

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

MARCH 2022

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SRO DIARY DATES

MARCH

10 Feeding Britain webinar: Policy Discussion, 4pm - 5pm.

10 Churches Homeless Network meeting, 9.30am, via Zoom. Email Rosey Sanders for the link.

16 Young Carers Action Day

24 Feeding Britain Providing Pathways from poverty webinar, 4pm - 5pm, [Sign up here.](#)

19 Green Fair, Truro Cathedral. 10am - 4pm.

APRIL

5 Poverty Forum, via Zoom. 2pm, Email Rosey Sanders for the link.

LIVING OUT FAITH IN THE WORKPLACE

Do you find it a challenge sometimes to connect your Christian faith to your work? If so you are not alone!

Andrew Yates and Jill Edwards from the diocesan social responsibility team are inviting you to meet and share your experience with others. The aim is to explore the challenges and opportunities of living out our faith in the workplace, to help us become more aware of God in our work and to see our jobs as part of God's wider plan for the world.

If you would like to be part of this conversation (initially for a one-off on Zoom) then please register your interest with Rosey Sanders via email at Rosey.Sanders@truro.anglican.org and we will circulate a doodle poll to find most popular date to meet.

**CALENDAR OF
SPECIAL SUNDAYS &
DAYS OF INTEREST 2022**



SPOTLIGHT ON

LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD

The Cornwall Food Access Alliance is keen to listen to the experience of all those involved in delivering food to those in need across Cornwall and then sharing that information. As part of the partnership with Cornwall Council, the Chair Andrew Yates and Matt Sharp from Public Health have co-authored these questions to identify areas of priority.

Whatever the next 12 months brings there is no doubt that food insecurity will unfortunately continue to be a reality for many people.

Many food aid providers have

asked how these experiences can be collected and shared in order to understand what has helped and what will be needed over the next 12 months to continue addressing food insecurity in Cornwall.

Your participation is vital as the (anonymised) results will be shared with you in full to continue the collaboration and shared learning that has been so important.

The closing date for responses has been extended to March 14, 2022.

[READ MORE HERE](#)

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

God of peace, your prophet Isaiah promised swords would be turned into ploughshares, and your son's mother Mary proclaimed the mighty would be put down and the humble exalted: visit the people of Ukraine; deliver them from fear, violence, attack, injury, destruction, death; and give them courage, solidarity and allies in their hour of vulnerability and sorrow. Turn the hearts of those bent on war and invasion.

Strengthen the hand of all seeking to halt conflict, restore order, and pursue justice. And make this moment of peril an occasion for your Holy Spirit to show your world the cost of conflict and our dependence on one another. In Christ our Lord, who went to his death because of our hatred, and rose again because our hatred is never stronger than your indomitable love.

Amen

From St Martin in the Fields

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ENERGY SAVING TIPS

Saving energy doesn't need to be complicated. There are some simple ways you can reduce your energy usage and save money on your energy bills, including using LED bulbs and switching suppliers.

With energy prices soaring, now's the time to make those changes that could help to cut your gas and electricity bills. While you can't do anything to lower the cost of energy, you can reduce the amount you use in your home to save money and help the environment at the same time!

We've all heard about putting on an extra jumper instead of turning on the heating, but there are lots of other ways you could save energy at home. Some will make more of a difference than others, but together these actions could help you to save money on your energy bills and reduce the impact of rising energy prices.

See Energy Saving Tips on the diocesan website [here](#).



CREATION CARE NETWORK

The monthly Creation Care Network live ZOOM gathering will take place on the first Thursday of the month between 10am and 12 noon.

The next one will be on Thursday, April 7, 2022, you can register [here](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

In the week after these Zoom gatherings, we will circulate an email update with links to relevant events and resources to equip each of us in our local context.

We hope and pray that in time we will be able to arrange some in person gatherings / social events to help this new network flourish.

CORNWALL CHURCHES ENVIRONMENT GROUP

This is a lively Network of Christians from all the denominations in Cornwall who come together on a monthly basis for an on-line meeting to share resources and ideas. They recently created an Act of Worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – One World One Church which can still be viewed on the Churches Together in Cornwall [website](#) and on the [CTC YouTube Channel](#).

This Ecumenical Network is open to churches and Christians across Cornwall with the aim of sharing ideas and plans and occasional joint acts of worship. Meetings are held on last Tuesday of each month The next one is on Tuesday, March 29 at 1pm. Plans are being made for a Forest Church Service in Falmouth on May 15 at 3pm.

For more information about CCEG contact Olive Stevens olivestevens5@gmail.com



Big Green Fair

Saturday 19 March 10:00–16:00

Networking for churches, charities, businesses and civic organisations with an interest in tackling climate change and the degradation of the natural environment.

Entry for visitors will be free and all are welcome.

