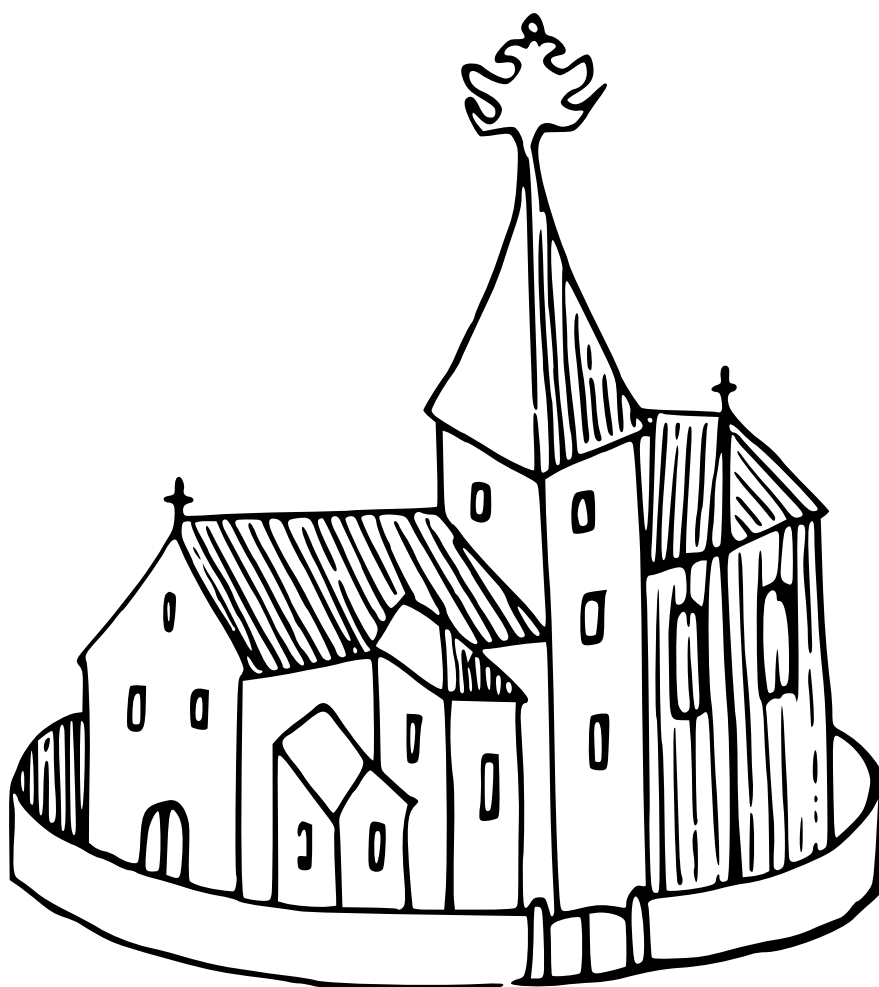


**THE PARISH OF ST BREOKE &
EGLOSHAYLE IN WADEBRIDGE**

Annual Report 2019



**A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF THE
PARISH**

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Each committee/group has compiled a brief synopsis of their year. For more information, contact the individual convenor/leader directly.

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Kew Highway, BODMIN

HONORARY TREASURER: Helen Hyland, Trebartha, Fernleigh Road,
WADEBRIDGE

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR Jessica Lawrence, 9 Lemellen Gardens, St
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PURPOSE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils Powers Measure. The PCC is exempted by Order from registration with the Charity Commission.

The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules.

The PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church; pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC meets bi-monthly alternating with the Standing Committee. The PCC holds a Forward Planning meeting on an annual Away Day for the consideration of broader strategic issues.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

In 2019 we had 10 weddings, 6 Baptisms and 27 Funeral Services.

During the transition, we tried to keep as many of the usual events running as smoothly as possible. Some of you may not be aware of what goes on behind the scenes and how much work it takes to keep the place ticking over but trust me when I say that the running of the Parish is exactly like church; a body of people, a family, working together, loving God and hoping that our time, effort and service will somehow reflect our love of Jesus. The good news of Jesus doesn't leave when a vicar does, but I certainly felt the strain of the workload and uncertainty without a Priest in charge. It did however teach a lot of us that the work that clergy does is extensive, and that we must continue as a team to all work together to take the Parish forward. It also taught us to be prayerfully hopeful of what was and is to come.

