

Saltash Area Newsletter

November 2025



St Michael
Landrake



St Mary
Botus Fleming



St Terninus
St Erney



SS Nicholas &
Faith, Saltash



St Stephen
Saltash



SS Leonard &
Dilpe, Landulph

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Remember, Remember the fifth of November, gunpowder treason and plot – no I am not advocating what we should do with the government at the moment – but today's problems do help to put history into perspective!

Hopefully, nowadays we remember November more as the month for remembering those who have died in wars and conflict around the world, and there are many opportunities to gather around the churches and war memorials to do just that this month.

Remembering those who have gone before us is significant and important, it makes us think about our own lives, their purposes, and the journeys that we take, and ultimately the destination for us all.

What shapes our destinations is of course our faith, and how it is shaped by what the bible tells us.

So let us look at 10 things the bible asks us to remember.

1. We are saved by grace not by works, but our works should reflect our beliefs.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

2. It is impossible to please God without believing in Him and actually believing Him.

Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

3. There isn't anything created that has the power to separate us from God's love.

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

4. God does not choose according to the world's standards; he chooses according to His own will.

But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him.

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

Coming Up

Saturday 1 November

10am to 1pm
St Stephen's Church
November Fair

Friday 7 November

From 7pm
St Michael's Church
DerryAirs

Saturday 8 November

10.30am, St Mary's Hall
Coffee & Sea Song Medleys
(inc 2 mins silence at 11am)

Monday 10 November

MOSSAF

Tuesday 11 November

2pm, St Stephen's Church
Mothers' Union

Wednesday 12 November

10am, St Stephen's Church
Coffee, Cake & Chat

Saturday 15 November

2.30pm to 5.30pm
Sir Robert Geffery Hall
Christmas Bazaar

Monday 17 November

2pm to 4pm
SSNF Church Rooms
Craft Afternoon

Friday 21 November

Noon START

Mondays

24 Nov, 1, 8, 15 Dec
2pm SSNF Church Rooms
Advent Course

Wednesday 26 November

10am, St Mary's Church Hall
Coffee & Mince Pies

Friday 28 November

6.30pm, St Stephen's Church
Christmas Shopping Evening

Saturday 29 November to Friday 12 December

SSNF Church
Christmas Tree Festival
(see opening times on p6)

We will remember them



NOVEMBER SERVICES

Sunday 2 November

St Michael, Landrake

9.30am Morning Worship

St Stephen-by-Saltash

10am Family Worship

St Leonard & St Dilpe, Landulph

10am Holy Communion

St Erney, Landrake

10.15am Matins

St Nicholas & St Faith, Saltash

10.30am Holy Communion

4pm All Souls Service

St Mary, Botus Fleming

11.15am Morning Worship

3pm Sung Evensong

Sunday 9 November Remembrance Sunday

St Stephen-by-Saltash

10am Civic Service

St Nicholas & St Faith, Saltash

10.30am Morning Worship

St Michael, Landrake

10.45am Remembrance Service
at the War Memorial

St Mary, Botus Fleming

11am Starts at the War Memorial

Sunday 16 November

St Michael, Landrake

9.30am Holy Communion

St Stephen-by-Saltash

10am Morning Worship

3pm Evensong

St Leonard & St Dilpe, Landulph

10am Morning Worship

St Erney, Landrake

10.15am Matins

St Nicholas & St Faith, Saltash

10.30am Holy Communion

St Mary, Botus Fleming

11.15am Holy Communion

Sunday 23 November

St Michael, Landrake

9.30am Morning Worship

St Stephen-by-Saltash

10am Holy Communion

St Nicholas & St Faith, Saltash

10.30am Morning Worship

St Mary, Botus Fleming

11.15am Morning Worship

Sunday 30 November

St Leonard & St Dilpe, Landulph

10am United Service

St Nicholas & St Faith, Saltash

6.30pm Darkness to Light

Wednesdays

St Stephen-by-Saltash

10am Holy Communion 5, 19 Nov
Morning Worship 26 Nov

7pm Confirmation 26 Nov

5. Human promises can be broken, but God's promises can never be broken.

My covenant I will not break, nor alter the word that has gone out of my lips.

Psalm 89:34

6. Praising God loudly with our mouths is not the equivalent to praising God with a genuine heart.

Some people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.

Matthew 15:8

7. God does not show favouritism, nor does he reject anyone.

For there is no partiality with God.

Romans 2:11

8. Things around us change all the time, but God remains unchanged.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Hebrews 13:8

9. God gives us free will to make our own decisions, but he does not give up on us making the right ones.

“Now you shall say to this people, “Thus says the Lord: “Behold, I set before you the way of life and the way of death.

