

The St Germans Star

Where love shines a light since 2020

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Hello

'The pen is mightier than the sword' so they say. That saying seems a little old-fashioned nowadays and I think that 'the printer ink is more expensive than the sword' is much more up-to-date. Thankfully we've managed to secure £100 of funding from a Cornwall Council community chest crisis grant for printer ink and paper. Thanks Jesse Foot for arranging this and thanks to all of those who, over the past weeks, have helped out with printing!

Sadly the 49th St Germans Flower and Vegetable show is cancelled this year but please ensure you get behind the event next year to make it a super show.

Kirstie Dickson has been working hard on developing the St Germans Star website; she's done a kids' page, a permanent set of pages to record life during COVID 19 in the form of pictures, stories and activities. Please have a look and see what you can offer.

Verity Duncan

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Food and essentials:

St Germans Shop. There are now newspapers and magazines at the shop! It will also open every Sunday from 9-11am (shop only)

Bake Lakes Café: This is open from 8-5 daily and you can grab a bite to eat, an ice cream or just go for a peaceful walk. Check out their Facebook page 'Pigout Café'.

Yummy Cakes of Liskeard. Will deliver cakes free to our area, including a £10 treat box.
07793674249 yummy-liskeard@hotmail.com

St Germans Community Larder: This is still going very strong – loads of food, books and toys. If you can please donate (cash or produce), if you can't- no worries.

Princess Daily Walks: Whilst completing her daily exercise, Becca Jayne dresses up as a princess to put a smile on the faces of the young and not so young. Find her on 'Princess Daily Walks' on Facebook.

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Tea Break

Riddles:

What has a bottom at the top?

If James is five, Henry is three and Edward is two. Who is one?

What has a head, a tail, is brown and has no legs?

What word becomes shorter if you add two letters?

Geoff Williams says if you can match over 10 of these homes to their addresses you are a St Germans Geographical Genius! (No asking Postie Gill for help!)

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| 1 Tiptoe Cottage | a. Lovely Lane |
| 2 Rose Cottage(s) | b. Quay Road |
| 3 Fancy Cottage | c. Bag Lane |
| 4 oneA | d. Bag Lane |
| 5 Railway Cottage | e. Newport |
| 6 Colgare | f. Fore Street |
| 7 Tanyard | g. Lower Fairfield |
| 8 Eliot Cottage | h. Quarry Street |
| 9 The Old Rectory | i. Gallery Lane |
| 10 Cuddenbeake | j. Old Quay Lane |
| 11 The Almshouses | k. Church Street |
| 12 Vine Cottage | l. Quay Road |

Answers

St Germans:

Brittany	I's V's and X's	Infant	The Red Lion or The King's Arms
1908	Lewington	8 ½	Fountain below the Station
The Old Cemetery (Commonwealth Graves)			By the Bridge down by the Old Under 5s

They Rhyme every time:

Picard/Yard	Greece/Fleece	Chips/Kipps	Barlow/Garbo
Stokes/Blokes	Train/ Brain	Ale/Kale	Heart/Chart
Mouse/Greenhouse		Spade/Marmalade	

World War 2 Quiz:

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| 1. 19 | 2. Luftwaffe | 3. Alan Turing | 4. Penmadown House | 5. 30 April 1945 |
| 6. Karl Doenitz | | 7. May 9 th | 8. 1954 | |

This week's BIG SHOUT OUTS

Star of the week. Gareth Duncan: For spending the past ten weeks homeschooling, DIYing and making the garden extra special. This gave me the chance to get on with my job in peace! Now, after less than two working days' notice he's mobilised with the Army and has just arrived in London where he will be working to support the NHS at their headquarters for the foreseeable future. Thanks too for finally discovering where the kitchen is. Verity, Matilda and Sebastien x

Birthdays. Jacob Robinson will be 13 on 29 June
Harry Daw will be 25 on 31 May
Rex Wright will be 25 on 28 June
Kirstie Dickson has a birthday on 8 June

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How to contact me: If you're on Facebook, please 'like' our St Gemans COVID 19 page and follow. If you'd like to have a message added to the newsletter, please email me: verityduncan@yahoo.co.uk or call 01503 230995 between 1900-2000 if possible.

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Quote of the week: *The things you think are the disasters in your life are not the disasters really. Almost anything can be turned around: out of every ditch, a path, if only you can see it.* Bring up the bodies. Hilary Mantel.



Day 21 of self-isolation
and the DIY haircut
hasn't been a **complete**
success.....

The Day dawned. After 10 weeks of lockdown, and no sign of hairdressers being allowed to open yet, my husband and I were to cut each other's hair. We viewed some videos on Youtube. We waited until my latest online purchase of hairdressing scissors and thinners arrived. Drawing from my decades-old experience of cutting the hair of our three pre-school children and my husband's experience of trimming cattle, with bated breath we set to work. As no one has yet commented on the outcome we can only assume our efforts have passed muster, for the time being at least. And we can add a new skill to our respective CVs in the university of life.

There are many people who are using this time of lockdown to learn a new skill, or to have a new experience. Some are teaching their children in a more formal, structured way. Some are learning a language, anticipating a time when international travel may be possible again. Some are coming to grips with the technology which enables them to see and chat with family and friends. Some are discovering if they have green fingers by gardening for the first time. Some are even suggesting their lockdown project will become their future employment. Whatever our particular "lockdown project" may be there seems something within us which prompts us to be creative and productive with our time, whatever our situation.

Christians believe creativity reflects something of the nature of God, not only in creation itself but as one who in love and life is "doing a new thing", to quote the book of Isaiah, a new thing which is always good. So celebrate your creativity, enjoy the opportunities that are still available to learn and share and care.

Every blessing, stay well Rev Iris