Rev Steve Payne was appointed before the end of the year and we have already started to build up a good working relationship and I look forward to seeing where the journey takes us all.

There are too many people to thank for their support this year but to those who have worked hard and gave so much time to keep this Parish running, you know who you are and I am so grateful for your help in 2019 and continued encouragement and assistance in 2020.

Jessica Lawrence



Craft Fayre



Barn Dance



Live Nativity

FABRIC REPORTS

Egloshayle

The proposal to install new Chancel furniture has been put on hold given the high cost and the failure to secure the grant that we had been hoping to obtain. Also on hold, at the request of the RBL, is the proposal to lay-up the RNA Standard. The slate slabs stolen from the gateway on the Tower Hill have been replaced, and a thank you to Steve Watkins for arranging and coordinating this. A thank you also to Churchwarden Craig for fitting the new punch lock to the Tower Door. There are problems of damp around this door which need investigation. There are also some roof slates which at some stage had nails through them which are awaiting replacement. The “tower” sockets installed in the new kitchen facility and which had regularly fused have been replaced by 4 tabletop sockets, and the problem opening and closing the pivoting worktop has been resolved. In the churchyard the fallen horsechestnut will need to be removed and arrangements are in hand to fell the dead horsechestnut which stands close to the boundary with **the former Vicarage**.

St Breoke

Within the Church some lighting issues have been resolved and it has been necessary to replace the tubular lamp under the memorial tapestry. There has been some difficulty on occasions with the opening of the vestry door and this is being looked into, as also is an issue of damp within the tower. Within the churchyard the broken/rotten fencing alongside the access drive has been replaced, and it has been necessary to lop branches from a tree alongside the path up to St Breock which were getting close to Beehive Cottage and overhead wires.

St Conan's

The woodworm treatment referred to last year has been carried out and the chairs which were infested with woodworm have been disposed of and replacements obtained from All Saints, Truro.

St Mary's

At the time of writing we are endeavouring to overcome issues raised by the Diocesan Solicitors VWV which have delayed the application to the Land Registry.

Once again, thank you to all volunteers, too many to mention, for their considerable contributions in caring for our Churches. This is very much appreciated.

Roger Priestley

PARISH OF ST BROOKE AND EGLOSHAYLE IN WADEBRIDGE 2019

Membership

Readers	Claire Charlton Roy Holmes
Churchwardens	Wendy Dalley Craig Fawcett
Deanery Synod Members	Claire Charlton Christine Todd Michael Todd
Parish Administrator	Jessica Lawrence

PCC Officers

Parish Treasurer	Helen Hyland
Lay Vice Chairman	Chris Saitch
Minutes Secretary	Helen Eustice
*Safeguarding Officer	Wendy Dalley/ Jessica Lawrence
*Electoral Roll Officer	Jessica Lawrence
Planned Giving Officer	Helen Eustice
Health and Safety Officers	Churchwardens
* <i>NOT PCC members</i>	

Additional PCC Members

Don Hopper
John Leach
Steve Watkins

Congregational Wardens – *not ex officio PCC Members*

St. Brooke Church	Joy Hine
St. Conan's Church	Congregation
Egloshayle Church	Nicola Wills
St. Mary's at the Betjeman Centre	Welcome Team

Church Cashiers – *not ex officio PCC Members*

St. Brooke Church	Mary Eustice
St. Conan's Church	Sandy Towers
Egloshayle Church	Janet de la Cour
St. Mary's at JBC	Mary Eustice

Churches

The PCC owns and is responsible for the upkeep of:

St. Breoke Church, St. Breock, Wadebridge, PL27 7JS

St. Conan's Church, Washaway, PL30 3AD

Egloshayle Church, Egloshayle Road, Wadebridge, PL27 6AD

The site of the former St. Mary's Church Centre, Wadebridge,
PL27 7PL

St. Mary's Church Centre Congregation continues to meet at the
Betjeman Centre, Southern Way, Wadebridge, PL27 7BX.