Come and tell others what you are doing.
Come and find out what others are doing.

Speakers' Corner

Key note session with film by Cornwall Climate Care and Q & A, led by Rt Revd Hugh Nelson, Bishop of St Germans

To book a table or a 'speaker's corner' slot, visit the Truro Cathedral website

www.trurocathedral.org.uk



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FUNDING

SMALL GRANTS

THE WOODROFFE BENTON FOUNDATION SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME provides grants of between £500 and £2,500 to smaller UK registered charities working in the areas of the relief of hardship, care for the elderly, education & youth development, and the environment & conservation. The Small Grants Programme is currently closed to applications but is expected to reopen at the beginning of March 2022.

Email: secretary@woodroffebenton.org.uk

CORNWALL WOMEN'S FUND

The Cornwall Women's Fund aims to support community projects in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly where women and girls will be the main beneficiaries, and to inspire ambition and enable achievement.

Nomination deadline: Friday, April 1, 2022
Funder: Cornwall Women's Fund (via Cornwall Community Fund)

To be eligible applicants must:

- be a not-for-profit organisation or group working with women and/or girls in Cornwall or the Isles of Scilly (groups do not have to be registered charities).
- Be working with women and/or girls to support them in gaining/maintaining employment.
- plan expenditure of grant within 12 months of any award.
- show that the project or activity will bring about tangible positive outcomes for women/girls.

More information here.

YOUNG CARERS ACTION DAY

March 16 is Young Carers Action Day.

Young carers show their love for their relatives every day by caring for them in practical ways – doing adults' work from planning and cooking meals, cleaning the house, taking care of medicine, household chores and running errands, even sharing the emotional burdens of the adults in their life.

Father God we thank you that when we come to you we have a Father who is good. You provide all we need to flourish.

We pray for Your mercy and provision for every child and young person whose parents are unable to care for them as they would like - because of their own burdens, disabilities or problems. And we pray for the parents of these children – in the midst of all of their emotional and physical difficulties please help them find ways of loving their children well.

Amen

Check Out for more resources **Young Carers Action Day 2022 resources**

CORNWALL FAITH FORUM CENTRE SURVEY

Covid has made a big impact on worship within all the Cornish faith communities and many of us have had to adjust and perhaps no longer prioritise worshipping physically together. So this offers us an opportunity to re-consider our commitment to the vision for the Centre for Peace and Faith known as Dor Kemmyn.. Cornwall Faith Forum is reviewing our latest business plan in the light of the impact of the pandemic and a key part of this review is a survey of peoples views on what a centre for peace

and faith can offer Cornwall.

Please complete the short questionnaire **online** and encourage others to do so by Friday, March 18. A paper version is also available here: **CFF Dor Kemmyn Questionnaire final.**

Membership of CFF is free – and open to all It is easy to sign up. Visit **CFF Membership – Dorkemmyn** or email Cornwall.faithforum@truro.anglican.org

FAITH IN THE TIME OF THE NEW NORMAL

A series of Lenten conversations hosted by The Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education is taking place on March 17, 31 and April 7.

This series aims to help congregations and house groups reflect on how Christians may understand the changes we've been through as a society, and the new 'place' we may be entering. It will draw on and introduce participants to resources from the tradition and offer them some tools for reflection to carry

forward towards Easter.

Each live session will run 7pm - 8:45pm and will include a 30-minute talk plus 50 minutes for reflection in groups.

Andrew Yates will be running a group If you would like to join this for one or some of the sessions – either in person in the Penzance Area or via Zoom Contact him at Andrew.Yates@truro.anglican.org Tel 07773088906

TWO GENERATIONS PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR

The **Two Generations** project is coming to Cornwall, matching older people with a spare room with younger people needing accommodation, for companionship, reducing isolation, and helping the older person stay independent at home.

The new Cornwall Co-ordinator will work from home, 20 hours/week, flexibly, and

with travel across Cornwall, matching and organising pairings. eight month contract with the possibility of extension. £25,000 (pro rata). To apply for this role, please email your CV and maximum one side cover letter to hr@twogenerations.co.uk with the subject line: Cornwall Coordinator. No closing date given.

MODERN SLAVERY

On Thursday, March 17 at 7:30-8:30pm The Clewer Initiative (TCI) are running a free 1-hour online awareness raising sessions on modern slavery and safeguarding for people working and volunteering in foodbanks and Cornish faith based social action projects.

The workshop will be delivered by Becca Faal and Helen Styles (safeguarding consultants for TCI) alongside members of the TCI team. This workshop will build on any previous experience you have of safeguarding and modern slavery. It will help you to get some answers to:

What is modern slavery?
Why are foodbanks important in the response to modern slavery?
What do I need to know about safeguarding when working with potential victims?
Where can I get further information and training from?

Please book [here](#).

