

Another Good School Report From Ofsted



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Methodist Musings – Happy Easter!

Someone once asked me, “What is your favourite season?” It was very difficult to answer, because there’s something in every season that I like: sunshine in summer, festivals in autumn, Christmas in winter, and colourful flowers in spring.

Spring is also the season of many saints days: St Piran, St David and St Patrick, when people celebrate in their own unique ways. But perhaps the greatest springtime celebration is that of Easter, which for Christians is both the high and low point of their year. It starts in

earnest with Holy Week on Palm Sunday (13th April), when we recall Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem, and ends on Easter Sunday with the joy of Jesus’ resurrection.

In between there are the sombre days of the Last Supper with his friends, where he gave symbols of bread and wine, still used today as a remembrance when we celebrate Holy Communion, and Good Friday, when Jesus paid the ultimate sacrifice by dying a cruel and inhumane death on a cross, alongside the criminals in society, instigated by the jealousy of powerful faith leaders who wanted him out of the way.

What a roller-coaster ride it must have been for his friends and family, with some days feeling like there was very little hope for life going forward. I’ve spoken to many people recently who feel somewhat similar as we switch on or read the daily news reports of ongoing wars, suffering and uncertainty. It can sometimes feel that everything is spiralling out of control and we wonder where it will all end.

Hindsight is a wonderful thing, and in the case of Easter it shows us that even in the darkest times there is hope. For Christians, that hope is found in Jesus, who is the only person throughout history who is documented to have been resurrected from death, which today is still relevant as it offers us forgiveness and freedom from the sinfulness of life and abundant and eternal life starting here and now.

Humanly speaking, this Easter hope is impossible for us to understand, but spiritually, it offers us hope, for life. Perhaps we’ve previously dismissed Jesus as fable or myth, or perhaps we’re saving him for a rainy day. Well, maybe this year is a time to think about the hope that God offers us through the events of Easter, the hope that we see springing up in the daffodils and tulips as our gardens fill with colour once more, and we remember that life is for living, to its fullest.

However you celebrate Easter, may you experience, love, joy and hope in all its fullness.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.”
(Romans 15:13)

Julie Swann
Church & Community Worker
Camelford and Week St Mary Methodist Circuit



St Teath School Report



Following our recent Ofsted inspection on the 14th and 15th January 2025, we are delighted to update you that we received Ofsted grade 'good' for the four key areas (quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development and leadership and management). We are proud of our lovely village school: the hard work from the pupils and staff, and the support from parents is so appreciated by everyone.

In lessons recently, we have been learning all about the wonderful place we live and we had a super time celebrating St Piran's Day. To commemorate this special occasion, the whole school joined together to sing 'Cornwall My Home' outside in the sunshine (display pictured below left).

Reading and books are very important to us. We have a wonderful Book Corner in school – a cosy place for readers to enjoy our library – and we are developing plans to extend this. So, we really enjoyed celebrating World Book Day on the 6th March, reading, enjoying and sharing books together (one reader pictured below right).

We have a lot of super events to look forward to this term, so here are some dates for your diary:

Easter Bake Sale at school – Tuesday 1st April 2025
Wednesday 2nd April – Spring Celebration in Church at 10.30
Wednesday 2nd April – Take the Stage at 7pm in the Church Hall
Friday 4th April – Egg roll and Egg design competition

We look forward to seeing you at our Take the Stage event (see advert on page 17).

Juliet Davies
Headteacher/SENDCo





ST. TEATH PARISH COUNCIL

Parish councils are the most local tier of local government. Councillors make decisions that influence how the Council works. The decisions they make affect the lives of everyone who lives, works or visits the parish. Councillors are representatives of their community with a connection to the area, acting with integrity to make the best decisions for residents on local services in the area.

If you are a Councillor, you will:

- Represent everyone in your area;
- Be a community leader, bringing together partner organisations;
- Help sort out problems for the people you represent;
- Work with community groups, the police and others to get things done;
- Hold the Council and other public organisations to account for their performance and the decisions they make;
- Help agree the budget for the Council and the level of tax;
- Help decide which services the Council will provide;
- Be honest, open and abide by accepted standards of public life;
- Work with the Council Officers to help resolve issues in your Ward and receive their support to do your job;
- Explain and justify Council decisions and policies;
- Be a public figure and have your contact details published as a point of contact.

Could you do it? It is important that the Council represents a cross-section of all the walks of life of our community and that Councillors have different levels of education, knowledge and experience.

Using your own skills and experience will help make a real difference to your council and your community.

If you are interested in standing for the St Teath Parish Council, please contact Julie Fairman on

clerk@stteathparishcouncil.gov.uk

Annual Parish Meeting
Thursday 15 May
6pm
Community Centre

All individuals, local clubs, community groups and organisations are invited to the Annual Parish Meeting dedicated to the biodiversity that makes our local environment so special.

Come and share how you are working with the environment to protect and preserve our parish. From growing flowers and vegetables to planned biodiversity projects - from wild bird counts and community gardening to litter picking - there's so much going on in St Teath.

This is your chance to share what you are doing, and suggest and discuss new ideas to help grow and protect our parish.

