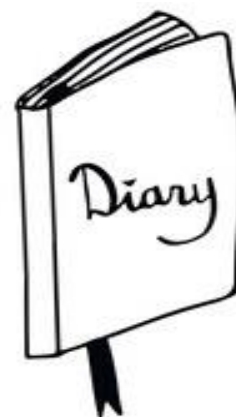
Methodist Services:

Sundays 6pm Through June

MAY

26th Hobbies, Parish Hall 1-5. Just turn up with something to do or read. Small charge, tea and biscuits.

30th Marie Curie Coffee Morning and tabletop sale. 10.00 – 12 See Article



JUNE

3rd Parish Council meeting, all welcome Parish Hall 7.00

9th Hobbies as above

10th W.I. Parish Hall

17th Annual Parish Meeting 7.00 Parish Hall. All welcome, please come

21st Annual cream tea at Beech Haven

23rd Hobbies as above

24th Pub Quiz. Teams of about 6. 8.00

26th Library Parish Hall car park 11.45 – 12.05

Later in the year...

9th August - Annual gymkhana and dog show

12th Sept - Annual Autumn show

17th Sept - Community Shop AGM

12th Oct - Harvest Supper Parish Hall

5th, 6th and 7th Nov - Craft Fair St Dominick church

28th Nov - Christmas tree switch on

St. Dominick Hand Bell Ringers Fridays 7.30pm - 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

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

Items for the Diary page to: ourparishnews@gmail.com by the 15th of each month.

St Dominick Community Shop

Our bedding plants have been flying out of the Shop – over 70 pots or trays were sold in just a few days! Thank you so much for your support.

Along with our weekly special offers on our regular stock, we now have a £1 shelf with a wonderful selection of items you know & love for just £1. Look for the red stickers in the soft drinks section and have a regular browse so you can pick up a few bargains every week. We will continue to do our best to bring you great prices as & when we can.

Congratulations to these lottery winners since our last article:

18th April – Adrian Hicks - £28

25th April – Martin Hunn - £31

2nd May – Sandy Prosser - £40

9th May – Clare Lee - £49

Here's what's coming up in June:

Cheese of the month – another summery cheese in the fridge this month – halloumi. Really delicious fried, grilled or BBQ'd – the natural alternative to a meat burger & great with salad sides.

Friday 5th & 26th June – the fish van service The Market Plaice delivers to the village every 3rd Friday. To order, email Rob on contact@themarketplaiceplymouth.co.uk and you can have your fish delivered or ask for it to be left in the Shop for collection later in the day. Please order by no later than two days before, Wednesday 5pm.

Friday 26th June – it's national Cream Tea Day so we will be bundling up all the essentials you need so you can enjoy one of the quintessential Cornish treats!

Every Friday – our weekly Post Office service is available between 9.00-12.00 midday. A reminder that you can withdraw or deposit money in your bank account as well as posting letters and parcels.

Every Saturday - you can get hot pasties – steak, steak & gravy and cheese & onion as well as sausage rolls from our pasty warmer between 10.00-1.00pm. If you like to order in advance, please let one of our Volunteers know by no later than 5.30pm on the Thursday before.

The summer sporting tournaments start this month – the World Cup on 11th June and Wimbledon on 29th June - and we will be running some special offers so do keep an eye on Facebook and posters/ shelf labels in the Shop.

Please shop local and support your Community Shop. We hope to see you very soon.

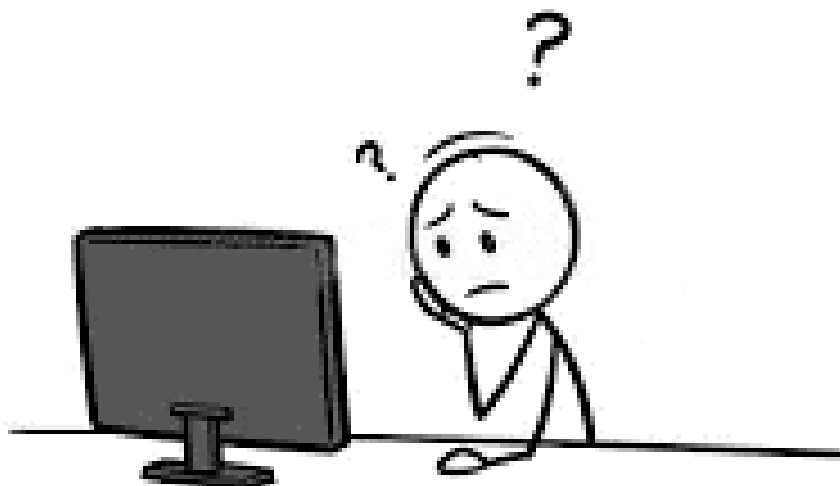
Support for Technology problems.