TELEPHONE SIGNPOSTING INFORMATION LIST

Transformation Cornwall has updated its Telephone Signposting Information List.

Packed with essential information about local and national services working throughout Cornwall, the list has information about a whole range of support with debt advice, mental health, employment, disabilities, carers, veterans, housing & fuel.

You can download the list [here](#).

CORNWALL BEREAVEMENT NETWORK EVENT

The wonderful Newquay Foodbank currently have some amazing volunteer roles available. Have a look at the various roles on their [website](#) or email volunteers@newquayfoodbank.co.uk to find out more.

SPOTLIGHT ON

SCHOOL UNIFORM POVERTY

As the cost of living increases, many of the partner agencies and groups who work with us in supporting families have told us that more and more families are raising concerns about the costs of school uniform. This is particularly the case in the secondary sector or where items are only available from one supplier. In some cases they tell us that children and young people are missing school due to not having the correct uniform.

Transformation Cornwall, alongside Cornwall Independent Poverty Forum (CIPF) and Volunteer Cornwall, have developed a School Uniform Recycling Toolkit to encourage schools wishing to set up a school uniform recycling project or develop an existing scheme. The toolkit even includes details of a small grant fund to help with a schemes expenses.

School uniform recycling projects are a fantastic way to reduce the financial burden on families whilst promoting the recycling and reuse of clothing.

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concerns about the costs of school uniform.

New statutory guidance released by the Department for Education last year now requires Trusts and Governing Bodies to consider a number of potential impacts when setting their uniform policy, including affordability and environmental impact. All schools are expected to have reviewed their uniform policy in accordance with the guidance by September 2022.

The toolkit is available [here](#).

CHANGES AT TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL

After six years of working as part of the team, Project Manager, Jane Yeomans will be moving on from Transformation Cornwall from the April 1.

Jane writes: "I have taken this decision largely to spend more time with my family and also because I think that Transformation Cornwall is in a really strong place strategically and team wise so it seemed a great opportunity to pass the mantle on.

"I have been excited, stimulated and stretched by the opportunity to be involved in the growth and development of Transformation Cornwall and all that we are achieving within our vision of seeing faith at the

heart of flourishing communities in Cornwall.

"I have absolutely loved my time at Transformation Cornwall and working with the most incredible people and projects that are at the very heart of Cornish service. I have experienced great love, support and encouragement both from my team and partner organisations. Transformation Cornwall is a phenomenal organisation that I feel very privileged to have been a part of."

**TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL
FOOD BANK UPDATE**

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LISKEARD & LOOE FOODBANK APPEAL

The innovative team at Liskeard & Looe Foodbank have a Crowdfunder appeal to support their customers with financial pressures brought on by soaring energy and food costs. The foodbank is raising funds to be able to distribute slow cookers to people/families who visit the foodbank. As part of the project the

foodbank is also looking to provide a booklet with easy recipe ideas along, hints and tips on how to get the most out of a slow cooker & on-line tutorials showing how to cook the recipes from the booklet provided. To find out more and links to donate to the project click [here](#).

CHURCHES TOGETHER VACANCY

Churches Together in Cornwall (CTC) has an exciting opportunity for a Team Co-ordinator. This new home-based voluntary position will act as the first point of contact for CTC, working to develop numerous projects at county and local level.

To find out more, click [here](#).



SPRING EVENT 2022

Wednesday 25th & Thursday 26th May
10:00am-1:00pm

2022 marks the tenth anniversary of our Meet the Funders programme. This year, our Spring Event will take place online via Zoom.

The days will be hosted by the Bishop of St Germans, the Rt Revd Hugh Nelson, and Donna Birrell, Vice-Chair of Churches Together in Cornwall. The event is open to people of all faiths and none.

Confirmed funders include: Allchurches Trust Ltd, Cornwall Community Foundation, National Lottery Community Fund, Garfield Weston, National Churches Trust, Cornwall Historic Churches Trust, Joseph Rank Trust, ASDA Foundation Grants.

📍 Online via Zoom

🌐 Book at: bit.ly/3gPlrAC

#MtFOnline22

For more information please email: info@transformation-cornwall.org.uk



CORNWALL Bereavement Day



Hosted by Cornwall Bereavement Network

DETAILS:

Date: Saturday 26th March 2022
Time: 1.30pm - 4pm
Venue: Truro Cathedral
All Welcome!
Refreshments Available



Cornwall Bereavement Network

ABOUT THE DAY:

Cornwall Bereavement Network are delighted to announce that they will be holding their first Cornwall Bereavement Day on Saturday 26th March, at Truro Cathedral. This drop-in event will run from 1.30pm - 4pm.

Anyone impacted by bereavement is welcome to come along and take part in:

- Crafts
- Good Grief Café
- Children's Activities
- Support Services

If you are an organisation supporting bereaved people and would also like to attend, then please get in touch.

