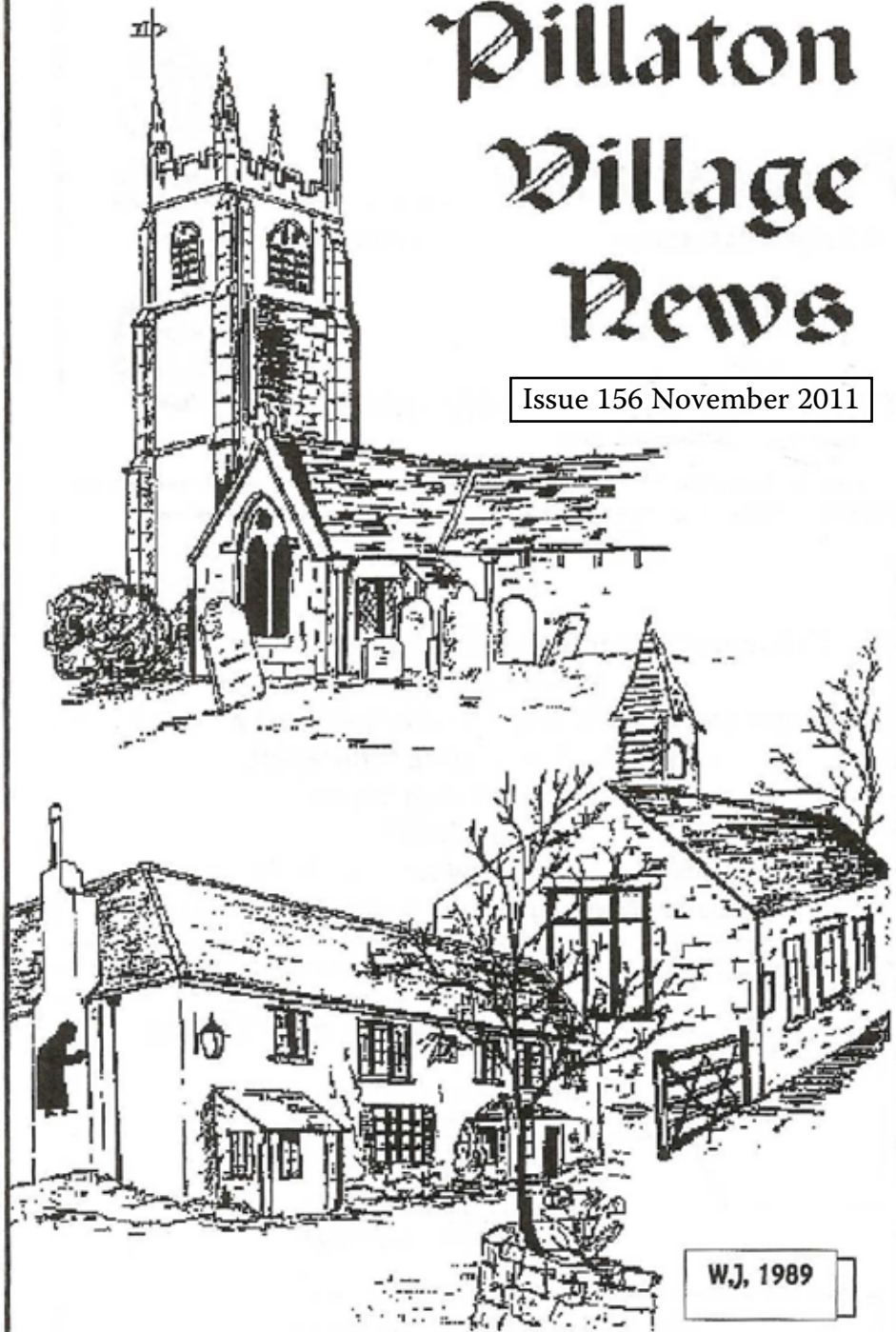


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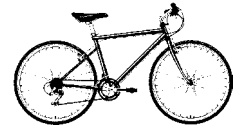
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As the days get shorter and with the approach of Christmas (*the C-word*), time spent on the internet seems to get proportionately longer. The web may be a wonderful thing, but I often wonder how much time and stress it actually saves. On the one hand in seconds the village website can be checked for events, but by contrast, seemingly simple decisions are confused by endless choice. Twenty years ago it would have seemed impossible that consulting cute little meerkats with improbable Russian accents, would be commonplace.