Jeremiah 21:8

10. Prayer is the most effective method of communication to talk to God.

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

In this month of remembrances, let us not forget what God has given us.

Every blessing,

Rev'd Lynn

ALL SOULS' DAY

4pm Sunday 2 Nov
SS Nicholas & Faith

A quiet, reflective
service as we
remember our
loved ones

ADVENT COURSE

SSNF
Church Rooms
2pm on Mondays:
24 Nov, 1, 8, 15 Dec

As many of you know, my planned surgery didn't quite go to plan! Recovery is taking longer than expected, but I hope to be back with you soon. I'm deeply grateful for the cards, gifts, messages, and prayers that have lifted my spirits during this time.

George, Issy, Seb, and my mum Linda have been taking wonderful care of me, along with some very dear friends who've been incredibly generous with their time. Your kindness and support mean the world to me.

With love and thanks, Rev'd Laura



Autumn Quiz

Part Two

1. On September 5, 1958, Britain's heaviest ever what was recorded in Horsham? It weighed 6.5 ounces.
2. A storm of October 1859 (which sank the ship the Royal Charter off the coast of Wales) prompted Vice-Admiral Robert Fitzroy to create what?
3. Why do Daubenton's and Brandt's bats gather to sing at the entrances to caves in the autumn?
4. Maple, ash and sycamore trees produce seeds with which nickname, due to the way they fly through the air?
5. Squirrels are starting to bury acorns. What is the bird that does the same?
6. This bright red berry gets its name from an old German word meaning 'to redden' – not to be confused with the Mr Bean actor. Which berry?
7. This mushroom got its name because its tubes coming from the ground look like devices to allow the dead and buried to hear. Its name?
8. Who wrote the the poem 'To Autumn'?
9. Hedgehogs begin hibernating. What is a baby hedgehog called — a hedgenipper, a hoglet or an ickle-prickle?
10. Bonfire Night takes place every November. How did Guy Fawkes reduce the pain of his execution following the Gunpowder Treason Plot of 1605?

Answers on p4

Samaritan's Purse

It is that time of year again when we support the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Appeal. The boxes will cost 50p each this year.

Please contact Margaret Dell on ☎ 01752 846945 to request your box(es) or for more information.



Recent Events

MOSSAF

Our October meeting was an evening of Ten Pin Bowling at Barbican Leisure Park. Unfortunately, one member had to pull out at short notice meaning we had an extra slot. So we took the decision to have a MOSSAF player with each of us taking a turn to represent the MOSSAF player. Lo and behold, the MOSSAF won by one point meaning we were all winners! We all took great amusement in this and it made the evening special indeed. Dave Newman, Mark Fox and Len Maddock followed up the scoring in that order. Afterwards we enjoyed a social drink together.



Our final meeting of the year sees our group having an End of Year meal at the Lord Louis.

Harvest at St Nicholas and St Faith

On Harvest Sunday, 20 parishioners and friends enjoyed lunch, which consisted of cheese or ham ploughmans, jacket potatoes, various salads, bread rolls and a variety of puddings, including our now famous Pavlova.

Two traditional harvest loaves were made by a member of our congregation and were placed on the altar during the service. A collection of food offerings for the Foodbank was made during our service including a large donation from our pre-school, who also made an excellent farmyard scene for the back of the Church.



Thank you Pre-School, this scene was greatly admired by all, and for your donations to the Foodbank.

Recent Events continued

The WW2 Fireman's Graves Project



Neil Stanlake would like to thank Ray and Mary Wills and Helen for their help and support, and to Rev'd Laura and St Stephen's PCC to enable the coffee morning to go ahead. Also thank you to everyone that supported the coffee morning. The total raised was £131.

St Stephen's Harvest Cuppa



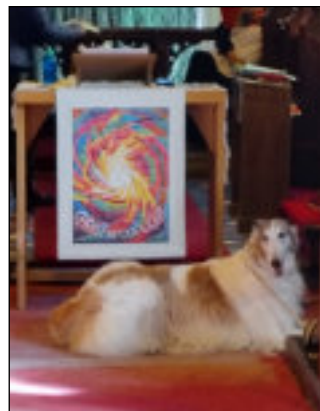
A massive thank you to everyone who helped and supported our Harvest Cuppa. It was a lovely morning with much conversation and cake. The hot drink specials and toasted crumpets were very popular. We raised a fantastic £281.02 for Church Funds.

St Stephen's Harvest Supper



A lovely hearty Harvest Supper meal was enjoyed by 29 people at the Ploughboy at the beginning of October. It was a lovely evening with plenty of socialising.