Email: hello@cornwallbereavementnetwork.org
Website: www.cornwallbereavementnetwork.org



WEDNESDAY Weds 30th March 2022 at 2:00PM-3:30PM

FAITH & MENTAL HEALTH NETWORK

The Faith & Mental Health Network meets online each two months with a brief overview from a guest speaker.

For our 30th March meeting, we will be looking at 'Social Anxiety' and joined by Stacie Clark & Hayley Stanton, Co-Directors and Coaches at [Quiet Connections CIC](#). Quiet Connections help quieter and more sensitive people to tame feelings of social anxiety and not being 'good enough' through 1:1 Coaching and Courses and gently connecting people through Quiet Gatherings across Cornwall.

The Network welcomes pastoral visitors, clergy, chaplains, mental health practitioners, community volunteers, in fact, anyone who is supporting people who are struggling with mental health issues. The network is a mutually supportive group of people and offers a safe space to explore issues, share information, resources and best practice; relating faith to mental health and offering insights to help us help those we are standing alongside.

To register for a Zoom Link for this meeting please email Rosey.Sanders@truro.anglican.org



ARTHUR RANK COURSE

The Arthur Rank Centre Rural Ministry Course returns summer 2022!

Taking place Tuesday, June 14 – Thursday, June 16, at King's Park Conference Centre, Northampton.

The Rural Ministry Course is designed for lay and ordained church leaders across the denominations entering a rural appointment for the first time, and those already in rural ministry who feel the need for a 'refresher'.

The three-day programme employs a variety of approaches including practical sessions, group work and workshops led by practitioners, and includes sessions on understanding rural contexts, mission and growth, leadership, farming and work with children and young people in the countryside.

Fees are £300 per delegate for the residential course, which includes a one-year subscription to Country Way magazine.

[FIND OUT MORE HERE](#)

BOARD MEMBERS SOUGHT

Men Against Sexual Abuse (MASA) are seeking new board members.

MASA is based in Truro and wishes to expand its board of management with the possible option of becoming a trustee.

The number of men having suffered sexual abuse is significant and MASA's role of providing qualified counselling either 1-2-1 or group is much needed.

If you would like to find out more then please get in touch with Peter Bellenes Hon. Sec. via email salamanca1968@outlook.com

CINNAMON NETWORK

The Cinnamon Network offer a wide range of recommended training workshops. Check out Cinnamon Connect. Through Cinnamon Connect, you'll be able to connect with the people, resources, and knowledge to help your church transform your community. **Join now.**

SPOTLIGHT ON

WOMEN'S CENTRE CORNWALL

The Women's Centre Cornwall is a specialist provider of services for women and girls (11 years+) who have experienced any form of Sexual Violence, Rape, Sexual Assault, Childhood Sexual Abuse and/or Domestic Abuse at any point in their lives. They have recently started a new project that works throughout the county.

The SPARK Project is all about women helping women to overcome difficulties

and turn things around. The team are here for you to provide a safe space, so you can access support for challenges such as healthy relationship building, addiction, mental health and well-being, domestic abuse, homelessness, sex work or prostitution, finances and employment. No matter what your situation, we are here for you - we have great networks of support, so that you can take a breath, heal, grow and thrive. Tel: 01208 77099 or visit the website [here](#).

ZERO HOURS JUSTICE

ZERO HOURS JUSTICE offer help and support to workers on zero hours contracts. Over the last year they have helped workers with issues including pay, harassment in the workplace, issues around furlough (before the scheme

closed) as well as trying to encourage employers to offer workers a fixed contract instead of a zero hours one. They can offer advice **online** or by phone on 01904 900 151.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED FOR AGE UK

Age UK is looking for volunteer drivers to transport people to non-urgent hospital and other medical appointments, as well as social activities. They are looking for people who can drive their minibuses and

electric vehicles, or their own cars.

To find out more, call 01872 266 383 and speak to the Community Helpline.

CORNWALL SOCIAL PRESCRIBING NETWORK

Come and join the first Cornwall Social Prescribing Network event of 2022 and hear from the Director of Public Health as well as updates from other professionals in the world of social prescribing.

look at and discuss how we can develop a shared social prescribing strategy for Cornwall.

The meeting takes place online on March 16 from 4pm to 6pm. Book [here](#).

The main focus of the meeting will be to

FREEDOM FROM ADDICTION WEBINAR RECORDING

The Cinnamon Network's Freedom from Addiction webinar had so much wisdom shared by panelists Ricky McAddock and Alex Nicol. Here's a quick recap:

- Churches are well placed to support those journeying with addiction
- The opposite of addiction is not sobriety but connection

- Local authorities are open to working with faith-based groups
- You don't need to be an expert to respond.

If you weren't able to join us, then don't worry - you can watch the webinar and download the resources by clicking [here](#).

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