Paying for electricity in the past was never a problem. You simply complained about the scandalous price and then grudgingly paid your SWEB bill. Today you still have the obligatory moan, but then endure a frustrating internet hunt for cheaper providers. Even after switching, you still have those experience nagging doubts about getting the best deal.

Choosing holidays seems to have become more complex. Simple internet searches for hotels throw up myriad possibilities, all needing thorough research. Helpful little thumbnail images of the accommodation can be carefully scrutinised, but then you end up making a totally irrational decision just because the night porter looked shift. Those claimed massive savings with online cheap flights can be very elusive. With one airline (*rhymes with Brian*) it is possible to get a bargain, but only if you have a debit card valid in Mogadishu and just a pair of underpants and toothbrush for luggage. Even then you will have to cross your legs and hope your plane arrives within 100 miles of your chosen destination.

Online Christmas shopping is all very fine in theory. Just type in what you want and dozens of sellers appear, but is there a gold plated delivery charge and is VAT included? Having placed your order, you experience all the stress of hoping your precious parcel makes it in time for Christmas.

Although it may be a little early, whatever your frustrations with the internet, as this is the last edition before Christmas, Seasons Greetings to all readers of the Village News.

Next copy date 9th January 2012 - full details on page 23.

Robin Dwane

PILLATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 21 September 2011

ATTENDANCE Cllrs. Dolley, Hoskin, Edwards, D. Floyd, S. Floyd, Martin and District Councillor Egglestone.

APOLOGIES Cllr Harris.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Hoskin, Dolley, S. Floyd and Martin declared a personal interest in payments in respect of the Village Hall improvements.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was one member of the public present. Mr. Millward thanked the Council for erecting netting behind the goal, but queried the colour and position of the salt bin at the top of the village. Mr. Millward also complained that the dog bin contents had overflowed. It was explained to Mr. Millward that it was easier to move salt downhill from the salt bin rather than carry it uphill hence the siting of the salt bin and that yellow was a suitable colour to identify health and safety equipment. The Chairman told Mr. Millward that the overflowing of the dog bin was a one off caused by the non-attendance of the collection vehicle. However Cllrs Hoskin and Martin kindly volunteered to supply bags should a similar event occur in the future. The Chairman also told Mr. Millward that the position of the dog bin was dictated by ensuring the safety of the persons using the bin.

MINUTES

The Minutes of 18th July 2011 meeting were accepted unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk was requested to ask Highways if the ribbed lines at the entrance to the Village would be restricted to 3 lines and to ask who had erected the road closed signs at Mushton Lane.

VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENTS

Cllr Martin gave a detailed update on the progress of the Hall Improvement scheme and was thanked by the Chairman for his efforts.

The Council decided to pay the Kernock Park Plants invoice of £1,863

(from grants received) having been assured there were sufficient funds to pay for planting.

PLANNING PERMISSION

The Council drew the attention to the work being carried out at Polborder to District Councillor Egglestone who undertook to raise the matter to Cornwall Council enforcement officer.

FINANCE

The Bank position of Current account £595 and deposit account £4,942 was noted.

The following payments were approved:

£26.57 for repairs at the field, £60 village hall hire, £60 audit fee.

A commitment was made to accept a quotation of £824.80 for completing the fence at the field.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Edwards was thanked for completing safety inspections for the play park equipment and carrying out repairs.

District Councillor Egglestone informed the Council that she had received confirmation from Cornwall Council that the repair of Mary Moon Close was in hand.

The Chairman said that there was a proposal to raise funds to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

Chairman Mr. Dolley

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PILLATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 19 October 2011

Attendance Cllrs. Dolley, Hoskin, Edwards, D. Floyd, S. Floyd & Martin.

Apologies Cllr Harris and District Councillor Egglestone.

Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Hoskin, Dolley, S. Floyd, Edwards and Martin declared a personal interest in payments in respect of the Village Hall improvements.

Public Forum There were no members of the public present.

Minutes

The minutes of the 21 Sep 2011 meeting were accepted unanimously.

Matters Arising

The Council had been informed by District Councillor Egglestone that the work being carried out at Polborder had been approved by the Cornwall Council enforcement officer.

