

PARISH OF  
ST BROOKE &  
EGLOSHAYLE IN WADEBRIDGE



2022-2025

# PARISH PLAN

PREPARED BY THE  
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

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***TELLING THE STORY OF JESUS***



*We have received the story of Jesus through the scriptures and the tradition of the church. We have witnessed that story lived out in the followers of Jesus. As we have received this story we in turn are invited to share the story through our words and actions helping people to understand its meaning for today. It is a story for everyone. It is a story that can transform our lives and community.*

## **Aims 2022 - 2025**

### **1. Living the Story**

Jesus has shown us the importance of serving people in His story. In 2021 Egloshayle hosted several 'social events' which were well supported and raised money for Church funds. In the community survey, the issue of loneliness was highlighted. The social occasions provided a safe space for social interaction.

***Aim: To continue to plan these events through the year to demonstrate God's inclusive love.***

***We will:***

- 1 Create safe space for social interaction***
- 2. Address loneliness and reach people beyond our worshipping community***
- 3. Raise money for Parish Funds***

***To achieve this, we will:***

- 1. Organise events at different locations in the parish***
- 2. Plan 6 events per year***
- 3. Contact at least 6 individuals outside our worshipping community.***

***Who will be involved?***

***Event planning team supported the church family***

***When does this happen?***

***The events are planned at the beginning of the year. Typically the events are ; Pancake Party - Shrove Tues, Easter Craft Fayre, Rogation Tide Walk, August Craft Fayre, August Cream Teas, Harvest Events, Christmas Craft Fayre, Coffee and Chat ( monthly)***

The congregational survey highlighted that many of the congregation already serve projects and/or charities both locally and nationally. Fellow members of the congregation are often unaware of what they do.

***Aim: To invite members of the church to tell the story of their community involvement to encourage others to serve the community.***

***We will:***

***1 Encourage members to share their experience of voluntary work***

***To achieve this, we will***

***1. Invite someone to talk about their voluntary role***

***2. Organise this to occur during a service on 6 occasions through the year.***

***3. Encourage others to feel more confident about their witness***

***Who will be involved?***

***Members of the congregation***

***When does this happen?***

***Specific Sundays to be confirmed.***

Egloshayle Church is central to our vision to use the building ***to tell the story of Jesus***. We need to make it a warm and welcoming building for worship and community activities. Its 'lighting up' at Christmas along with the recent seasonal activities has been noticed by the community and generated positive reaction towards the church.

***Aim: To plan for and begin the re-ordering of Egloshayle Church***

***The planning process is underway, and presently the projected start date April 2023. A timeline and timetable for the project will be drawn up by the Re-ordering group and be made available to the church and the community.***

## **2. Understanding and sharing the Story**

***We tell the story of Jesus*** in our worship. The past two years have seen considerable changes in how we worship due to Covid. We need to ensure that our present pattern of worship helps people both in the congregation and from the wider community to encounter the story of Jesus and live it.

***Aim: To review our worship and help people of all ages to hear the story of Jesus in a relevant way,***

***We will:***

- 1. Enable all ages to encounter different styles and content of worship***
- 2. Resource people to live their faith Mon to Sat***
- 3. Find new ways to help people explore their spirituality***

***To achieve this, we will:***

- 1. Review all aspects of our regular worship and investigate other ways of exploring faith and spirituality.***

***Who will be involved?***

***To bring together a worship review team comprising of those who regularly lead worship along with invited members of the congregation.***

***When does this happen?***

***Spring/ Summer 2022***

As we grow in our discipleship, we deepen our understanding of ***the story of Jesus*** and help others to explore it. We do this through meeting in small groups to read God's word, chat and discuss, sharing meals and experiences as we learn together. During Covid times home groups and enquirers groups have not been able to meet.

***Aim: To re-establish and develop groups and activities through which people can explore the story of Jesus and grow as his disciples.***

***We will:***

- 1 Create a welcoming and inclusive space to reflect on and deepen our understanding of the story of Jesus.***
- 2. Give opportunity for learning and growth through listening to one another.***

*To achieve this, we will:*

- 1. Help people grow as followers of Jesus.*
- 2. Provide a supportive space in which questions can be fully explored.*
- 3. Provide opportunities for encouragement and prayer for each other*

*Who will be involved?*

- 1. Initially clergy and readers and the hosts of the study groups*

*When does this happen?*

- 1. Lent 2022 sees the reintroduction of mid-week study groups*
- 2. From Summer 2022 to set a regular pattern for the groups to meet.*

We have identified the need to connect with young families and **share the story of Jesus** with the missing generations. Our Christmas events suggest that activities based around festivals attract the interest of families and create an opportunity to build meaningful relationships.

