

Notice sheet Sunday 22nd February

1st Sunday of Lent

Jesus has defeated all!

Collect for today

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we
may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Bible readings **Romans 5:12-19 and Matthew 4:1-11**

Today	4pm Families @ 4 at Heamoor 6pm Evensong will be celebrated at Madron
Monday	10am Safeguarding training day at St Erme
Wednesday	7pm Lent Course 'Conversations with Jesus' in St Thomas', Heamoor
Thursday	12pm Prayer for Cornwall Bill Bray Chapel Baldu
Saturday	9am Diocesan Synod St Erme CTin PA Lent Lunch at High St Methodist (see below for more details)
Next Sunday:	9.30am Family Service at Heamoor 11am Family Service at Madron 11am Holy Communion at Gulval 6pm Evensong at Madron 6pm Prayer, Praise and Fellowship at St Thomas'

Notices:

Rev'd Jo will be hosting a Lent Course entitled 'Conversations with Jesus' on Wednesday evenings in St Thomas' kitchen at 7pm. The series of five Bible

studies will start on February 25th and is for all three churches, as well as newcomers. Please can you contact Jo (as soon as possible as resources need to be organised) if you would like to attend via email : josophiet@aol.com or speak to her in person.

The Diocese is planning to run a training course in the deanery, for those interested in becoming **lay pastoral ministers**, in the near future. If you would like to be considered for this invaluable role, supporting the clergy team by visiting those in need, please speak to Chris.

Dates for your diaries:

Ladies' Spring Night Out – Sat 14th March at 6.45pm, tickets £5 for a 3-course meal available from Ruth (07706 152851) or Kay Short.

Funeral of the late **Mr Fred Downing** (103) to be held at St Thomas' Church on Monday 2nd March at 2pm.

Wedding Celebration – Rev Jo writes: We are delighted that our Reader Kay is going to become Mrs Alexander when she marries Hugh in April! The 3 churches of the Benefice are joining in the celebrations on April 18th at Gulval Village Hall. More details in church or from Jo as numbers are needed. If you would like to contribute to the buffet, please can you contact Rev Jo who has further details. josophiet@aol.com



Churches together in Penzance Area – LENT LUNCHES 2026

Sat 28th Feb – High St Methodist, Penzance TR18 2SU

Sat 7th Mar – St Peter's Church, Newlyn TR18 5HT

Sat 14th Mar – Chapel St Methodist, Penzance TR18 4BE

Sat 21st Mar – Roman Catholic Church, Penzance TR18 2DX

Sat 28th Mar – St Thomas' Church, Heamoor TR18 3JB

Money raised will go to support Christian Aid and CAFOD projects.

New PCC Secretary required for Gulval Church

After a number of years of willing service to Gulval PCC, Rhoda Holt now feels that it is time to step down from being the PCC Secretary. As a church family, we are all grateful for her dedication to this task.

The main 2 responsibilities of the PCC Secretary are:

Firstly, to serve on the PCC, participating in the decision-making process of the church with the Incumbent and ensuring minutes are taken and agendas for upcoming meetings set.

Secondly, the PCC Secretary acts as a conduit for information from the Diocese so that the PCC is not dependent on the Incumbent as the sole person for passing information on.

In addition to the above, a number of other responsibilities are required around the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

If you would like to know more about this, please speak to either Rhoda or Rev Chris.

Items for the Sunday Notice sheet to Chris Butler before Thursday:
telephone 07804 445029, mghchurches@gmail.com, or The Rectory, Madron.