Village Hall Improvements

The Chairman explained that there had been no progress at the Hall Improvement scheme in terms of resurfacing the entrance area. The Council decided to not to pay the project management firm until an up to date budget review form had been received.

Planning Permission

The Council approved planning applications in respect of repairs to the Mausoleum and kitchen garden wall at Pentillie, but were unable to support the revised application for 13 Briars Ryn extension on the basis that the plans were inconsistent.

Finance

The Bank position of Current account £2,544 and deposit account £4,502 was noted.

The following payment was approved: £12 village hall hire.

The Council reviewed the proposed precept for 2012 to 2013 and called for revisions to be made for approval at the November meeting.

Any Other Business None.

Chairman Mr. Dolley

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PILLATON PLAYGROUND PROJECT NEWS

Members of the Pillaton Village Hall Committee met recently with the local artist David Whittley, who specialises in mural painting. He is well known in the local area and has worked previously with communities to produce some fantastic works of art, including the mural at Saltash waterfront and the large mural at Tesco in Callington.

David has been commissioned by the Pillaton Playground Project and met with David Dolley and Sue White to view the entries made as part of the Village Hall Mural Competition. So impressed was David with the quality of the entries submitted, that elements from all of them will be incorporated into the mural.

The Pillaton Playground Project continues to work to improve the Village Hall garden area and the playing field. The garden area of the village hall is soon to be cleared and prepared by ground workers, as it is anticipated that in November planting will commence. If you would like to become involved, the Project team is looking for volunteers to help out with the planting. Please keep an eye on the Village Notice boards as volunteers will be required. Even if you feel you are not able to plant, perhaps you could help in other ways i.e. by supplying refreshments to those that are! All offers of help will be gratefully received or just come along for a nose!



Artist David Whittley (left) and Dave Dolley

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations



A meeting was held in Pillaton Village Hall on Friday 4 November to discuss the format for celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee next year. The celebrations will take place in the Village on Monday 4 June 2012. Some of the suggestions were a Barbeque/food, a Tug of War, a Fireworks Display, the Lighting of a Beacon, Children's games and a Tea dance with 50's music.

In order to raise some funds for the above we are proposing to hold the following events:

- Skittles evening (March)
- Duck Race and Car Boot Sale at Rick Park Farm (May Day weekend)
- Valentines Dinner (February)

If you would like to help with the organisation of these celebrations and wish to attend further meetings please contact Dave Dolly on (01579) 350159. The next meeting will take place at the end of January 2012.



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PILLATON WI

SEPTEMBER

If, like me, you are enchanted by the effect of light shining on coloured glass, you would have loved Mandy Copson's "show and tell" presentation that Pillaton WI members enjoyed at their September meeting.

Standing in at the last minute for the scheduled speaker, whose topic would have been "Willow Work", Mandy gave us a potted history of how she got started in working with glass, and in particular, fused or "Dichroic" glass craft. Spread on the table in front of her were samples of current projects, and her talk demonstrated the techniques, sometimes virtually unchanged since medieval times, used to create pieces of art in glass. We loved the window she has designed for St Mellion School, working with the children to incorporate themes based on subject disciplines such as maths and reading.

Trained as a schoolteacher, Mandy combines her skills as a crafts person and artist with those as a teacher to get the best from the children.

I have often seen glass "light catchers" on sale in craft galleries. Mandy made one in front of our very eyes, in the shape of a yacht, cutting out the little sails and the hull (joking about the importance of not cutting fingers, but oops! She did!) and showing us how she fuses the pieces together with metallic Sellotape and solder. The Dichroic glass work is quite complex, needing a special type of glass made in Oregon and needing to be fused in a kiln. She demonstrated the techniques for creating bowls, coasters and her trademark jewellery, again with many sample pieces on display for us to enjoy or even purchase if we wished. Finally, Mandy told us that she also offers workshops for adults in her studio, an opportunity some of our members were keen to take up.

The business meeting brought us up to date after the summer recess and highlighted various items from both the County News and also of local community importance.

Matters to note included the WI Garden Party at Port Eliot, the rise in WI subscriptions for 2012, the Annual Council Meeting on 19 October and the Agatha Christie day on 14 November. Locally, we are reminded that the village skittles league started on 13 October and players are needed for the WI team. Member Jackie Moss also kindly invited WI ladies along on 1 October for coffee and a chance to visit their recently installed Solar Energy farm.