Committees

Standing Committee

This committee is required by law and undertakes urgent business and such other matters as may be delegated to it by the PCC

Chris Saitch

Lay Vice Chairman

Wendy Dalley

Churchwarden

Craig Fawcett

Churchwarden

Helen Eustice

Minutes Secretary – in attendance

Helen Hyland

Treasurer

100 Club

A fund-raising activity

Paul Brocklebank

Co-ordinator & Treasurer

Event Planning Group

Plans and co-ordinates social and fund-raising activities on behalf of the whole parish

Mary Eustice

Christine Pearn

Lis Romans

Angela Richards

Joy Hine

Rita Watkins

Mary Margerrison

Jessica Lawrence

Congregational Wardens

St Breoke Church: Congregational Warden - Joy Hine
Church Cashier - Mary Eustice

St Mary's at the BC: Congregational Warden – Welcome Team
Church Cashier - Mary Eustice

Egloshayle Church: Congregational Warden - Nicola Wills
Church Cashiers - Janet De la Cour & Hazel Leach

St Conan's Church: Congregational Warden - Congregation
Church Cashier – Sandy Towers

Other Representatives

Churches Together in Wadebridge

Claire Charlton
Roy Holmes
Christine Todd

Open the Book

Roy Holmes
Christine Hopper
Don Hopper
Di Knight
Sue Priestley
Angela Richards
Nicola Wills
Di Knight
Rita Watkins

Egloshayle and St. Breoke Bell Ringers

Stefan Davey Tower Captain

Shuttleworth Hall Trustees

None

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The Electoral Roll Officer reported at the APCM in October 2020 that there were 108 names on the Electoral Roll following a complete revision of the Roll in comparison to 106 people last year. The Official Return of Attendance in 2019 was as follows:

		St. Breoke	St. Conan	St. Marys	Egloshayle	Total
Baptism		0	0	0	6	6
Confirmation		0	0	0	0	0
Marriage		7	0	0	3	10
Funeral		5	2	GVC 2	18	27
Easter						
	Communicants	15	15	38	85	153
	Attendance	15	15	0	104	134
Christmas						
	Communicants	28	0	0	130	158
	Attendance	40	0	0	555	595
October	Attendance					
	Adults (16+)					
6 th		11	0	0	90	101
13 th		0	17	31	0	48
20 th		11	0	23	31	65
27 th		0	18	13	23	54
	Attendance					
	Children /YP					
6 th		0	0	0	28	28
13 th		0	0	1	0	1
20 th		0	0	0	0	0
27 th		0	0	0	0	0
	Attendance					
	Midweek					
7-12 th		5	3	0	15	23
14-19 th		5	3	0	15	23
21-26 th		5	3	0	11	19
28-2 nd Nov		5	3	0	15	23

In addition to the above, Special services are also held and include the annual Civic Service, Remembrance Sunday plus several Schools Carol Concerts and general services held throughout the year.

REPORTS FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Safeguarding

The PCC of St Breoke and Egloshayle in Wadebridge adopts and implements the policy and procedures, based on the guidelines from The Church of England's Safeguarding Policy Statement. We are committed to the respectful pastoral ministry of all adults within the church community as outlined by the Adult Safeguarding Policy 'Promoting a Safer Church'. For a copy of our Safeguarding Policy or for more information, please contact Jessica Lawrence.

Churches Together in Wadebridge

Our parish continues to be actively involved in all that Churches Together does, although as a result of being without a priest throughout 2019 we perhaps couldn't contribute quite as much as we had done in previous years. We extended our most grateful thanks and warmest good wishes to some stalwart supporters of CTW who have moved on to pastures new. These included Richard Curnow from WCC and John and Janet Hereward together with Nikki Thornhill all from our own parish. We are extremely grateful for their unstinting support of CTW and wish them well in their various new endeavours.

We had a number of events in the year, starting with the present re-gifting for Christian Aid at Cornerstone in early January. It was rapidly followed by events for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The format was slightly different to previous years, as we had 'An evening with Colin Chambers' on the Saturday evening. Colin, who had been chaplain to Nelson Mandela on Robin Island, also spoke at the service in the Town Hall on Sunday. Thanks to Alistair Sharp for arranging proceedings. A presentation on the speaker was Alistair Sharp, and we also had a presentation by Christians Against Poverty to which the collection went following deduction of expenses. Lent Groups and Lent lunches followed the same pattern as in previous years and were reasonably well supported.

The Walk of Witness on Good Friday continues to be an important witness to the true meaning of Good Friday however it was felt that

perhaps it needs to be reviewed. The Easter Day Sunrise Service was a definite highlight of the year; watching the sun clear the horizon as we declared the praises of our risen Lord. Well done if you made it and thanks to those who provided breakfast in some shape or form!