*Aim: To develop our celebration of the festivals as a way for young families to engage with the story of faith.*

*We will:*

- 1 Create engaging events around the festivals through which we tell the story of Jesus*

*To achieve this, we will:*

- 1. Connect with at least 5 families outside our worshipping community at each event.*

*Who will be involved?*

*Clergy, Readers, Event Planning Team and wider congregation*

*When does this happen?*

- 1. Initially organize events in the Parish at e.g. Christmas, Palm Sunday, Easter and Harvest*

**The Grace Project** is now developing well and is one way in *which we are telling the story of Jesus* by offering practical help to young families.

**Aim:** *To further establish links with the families who have donated or received clothes by planning an event to celebrate what has been achieved.*

**We will:**

**1. Organise an event to mark the first anniversary of the project**

**To achieve this, we will:**

**1. Raise awareness of the project and it's aim.**

**2. Further build relationships with families who have donated or benefited from the project.**

**Who will be involved?**

**Grace Project Team**

**When does this happen?**

**July/ August 2022**

**Telling the story of Jesus through baptism**, we have contact with young families in our community. Last year we distributed Mothering Sunday gifts to baptism families these were well received. We are looking to develop links and explore how we connect young families with the story of Jesus.

**Aim:** *To review the Parish baptism policy and involve the church family in all baptisms.*

**We will:**

**1 Build a relationship of trust and support between the church and the families of those baptised enabling them to hear the story of Jesus**

**To achieve this, we will:**

**1. Create a positive welcome to baptism families**

*2, Provide meaning and helpful ways to introduce them to faith and worship*

*3. Explore ways in which the church family can maintain links with baptismal families.*

*Who will be involved?*

*Initially a group set up by the PCC to review and make recommendations*

*This will involve the whole church family.*

*When does this happen?*

*To begin Autumn 2022 and complete by Spring 2023.*

*Recommendations to be in place Autumn 2023*

### **3. Connecting the Story from past to future generations**

The Church buildings and their churchyards provide a rich resource to **tell the story of Jesus.**

The community come into our churches for the occasional services of baptisms, weddings, and funerals. We have a duty to maintain our buildings and the churchyards in which they are set. The 2021 quinquennials have highlighted the need to have an ongoing maintenance plan and fundraising strategy to take account of green and environmental guidance to cut carbon emissions and care for creation.

***Aim: To put in place a maintenance and fund-raising strategy.***

***We will:***

***1. Identify the actions we need to take to ensure we meet our MMF contributions and cover ongoing maintenance costs***

***2. To consider planning a stewardship scheme to raise awareness of the churches' financial needs.***

***Who will be involved?***

***A group set up by the PCC to review and make recommendations***

***When does this happen?***

***To begin Spring/ Summer 2022 and complete by Autumn 2022***

Our church buildings tell the story of faith down the generations

***Aim: To put in place a strategic plan for the sustainable use of our buildings.***

***We will:***

***1. Decide on how we use our buildings sustainably for worship and events.***

***Who will be involved?***

***A group set up by the PCC to review and make recommendations***

***When does this happen?***

***To begin Summer 2022 and complete by Winter 2023.***

***Recommendations to be in place 2023***

***Aim: To revise and update leaflets that tell the story of our churches in print and on social media. Consider additional ways to share information about our churches.***

***We will:***

***1. Produce material, printed and online to engage visitors with the story of faith and community found in our churches***

***Who will be involved?***

***When does this happen?***

*Summer / Autumn 2022*

The **St Breoke Churchyard Project** has opened this ancient pilgrimage and sacred space, creating a space for contemplation and reflection. The major tree work has now been completed. Plans to **tell the story of Jesus** through the care of God's creation should engage with schools and the wider community.

*Aim: To establish and develop a 'Friends of St Breoke Churchyard' involving schools and members of the wider community.*

*We will:*

*1 Engage the wider community's interest in what the churchyard has to offer and to invite support for its ongoing maintenance and improvement.*

*Who will be involved?*

*St Breoke Churchyard Group*

*When does this happen?*

*Summer 2022*

*Aim: To hold a celebratory event in the churchyard to acknowledge what has been achieved.*

*We hope we will:*

*1. To provide an event to introduce people to the potential of the Churchyard.*

*Who will be involved?*

*St Breoke Churchyard Project Group*

*When does this happen?*

*Sat May 21<sup>st</sup> 10-4pm 2022*

*Finally*

*Following adoption of this plan at the APCM 2022 that the Vision statement: "Telling the Story of Jesus" is used on all our communications*

*During the year at each PCC meeting, this Plan will be an agenda item. A report will be given on different aspects of the plan*

*It is envisaged that this plan is reviewed and amended before being adopted each year at the APCM.*