Anne Henderson

OCTOBER

Ann Henderson usually writes all of the WI report. However at this time Ann and Alison Downing are enjoying themselves on a trip to China. So Ann asked me if I would try and step into her shoes for this month.

Before I start, I gather that Alison is going down a storm in China with all, well lots anyway of Chinese wanting to have their photos taken with her as, according to Ann, she epitomises English ladies. For myself I think it is due to her fame from having been in the latest film of Alice in Wonderland!

However back to the WI. Our October meeting is traditionally our harvest celebration, which of course means a party! I've said before that we do parties well in Pillaton and this evening was no exception. Before I tempt you all with some idea of what fare was on offer, I must make mention of the important business section of our meeting. This month some of the items on our agenda were the forthcoming collection for Operation Sunshine (and please see more about this on the village website), the unscrambling of a suggested plea to the Government regarding sexualisation of young children and the meeting next spring where we will have entertainment from the Larrick Lads and when several other WIs will come to join us. The last item on our agenda was, guess what, another party, our Christmas party!

So with thoughts of Christmas floating around we tucked into our harvest supper. For this each of us brings a plate of something so the variety is huge. This time we had such things as peri peri chicken fillets, mini kebabs, scotch eggs, vegetable pizza, prawns and smoked salmon and lots of interesting and varied salads. Dessert included several flans and pies including a treacle tart. (Jenny Francis made this and she is famous for her treacle tarts!) The meal was accompanied by lots of chat and laughter so all in all, I hope the other members would agree with me that we had a very pleasant time.

Pam Lowther

Pillaton WI is a friendly group and welcomes new members. Come along and meet us! If you would like to know more about Pillaton WI, please contact Ann Henderson on 01579 351289.



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Further to a previous item about the high speed broadband, updates on the Superfast Cornwall website (www.superfastcornwall.org) indicate that we in Pillaton (on the St. Dominick exchange) could have fast broadband connectivity by the end of 2012. Currently there is no more specific date and it looks as though rumours that we may have the faster service earlier, via the Callington exchange, were unfounded.

Users on Callington, Gunnislake, Liskeard and Saltash exchanges (Saltash is actually a separate project) should all have high speed broadband available by December this year.

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OUR DREAMS BECOME A REALITY

We had all dreamed of painting 'en plein air' in France and discussed it often. We hoped one day, it would come true and this year, our dreams became a reality! Eleven students of professional artist, Yvette Wiltshire, left Cornwall in 2 groups for 2 weeks between 26th June and 10th July to fly to Geneva.

We were met by Yvette our tutor, and transported from Geneva to Haute Savoie in the French Alps. The scenery was breath-taking. We could see the snow glistening on the peaks of Mt Blanc in the distance. Were we really here? Or were we still dreaming? No! It was real and we spent a fantastic 2 weeks 'en Haute Savoie', based in the beautiful Val D'Arly region, in a small village near the towns of Flumet, Megève and not too far from Chamonix and Mt Blanc.

Our hosts, Michelle and Mark, gave us a very warm welcome to their beautiful home. They have transformed a rundown chalet in the village of St Nicolas La Chapelle, into a very comfortable and luxurious 'Chambre d'hôte', providing year round accommodation for skiers, painters, mountain bikers and less energetic visitors! Michelle's cuisine was excellent and of a very high standard –not quite what 'Weight Watchers' and 'Rosemary Conley' would include in their meal plans, but it was sumptuous!

Our tutor, Yvette, travelled to France a few days ahead of the first group and made the final plans for the locations to be used throughout the 2 weeks. We would not be disappointed. Many of us had looked into painting holidays abroad and I for one, had been reluctant to explore further. Because of the cost involved and not knowing how good it would be, I had been very apprehensive to embark on such a holiday; always having questions in the back of my mind, such as, 'Would it be an expensive and disastrously regrettable experience?' I have to say that, knowing our tutor for well over 7 years made all the difference in arriving at my decision. We knew what would be expected of us as students and likewise, that the standard of our tuition would be very high. We were not disappointed. Yvette's attention to the tiniest of details ensured that it was not only very enjoyable but also an invaluable painting experience for us all.