The annual Wadebridge Churches Together Kids Holiday Club once again took place during the October half term. Rev. Alistair Sharp took the lead on this on the theme of Joy Story with Pastor Drew from WCC assisting and Joan and team providing the refreshments. The numbers attending were down in comparison with previous years. It was decided not to attempt the Christmas Carol Singing outside the Co-op in 2019.

CTW continues to work with and support a range of other activities, most notably Foodbank, CAP and The Churches Tent at the RCS. Ongoing activities include the monthly Prayer for Wadebridge meetings on the first Friday of each month at Cornerstone at 8.30 am for 30 minutes. Numbers have reduced considerably with about 3 people present on each occasion. The decision was taken to move the meeting day to a Wednesday morning so that ministers from all of CTW churches could attend. However, it would be great to see more people coming along. MFW is a partnership between CTW and Wadebridge Memory Cafe and is a shining example of how our churches can work together with other community groups. CTW continues to oversee the supporting of Christian Aid in Wadebridge.

2019 has been a busy year for CTW. It has been apparent that the capacity to support the huge range of activities that we have enjoyed in the past is somewhat reduced. Forum meetings have been rearranged to take place in the afternoon rather than the evening to facilitate attendance. All member churches are reviewing their own activities apart from Sunday worship. CTW will be undertaking a similar review in 2020, with the emphasis being on doing what we do well. This is likely to result in changes to our programme. Your thoughts would be welcome.

Our thanks to Rev Alistair Sharp as Clergy chair, Martin Dean as lay chair, Pastor Drew Cox for the availability of our meeting venue and all those who support CTW whether as part of the forum or involved in organising and running events.

Claire Charlton

Deanery Synod

The Deanery Synod has met on three occasions during 2019, however the format and nature of the synod meetings has been different compared to those of previous years.

Although there continues to be much discussion about the MMF contributions and the impact on Benefices/Clusters, our deanery moved to a cost-based allocation some time ago. Giving by congregations across Truro Diocese is much less than in other areas of the country, even when poverty indices are taken into consideration. MMF contributions across the deanery are largely met, although this has not been true of our parish this year. This situation needs to be addressed. It would be most helpful if a parish rep could attend the deanery finance meetings.

The first meeting of deanery synod focused on the nature of future meetings and structures and explored what value they might bring to ministry and mission among parishes within the deanery. Parishes were invited to bring to the meetings anything which they were doing which they felt to be of particular value.

The two subsequent meetings of 2019 each had a particular focus. In the discussions about working with children and young people, there were short presentations from three churches which had enjoyed a level of success in this area. We were encouraged to identify and discuss in small groups what we did and then feed back to the meeting about opportunities for further growth and development when working with this age group. For our final meeting of the year we focused on the issues facing the older members of our parishes, exploring how we might support those facing poverty, loneliness and ill health from our often limited resources. Again, this stimulated much discussion, highlighting how much was contributed by so many throughout our clusters and benefices.

The more discussion-based approach to deanery synod meetings is likely to continue as we enter 2020. Deanery synod reps are reaching the end of their term of office and these posts are subject to election at this year's APCM.

If you are interested in becoming a rep, then please find out more by speaking to Christine Todd or myself.

Claire Charlton

Egloshayle Choir

During the past year we have welcomed another alto to the choir – currently we have three sopranos, three altos, one tenor and one bass. We would always be pleased to welcome new singers. Practices last for about an hour on the Thursday evening before the 1st and 3rd Sunday communion services. The current members of the choir are very committed and supportive, for which I am most grateful.

We were pleased to be able to take part and sing a short anthem in Steve's recent licensing service. On that occasion the choir was expanded to include members from St Conan's and the John Betjeman Centre, and our lay-reader, Claire, also joined us.

Our seating arrangement is still not ideal. Something more permanent, yet still flexible, would be welcome, although I realize financial considerations make this unlikely in the near future.

Peter Meanwell

Bell Ringing

Ringers

We continue to have a team of 12 ringers of which 10 regularly ring for services and weddings. Our learners Steven and Stuart are progressing well with Stuart Now ringing for Services on Sundays.

Finance

Egloshayle ringers continue to bank the money from weddings so we have a fund to help with the maintenance of the bells and funding for the annual outing for the ringers.

Maintenance

We purchased and installed New Bell Ropes at the End of May last year. The cost was £2227.20 Including VAT. The VAT element was reclaimed

with the help of Helen Hyland and the PCC. We were kindly donated money from the following to achieve this as well as using our funds for the balance.