Pet Service



Revs Paul and Sally Nash had great fun leading a Pet Service at St Mary's. All the pets who came were dogs and they were all very well behaved. During the service which included hymns, prayers, a Bible reading and talk, we had time to remember pets we had lost.

The Benefice choir did a great job leading the singing before and during the service. We all then enjoyed tea and cake together and Richard Hoskins had some dog treats to share too!



Bank the Food

Point your mobile phone camera at this QR code. Click the link to download the 'Bank the Food' App. This will enable you to see which items Saltash Foodbank needs now!

Make a difference!

Please donate food at Waitrose, Lidl, the Co-op or at the back of St Stephen's or SSNF Churches and/or donate money via the Foodbank website: saltash.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money

Christmas Tree Festival at St Nicholas & St Faith



A list asking for volunteers to help with stewarding will be available from 28 November. Please sign up if you can.

Confirmation Service on Wednesday 26 November

This is being held at St Stephen's church at 7pm and donations of food are required for after the service. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of our churches early November if you are able to help in any way.

Answers to Quiz on page 3: 1. Hailstone. It was one ounce heavier than a cricket ball. 2. The Shipping Forecast. 3. They're seeking the attention of females inside the cave, in order to mate. 4. Helicopter seeds. 5. Jay. 6. Rowan berry. (Not named after Rowan Atkinson.) 7. Trompette, from 'trompette de la mort', or 'hearing trumpet of death'. 8. John Keats. 9. Hoglet. 10. He jumped from the scaffold, broke his neck and died. This saved him the pain of drawing and quartering.

Kernow Gateway Choir

November Events

- **10.30am Saturday 8 November**
Remembrance: Sea Songs in St Mary's Church Hall
- **10am Sunday 9 November**
Civic Service at St Stephen's
- **7pm Wednesday 26 November**
Confirmation Service at St Stephen's
- **10am Sunday 30 November**
Joint Service at Landulph

Our combined choir now has over 20 members.

New singers are very welcome to come along to our regular Wednesday practices, 6.30pm at St Mary's, Botus Fleming.

All Saints

by James Russell Lowell

One feast, of holy days the crest,
I, though no Churchman, love to keep,
All-Saints, – the unknown good that rest
In God's still memory folded deep;
The bravely dumb that did their deed,
And scorned to blot it with a name,
Men of the plain heroic breed,
That loved Heaven's silence more than fame.

Such lived not in the past alone,
But thread to-day the unheeding street,
And stairs to Sin and Famine known
Sing with the welcome of their feet;
The den they enter grows a shrine,
The grimy sash an oriel burns,
Their cup of water warms like wine,
Their speech is filled from heavenly urns.

About their brows to me appears
An aureole traced in tenderest light,
The rainbow-gleam of smiles through tears
In dying eyes, by them made bright,
Of souls that shivered on the edge
Of that chill ford repassed no more,
And in their mercy felt the pledge
And sweetness of the farther shore.

Recent Events continued

Mothers' Union

There were eleven members present at our meeting in October as we gathered in St Stephen's Church for prayers. Our prayers were followed by a demonstration of flower arranging by Carol Jones, who looks after flowers in the Church.

After watching Carol, members were given the materials and let loose to create their own autumn flower centrepiece. Great fun with the secateurs and vases – all accompanied by enthusiastic conversation.



Of course, we finished with refreshments before departing to display our efforts in our homes.

Our next meeting is on 11 November when we will prepare items for our Christmas tree for the Festival.

Botus Fleming: Beating of the Bounds

Saturday 11 October was the third visit for the beating the bounds and Rob Cory stepped in to give a detailed guide to the church including family enquiries for the Symons county memorial, Heidi was in charge of light refreshments and we found some new recruits for the combined choir.

New Large Screen at St Stephen's

After a couple of unavoidable delays, the screen has finally been put into St Stephen's church. The contractors had to hire this beast of a machine to enable them to work safely, and to reach areas that were unreachable with a scaffolding tower.



We would like to thank Ben and his team from AV Legacy for installing this, and keeping us updated.

Coming Up

Christmas Tree Festival 2025

**Saturday 29 November
to Friday 12 December**

FREE ENTRY – donations invited



Opening Times

Saturday 29 November: 10am to 6pm

Refreshments available until 1pm.

Sunday 30 November: 2pm to 6pm

Monday to Friday: 2pm to 6pm

Saturday 6 December: From 10am

Refreshments available until 1pm.