The locations chosen, usually contained water somewhere in the vicinity!! I find 'Reflection' exercises particularly challenging in watercolour. During the week, I managed to 'avoid it at all cost', but on one particular morning, the first task of the day was...yes... 'Reflections'. The beautiful mountain scene with a lake in the foreground, forest in the mid and mountains in the distance, with the light constantly changing so dramatically! In the blink of an eye, the sun and mountains had been completely obliterated by huge banks of clouds!

Then the beautifully still waters in the lake would be interrupted by a sudden rush of wind, creating all kinds of ripples and reflective distortions on the water's surface! I persevered, even though I was quite unsuccessful. During the evening's 'critique', poor Yvette struggled to find any constructive and encouraging criticisms of the, dare I say, 'painting'.

Yvette was constantly on hand, involved in demonstrating to a group or each of us individually, which increased our confidence and improved our skills. After each day's painting, we returned to our comfortable chalet to amazingly tasty, home baked cakes, which were being baked as we ate breakfast... wonderful aromas of home cooking! And of course, a very welcome cup of tea made all the more enjoyable by our luxurious surroundings. It was at this juncture that we had a 'critique' of our 'chef d'oeuvres' for the day. Much discussion and hilarity ensued. All very light-hearted banter, but nevertheless, very helpful to us all to offer each other ideas of how to improve the painting either in its composition, colours chosen, texture, light, perspective or reflection.

Supper was cooking during these sessions... after which, just time for a shower and an aperitif before a wonderful 3 course dinner with lots of lovely regional wine! Michelle's cuisine is excellent and varied. We had wonderful pork, lamb shanks, duck, fish, chicken and a wonderful traditional regional dish of Haute Savoie. The starters were very creatively arranged and the puddings were 'to die for'! Particularly the chocolate dessert which involved the use of 'Toblerone'!!

I am sure that I am not alone when I say the holiday was a huge success in every respect. Look on the websites for 'Art with Yvette' and 'True Alpine. com' to see what is on offer. It really is value for money. Our tariff was full board, (Pension) and included packed lunch for each day in the field, with teas and coffees included in our daily fare. Mark was our chauffeur taking us to each of the locations. He began to sketch and paint in watercolour. The huge improvements made were visible for all to see as he too, had the 'painting bug'. We look forward to seeing his progression when we return next year.

I feel confident to embark on such a venture again, but as I said at the beginning, knowing the tutor made all the difference to the outcome. 'Word of mouth' is a far more powerful advertising medium. Michelle and Mark are testimony to this. When reading their 'Visitors' Book', it was evident that many of their guests are 'regulars', whether it is for the winter sport or summer activities on offer. Come and join us.... next year, 4 weeks of painting are being offered! I don't remember feeling so relaxed after a holiday, ever!

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FRUIT CASE

The dancing leaves of these last few days are a joy, delicious rufus tones that dance as they waywardly descend, to carpet the gardens and pathways with a chaos of colour. The fun will abruptly halt as soon as the rain starts, when the slipping and sliding begins, and we are all forced to clear the leaves before they propel us into A & E !

I started my autumn cut back early this year, as I knew by the time autumn had really denuded the trees, I would be far too busy with family matters. Over a period of weeks I managed to amass a quite splendid pile of brash, pruning and branches. I can say with pride it was truly the largest mess I have ever managed to make!

I had warned Gary in advance and he turned up with a smaller trailer than usual, and both he and Sonia were only just able to squeeze it all on, after a fair amount of bouncing. I felt guilty as I was unable to help them load up, as my hand was newly stitched from a 'trigger finger' operation, they worked hard and fast. I was truly thankful they had managed to clear the drive as the family were due to arrive the next day... a van of household effects and a carload, including my new week old grandson. It's a bit like the buses....[well hardly in Pillaton] ...you wait forever and then three come at once.

May is my favourite month, as Spring is my favourite season, so full of repeated delights. I never tire of the endless renewal of nature as I grow older, and less fresh myself !

Autumn has great beauty with the sadness of the passing warmth of summer, anticipation of the chills of winter and the problems that it may bring. The season has a wonderful palette, and whilst the trees are still in leaf and the weather remains dry, we have a wonderful backdrop to our 'tucking the garden up for winter'.... clearing bean frames away, removing as much litter as possible where those wretched slugs will overwinter. We have to cut down and put away, things that get damaged or blown away in bad weather, there are ponds to tidy and net from rotting leaves, greenhouses to bubble-wrap, outside pipes to protect against frost damage, and all those pots of new bulbs to put under the

greenhouse shelves ready for the doorstep displays next spring.