Cornwall Councillors, Karen Mchugh and Steve Knightley, RJ Bray & son, Anne Connolly, Carl Serba, John Taylor, Dave Connell, Pam Davey, Liz Dyke and our new learner Stuart

Visiting Ringers

We continue to have requests for ringers to come and ring our bells. The requests are now going to be forwarded to the Parish Administrator to be entered in the parish Diary.

Winter League

We are taking part in the winter league competition which see us ring at different towers against other Teams on one Friday a month with the final in Tywardreath on the 21st March.

Event Planning Group

After a busy year (2018), culminating in Rev. John's retirement, the group met in January with Rev. Nikki in the chair. As she was also leaving the parish it was agreed that planned events would go ahead but not too many new initiatives would be undertaken. A farewell lunch was organized to bid Rev. Nikki 'bon voyage' as she embarked on her new career with the Royal Navy.

All Rummage sales went ahead as planned (see separate report). Following the successful Parish walk on Rogation Sunday last year, Sarah Bennett agreed to organize this year's walk which was supported by a number of hardy parishioners.

Various organizations held concerts in Egloshayle Church including Wadebridge Male Voice Choir, Wadebridge Carnival Committee, the local Cancer Research Committee and local schools. Members of the Planning group or other parishioners liaised and co-ordinated these events.

The Summer Fair, Craft Fair and Christmas Bazaar all went well and raised much needed funds. The Harvest Barn Dance went ahead despite

atrocious weather. Sadly, numbers were very much down on last year but nevertheless a good time was had by all. This event was subsidized by the PCC and much appreciated.

December was a busy month for the group but thanks to support and help from many parishioners all events ran smoothly. Both the Parish Party and the Live Nativity were hugely popular occasions. Catering for most events was usually organized by the group but this would not have been possible without many contributions from members of the congregation.

Finally, the group would like to thank Jessica, our Parish Administrator, for her dedication and efficiency in organizing all bookings and events. Her help was invaluable. Thank you to all who helped organize and supported all events. We look forward to working with Rev. Steve and Jackie in helping to take the Parish forward in the coming year.

Lis Romans

Fund Raising

Another year of Rummage Sales!

2019 was another successful year although money raised was less than previous year it still provided much needed funds for our Parish. It remains popular and continues to be a place where people meet and have a chat over coffee.

We are grateful to all those who regularly help with transporting rummage to the town hall. A special thank you to Nigel Dalley and his family who have helped this year. His van is always well laden. We rely on our church members who help on the stalls and serve refreshments, without them these events would not take place.

Good quality items to sell are always needed. If you are able to donate, please contact any of the Event Planning team.

Joy Hine

Health and Safety

Risk assessment Forms are now in place and completed for events and services and are kept in the filing cabinet in Egloshayle Vestry.

Memory Friendly Service

3rd Sunday in the month: 10.30 am: John Betjeman Centre

This service is organised jointly by Churches Together in Wadebridge and by the Memory Café but hosted by the Anglican congregation at their regular service time. It is intended to reach out to those living with memory loss and their carers but has also proved much appreciated by older folk. We remember, we are reminded of the continuing love and care of God throughout our lives – and we give thanks. The service is all on a PowerPoint, very informal, everyone encouraged to participate.

Over the seven years the service has been running, those attending have varied as circumstances change but new people continue to join us. Afterwards we share tea, coffee and cake, an extended time in which to talk to and support one another.

A particular delight has been the Memory Friendly Christingle we introduced in 2018. We are so pleased that the Children's Society have picked up on the idea, and for 2019, the Society worked with the charity Livability to develop and publicise resources. Our service this last year saw all ages attend, from 0 to 90. A generous collection for the work of the Children's Society raised £143.

It is great when regular attendees bring visiting family members. We do also appreciate it when visitors come along on an odd occasion just to 'see what we do'. Please if you would like to know more, do feel you would be very welcome. A recent email described the experience as being full of 'conversation, sharing and joy'.

As Ps 106:1 reminds us: Praise the LORD! O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever'.

Christine Todd.

Pastoral Care/Home Communion

Throughout this year of transition, the Pastoral Care Team have continued to visit and distribute home communion to those who are unable to get to church. Over 120 people have received communion in this way during the year. It is a great privilege, not only to witness at first hand the spiritual support and comfort that this gives to those who can't join the congregation, but also to receive from them their witness to the Christian life. This is particularly powerful when we are joined by family members or others who are not part of our worshipping community.