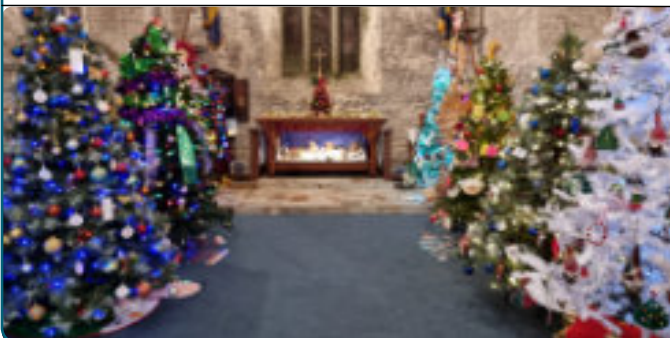
Mulled wine and shortbread from 6pm.

Sunday 7 December: 2pm to 6pm

Monday to Friday: 2pm to 6pm

Grand Christmas Draw

Winning tickets will be drawn at a coffee morning on Saturday 20 December, 10am to 1pm in SSNF Church Rooms.



NOVEMBER FAIR

10am to 1pm on Saturday 1 November

St Stephen's Church

- New Gift Stall • Christmas card packs • Festive tombola
- Cakes • Children's crafts • Stationery, cards, books
- Bumper Christmas raffle • and much, much more

Christmas Gifts Galore!

Plus Refreshments and light lunches

FREE ENTRY



The DerryAirs

Friday 7 November, from 7pm, St Michael's Church

The DerryAirs will share their shanties and original songs about Cornish history and myths.



Raffle and supper included. Tickets from Landrake Stores, or contact LandrakeStErneyFundraising@gmail.com

Sea Song Medley

**From 10.30am, Saturday 8 November
St Mary's Church Hall, Botus Fleming**

Remembrance Coffee morning with Kernow Gateway Choir



Coffee, Cake & Chat

Wednesday 12 November and every 2nd Wednesday

10am to 11.30am in St Stephen's Church



Coming Up continued

Landrake & St Erney Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 15 November
Sir Robert Geffery Hall
2.30pm to 5.30pm

- £1 adult entry (children free).
- £1.50 per child ticket to meet Santa.
- Exciting stalls and delicious refreshments!



Craft Afternoon

Monday 17 November and every 3rd Monday
2pm to 4pm in SSNF Church Rooms



Coffee Morning

10am to Noon, Wednesday 26 November
St Mary's Church Hall, Botus Fleming



Christmas Shopping Evening

6.30pm to 9pm on Friday 28 November
in St Stephen's Church

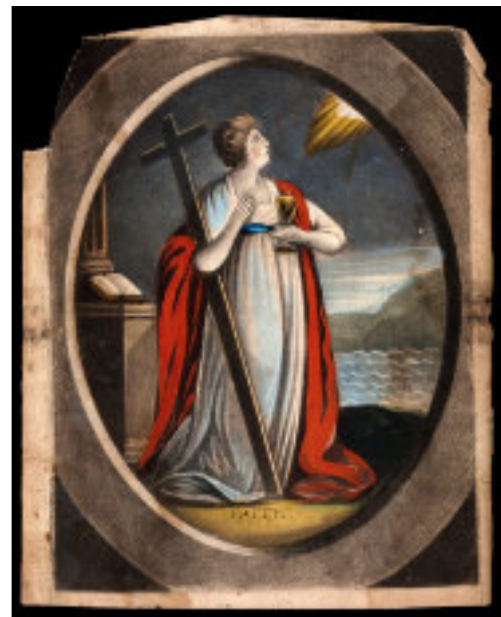


Our Church Saints

John West is kindly writing a series about the saints associated with our Churches. This month is the turn of St Faith.

St Faith

St Faith was born in the third century at Agen in Aquitaine. As a young woman she was arrested during the persecution of Christians by the Roman Empire for refusing to make pagan sacrifices. She was tortured to death with a red-hot brazier; this may have been at the end of the third or the beginning of the fourth century.



The saint's feast day is 6 October and she is venerated in the Eastern Orthodox Church, Roman Catholic and the Anglican Communion. She became the Patron Saint of Pilgrims, Prisoners and Soldiers.

Her tomb, in, the basilica at Agen, was broken into in 866 by monks who stole her bones and transferred them to their abbatial church of Foy in Conques on the leading pilgrimage route to Compostela (Way of Saint James).

The reliquary was made in the ninth century using a head that may have been that of a fifth century Roman and was mounted on a wooden core covered in gold plating. The figure stands 833mm tall and over the years was credited with many miracles and pilgrims added a crown and earrings.

A number of stories exist regarding St Faith and she has been confused with the three legendary sisters *Faith, Hope and Charity*.

Please email articles for the next issue to: newsletter@saltashteamministry.org by 20 November