Light refreshments available

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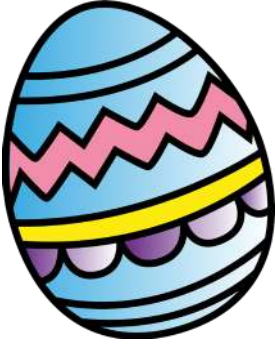
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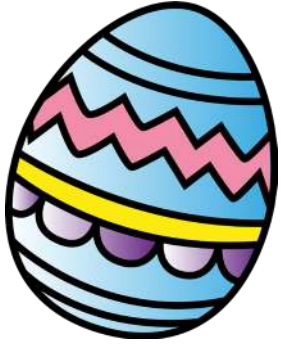
So where does the litter in our village and surrounding lanes come from? We can think, charitably, that much is dropped by mistake or blown from refuse lorries. But the only realistic reason is that the greater part is flung from cars: cans, bottles, snack packs, pasty wrappers and burger boxes are typical items. Sheer ignorance.

Join us in doing a little to spruce up our lovely village. We meet by the pub on the first and third Thursday in the month and, my, we are a merrie band. Dates for your diary: 3rd and 17th April, 1st and 15th May. Easy and harder routes. Coffee and chat afterwards.



EASTER BINGO NIGHT

In aid of
Carnival Funds and Christmas Lights
Friday 4th April
Lots of Easter eggs to be won!
At the Hall ~ Eyes down at 7.30pm



Forthcoming bingo dates in the Hall: 3rd May & 6th June

Cartoon Corner



St Teath Art Group Exhibition in Bude

Congratulations to all the village artists who exhibited their work last month at The Willoughby Gallery at The Castle in Bude. Your intrepid Timepiece co-editors ventured northeast to view the artworks, which represented a range of styles and techniques, and were thoroughly impressed by the wonderful display of talent. Well done all!



A Letter From Your MP

Hello again St. Teath! It's time for another update on what has been an absolutely packed few weeks. One of the biggest local issues I raised in Parliament was the sewage disaster at the Chapelfields development over in St Mabyn. Residents have been left dealing with an utterly unacceptable sewage situation, and I made it clear that water companies must be held accountable for these failings. Infrastructure should always be in place before any new development begins, not as an afterthought. I have also contacted South West Water directly, demanding further urgent action to resolve the issue.



The state of Bodmin's GP services has also remained a top priority for me these last few weeks. Bosvena Health continues to run at 150% capacity, while thousands more homes are due to be built in the town. This is completely unsustainable, and I have now escalated the issue directly with the Health Minister, calling for urgent action to secure a second GP building. The delays in securing this vital new facility have already gone on far too long (having been promised a long time ago), and I will not let the issue drop until Bodmin gets this investment in health services.

I also stood up for Cornwall's farmers in Parliament, after DEFRA suddenly shut down new applications to the Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI) with no notice whatsoever. Farmers were told they'd have six weeks' warning before any changes were made, yet were instead blindsided overnight. With SFI cuts, the family farm tax, and facing rocketing costs, the Government is making life harder for farmers. I challenged the Minister directly in the House of Commons, asking why any young person would want to enter farming in the current climate. Shockingly, his response was to laugh it off – a real slap in the face to farmers here in North Cornwall.

Meanwhile, out on the doorsteps of North Cornwall, I've been meeting with residents in Bodmin, St Eval and many other areas, listening to concerns and gathering feedback on local issues. I also held another constituency surgery, giving people the opportunity to raise issues with me directly. A polite reminder that if you need my help with casework or issues affecting you, please get in touch via ben.maguire.mp@parliament.uk, and I'll be happy to help in any way I can.

I also visited both Callywith College and Launceston College and spoke with so many bright students. It's always great to hear from young people who are engaged and passionate about the world, and I'd like to thank the staff and pupils of both colleges for having me along.

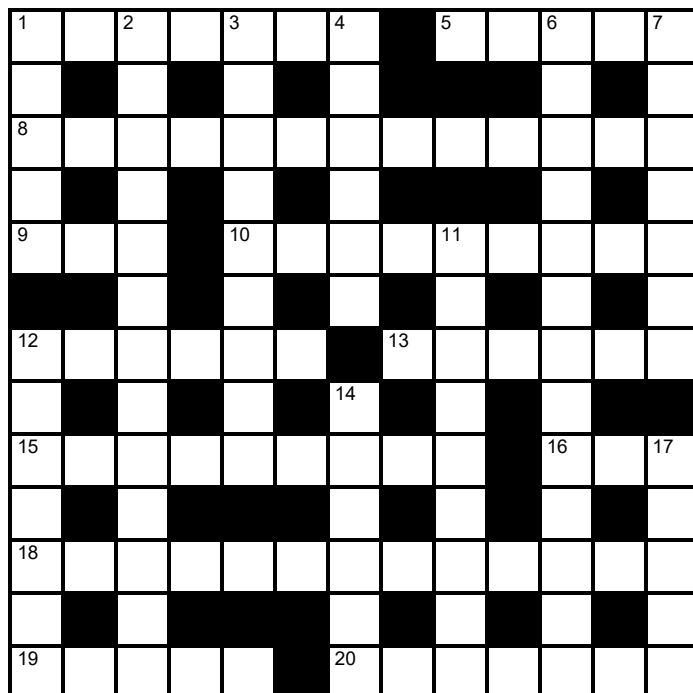
In other news, Cornwall's future was a major topic on the Politics South West programme, where I stood up and made the case for a Cornwall-only devolution deal. The people of Cornwall overwhelmingly reject any move to merge us into a 'Devonwall' combined authority, and I made clear that our unique cultural and historical identity must be respected. Devolution should empower Cornwall, NOT lump us into a broader, Plymouth-led authority that does not reflect our needs.