AbilityNet is a charity aiming to help older adults and disabled people with technology. You can call their **helpline on 0300 180 0028**. Calls charged at national rates.

You can email at enquiries@abilitynet.org.uk

You can request a home visit by a security checked volunteer via a form on their website abilitynet.org.uk

I'd be grateful for any feedback you have on using any of their services to gillian.brown@stdominic-pc.gov.uk or see me in the community shop.





Saltash Red Bus



Every Thursday, pick up in St Dominick. Please be at the bus stop at the times below. No pre-booking is needed.

10AM CHURCH / 10.05AM SCHOOL

Date	Destination	Fare
4 th June	Waitrose/Saltash/Tamar View Garden Centre (90mins)	£4
11 th June	Tavistock (2 hours)	£6
18 th June	Waitrose/Saltash/Tamar View Garden Centre (90mins)	£4
25 th June	Derriford M&S Foodhall, Aldi, The Range (90 min)	£6
2 nd July	Sainsburys Marsh Mills	£6
9 th July	Waitrose/ Saltash/Tamar View Garden Centre	£4
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River Rights for the Tamar - A Manifesto

The River Tamar is not just a backdrop to our lives.

It is a living presence that shapes this landscape, sustains wildlife, carries history, and connects communities.

For centuries, people have travelled its waters — from early traders and merchants to the Romans who established a presence here. The Tamar became a boundary, a route, and a lifeline. Its banks supported thriving market gardens, its waters carried industry and story, and it forms part of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape, now recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Figures such as Francis Drake are woven into its wider history, while older traditions speak of journeys like that of Saint Indract, who landed at Halton Quay.

This is a river that has always mattered.

But today, it faces growing pressure.

Pollution, degraded habitats, and decisions made without the river's needs at the centre are placing its future at risk.

We believe this must change.

Following the People's Assembly in Calstock, our community committed to working towards a River Rights Charter for the Tamar within the Parish. Calstock Parish Council has now passed a motion to explore this within one year.

Our starting point is simple:

The Tamar matters not only for what it gives us, but for what it is.

We are creating a new way of thinking and acting locally one in which the health of the river becomes a shared public responsibility.

This means:

- giving the river a voice through River Guardians
- identifying and monitoring the pressures affecting it
- developing clear indicators of river health
- combining science, local knowledge, and lived experience
- grounding our work in the cultural history and stories of the Tamar
- building a Charter that expresses the rights the river needs in order to thrive

We believe the River Tamar has the right:

- to flow
- to be free from pollution
- to support life and biodiversity
- to recover where it has been harmed
- to be protected from exploitation
- to be represented in decisions that affect its future

This is not about symbolism alone.

It is about changing the terms of the conversation.

Too often we ask what can be taken from a river, what can be built beside it, or what can be discharged into it.

We want to ask a different question:

What does the river need to thrive?

Because when the river thrives, wildlife thrives. Communities thrive. Future generations inherit something living, not broken.

This manifesto is an invitation — to residents, councillors, local organisations, landowners, river users, and all who care about this place.

Help us shape a Charter that reflects both ecological reality and shared values.

Help us create a future in which the Tamar is not only defended when damaged, but recognised as worthy of care in its own right.

The story of the Tamar is still being written.

Let this be the moment when we begin to listen — and act.

An Article provided by Nick Shapland

A resident of St Dominick and member of Drip Drip Tamar.

Nick is one voice of many who care about the river Tamar and want to see it thrive.

www.dripdriptamar.org

Parish Hall Plant Sale – thank you

Thank you to everyone who attended and spent some £'s at the Plant Sale on Saturday 16th. I am delighted to report that we raised around £1300 for hall improvements. Thank you to all volunteers who baked delicious cakes, who grew plants and who helped out. St Dominick working together at its best.

Charmian Saunders

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