A few weeks ago I was admiring the valley view over the Lynher to the fields beyond and became aware of the repeated hailing of a man's voice some distance off.

On the far field I saw a man alight from his tractor and continuing his call, it was then I realised he was calling the cows, who were some distance away across the next field, the game was clearly visible to me on the opposite hill, but must have been far more difficult for the communicants.

Slowly, one by one the cows responded, as they became aware of the farmer they seemed magnetically drawn to him, the younger ones with enthusiastic trotting, older cows with heavier responsibilities who had seen and heard it all before, ambled at a more sedate pace. I found it rather touching that symbiotic relationship of man and beast played out on the green fields on a sunny late summer morning. We take so much for granted, a tiny section of the farmer's world, a few minutes of interest for me, but in reality a small part of the very busy day of a local farmer.

My daughter and partner have come to live with me for a year, whilst she has her maternity break, enabling them to save sufficient to buy a house of their own. Up to this point I have got on very well with my family, they are very tolerant of my tactlessness and somewhat crass humour and, in return I put up with her 'nuts and berries' lifestyle and weird politics (...she does work for 'The Guardian').

Luckily I have a large linear bungalow, enabling them to have one end and me the other with the reception acting as everybody's land rather than a 'No Man's Land'.

It is hard the imprint this on the mind on an extremely active and precocious two year old....bolts have had to be fitted to protect property and sanity.....

My friends have made enough comments in response to this self-inflicted sanity threatening situation ,to fill a book... the best was just put plenty of valium in the sandwiches,theirs or mine!

Jan Simms

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20 Nov	Sunday	1000 Morning Service	St. Mellion
		1115 Sung Eucharist	St. Dominick
22 Nov	Tuesday	0915 Said Mass; coffee/biscuits afterwards in Church Hall	St. Mellion
24 Nov	Thursday	Church News Copy Date Dec/Jan12	
27 Nov	Sunday	<i>Advent Sunday</i>	
		1000 Morning Service with Advent Carols	Pillaton
		1115 Sung Eucharist	Landulph
29 Nov	Tuesday	0915 Said Eucharist	St. Mellion
03 Dec	Saturday	1000 Christmas Coffee Clack Rectory Room	Cargreen
04 Dec	Sunday	1000 Morning Service	Landulph
		1115 Eucharist with Hymns	St. Mellion
06 Dec	Tuesday	0915 Said Eucharist	St. Mellion
		1400 St. Mellion School Production	St. Mellion
07 Dec	Wednesday	1800 St. Mellion School Production	St. Mellion
08 Dec	Thursday	1930 Deanery Synod	St Nicholas & St Faith
09 Dec	Friday	1430 St. Mellion School Service	St. Mellion
11 Dec	Sunday	1000 Benefice Toy Service	Pillaton
		1115 Sung Eucharist	St. Dominick
13 Dec	Tuesday	0915 Said Eucharist	St. Mellion
14 Dec	Wednesday	1900 Nine Lessons & Carols (Mince Pies & Mulled Wine)	Pillaton
15 Dec	Thursday	1400 St. Mellion School Carol Service	St. Mellion
		1900 Carol Service at the Church	Landulph

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>
18 Dec	Sunday	1000 Benefice Eucharist with Bishop Tim	St. Dominick
		1700 Carols /a Tree / Mulled Wine/Mince Pies Church Hall	St. Mellion
20 Dec	Tuesday	0915 Said Eucharist	St. Mellion
		1200 Christmas Pasty Lunch Rectory Room	Cargreen
24 Dec	Saturday	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	
		1700 Christingle	St. Dominick
		2330 Midnight Mass (Fr. Gordon Cryer)	Landulph
		2330 Benefice Midnight Mass (Fr. Peter Bollens)	St. Dominick
25 Dec	Sunday	<i>Christmas Day</i>	
		1000 Christmas Day Benefice Matins/Family Service	Pillaton
27 Dec	Tuesday	0915 Said Eucharist (not confirmed)	St. Dominick

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