Our grateful thanks go to Rev David Steven and Rev Dom Whitting who have unstintingly contributed to the pastoral life of the parish. Whether it has been preparing families for baptism, couples for weddings and individuals for confirmation or visiting the bereaved, sick or housebound we are extremely grateful for their support of our well-being in the parish.

Pastoral Care is not restricted to the distribution of home communion or to the Pastoral Care Team. Anyone who listens, encourages, offers hospitality, helps with practical things and prays for others as a response to their Christian faith is exercising pastoral care. The Team is well aware that there are many within the Parish who quietly and in the background provide encouragement and support to the whole community. We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who takes part in this ministry, especially to those who have continued to exercise their gifts during our period of transition.

Please continue to pray for the work of the Pastoral Care Team and for all who offer this ministry. We are always seeking ways to better support those within our community and would welcome your ideas.

Claire Charlton

Open the Book

If anyone on reading the following report feels they would like to help do please speak to any of the team. We just about manage but to have more offers at either of the schools, just sometimes, would make the sessions so much more manageable.

We are pleased that Open the Book has continued at both St Breock Primary and Wadebridge Academy – the former on a Wednesday afternoon and the latter Thursday mornings. Our practice is to repeat the St Breock story the following day at Wadebridge. We still work mainly as two teams as some can only manage certain days with Sue Priestley planning St Breock and Rita Watson arranging the planning for Wadebridge Academy.

Our format is to go to the schools twice a month and present our story to the 5 year – rising 7 year olds.

We take our stories from the Bible Society and use The Lion Storyteller Bible by Bob Hartman. At the beginning of the school year we began with the Creation, Jacob and Esau and after Christmas we presented the story of Joseph which gave us several enjoyable sessions. The spring term will be New Testament - stories of Jesus leading into Paul and the road to Damascus, in prison and the last session of term Paul shipwrecked.

We know the school children enjoy taking part but because our time at the schools is limited we have to keep it simple. However they do enjoy dressing up with tabards and tea towels. One of our “shepherds” for the Nativity caused much laughter by sitting his toy sheep on his head! Grateful thanks to Angela, with the help of Geoff, for overseeing costumes and props.

We are indebted for the continuing support from both schools and with our willing team of Story Tellers - Rita, Angela, Nicola, Patricia, Christine and Don, Roy, John L, Di and Lynne who joined us in 2020 - Open the Book will continue.

Sue Priestley

Parish 100 Club

A full 100 numbers were sold this year and this raised £1800 for the Parish.

Over the year 38 prizes were drawn and there were 26 people who won a prize with 2 of those lucky enough to win twice on the same number. There were also 2 people won more than once but with a different number that they held, 2 very lucky people winning 3 times but holding at least 3 numbers.

I am retiring from running the 100 Club after some 5 years but I am pleased to say that Helen Hodges will be taking over for 2020.

The 100 Club is an excellent, and if you are lucky, enjoyable way to help the Parish.

Thank you for your continued support and good luck for 2020.

Paul Brocklebank

Readers

The last year has been both busy and challenging for Claire and myself as we worked through our time of Transition. We were both part of the "Transition Team" which met regularly during the year, initially to plan and produce our Parish Profile and then to oversee the recruitment process which eventually resulted in the appointment of Steve Payne. Our meetings were aided by Julian Briscoe from the diocese as we continued to discuss and formulate our vision for the parish moving forward.

At the same time Claire took on the responsibility for covering our communion services and it is a testament to her dedication and commitment that we managed to maintain our regular pattern of worship with only one or two exceptions.

We continued to exercise our ministry in leading worship, though some may have noticed that we didn't preach regularly at communion services during the year as we were blessed in having David Steven and other visiting clergy who fulfilled this role. Hope fully you may see us more regularly this year!

We have continued to help with the pastoral ministry of the parish, taking Holy Communion to those unable to get to services. Claire has also taken home communion regularly to St. Breoke home.

As Readers there are two main occasions when we gather with our fellow lay ministers for worship and fellowship. These are the annual Reader's service at the cathedral when new Readers are licensed and admitted and the Readers Day when we meet to study and reflect as well as having a short AGM.

We were sorry to see Bishop Chris move on during the year to his new post in Ministry Division He was Warden of Readers during his time in the diocese and was instrumental in promoting and championing Reader ministry.

We look forward to working together with Steve and Jackie in the coming year as we journey together in the next exciting chapter in the life of the parish.

Roy and Claire