Lastly, I've been keeping up pressure on Cornwall Council over the Newquay Airport debacle. After wasting £1 million of public money on a botched sale, the same Conservative cabinet member responsible has now landed a £70,000-a-year job at the airport! This raises serious concerns about transparency and accountability, and I will continue pushing for answers.

Ben Maguire | Liberal Democrat MP for North Cornwall | ben.maguire.mp@parliament.uk

Timepiece Crossword

Answers on page 24



Across

- 1 Hear male chest is post holder (7)
- 5 Headwear starts to imitate another royal accessory (5)
- 8 Dizzy Stacey slimmed to base ten (7,6)
- 9 Could be Brazil rolls a barrel (3)
- 10 Bank identifier makes stick more desensitised (3,6)
- 12 Ancient supernatural being moaned dreadfully (6)
- 13 Six precede revolution of French red - endless energy (6)
- 15 Car, maybe a Ford, features on camera (9)
- 16 Short vicar hides in miniature vestry (3)
- 18 Approved eraser ready for posting (6-7)
- 19 Joins esteem reversal endlessly (5)
- 20 Good friend Mary shaken in Syrian city (7)

Down

- 1 Central street after dim turning (5)
- 2 Tossing coin nest on table can't be disputed (13)
- 3 Crowd turns on oil company before ceiling provides sturdy protection (9)
- 4 Mathematical unknowns on the French north-east solvent (6)
- 6 Personal account that shakes your tag phobia (13)
- 7 A red rim around fan (7)
- 11 Remove French one in kiosk (9)
- 12 Picture help returning to lightweight (7)
- 14 Misbehaves and naughty pa cuts (4,2)
- 17 Initially, virus only dies knowing another spirit (5)

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Revd. Nicki Writes...

Dear Friends

As we move into April, Easter is fast approaching. What does Easter mean to you? For some, it is the enjoyment of the bank holidays and having some family time. For children and teachers, it is a break from school and hopefully some rest and relaxation. For others, it marks the end of the Lent fast and looking forward to those luxuries that may have been given up over the past 40 days. Easter is the end of a season of reflection and self-searching, with a step into a new season and the fullness of life the Easter story brings.



Easter marks the new beginning of Christ rising from the tomb, having overcome sin and death and rising to new life. It is a story that was significant to the disciples and the early followers of Jesus, but one that is also significant to us today, when we recognise how our story fits into the story of God and his love for people shown through the life and death of Jesus Christ.

The disciples had journeyed with Jesus for 3 years, listening to his teaching, witnessing him dealing compassionately with people, healing the sick and observing outward demonstrations of love, not just to a few but to all who wanted to hear and receive, including those on the margins of society.

The disciples were often confused and bewildered as Jesus prepared them for his final days where they would be part of the triumphant ride into Jerusalem, waving palms and shouting Hallelujah, to the sharing of the final meal together, where Jesus performed an outrageous act of love and service as he washed their feet. This led on to the anguishing pain of the horrific crucifixion, the lowest point where they thought their friend was gone, to the glorious moment of the resurrection where they gradually started to understand all he had been telling them. They realised that a story that had been full of despair and hopelessness was quite the opposite. It was an act of love that brought about a new season of life, one that was full of hope and transformation.

We each have our own life story and we can often feel confused and bewildered at the complexities of life. But are we willing, like the disciples, to trust Jesus, even if we don't fully understand, in order that we too can find that hope and love in our own lives?

Holy Week takes us on a journey of emotions, from celebration to sadness and back into the glorious light of Easter and the resurrection. You are warmly invited to services across our group of churches that enter into this story; details can be found in the churches or on the website at camelallenchurches.org.uk. I pray that the glorious light of Easter will allow the love of Christ, as he opened wide his arms on the cross, to embrace you afresh this year as you are reminded of this truth.

'For God so loved the world / that he gave his one and only Son / that whoever believes in him / shall not perish but have eternal life.' (John 3:16)

May you have a Blessed Easter.
Reverend Nicki



Flower Festival 2025

It's a Flower Festival year, and it will be on Friday 25th, Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th July in St Teath Church.

The theme will be 'Cathedrals and their Cities', and we welcome displays from village groups and individuals.

This can show just the Cathedral itself or include anything of special interest about the City.

A suitable flower arrangement should represent your display.

If you would like to do a display, please contact Yvonne on 01208 850497 to let her know which Cathedral and City you would like to showcase.

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County Council

The government has created some confusion around some local elections this year as they press ahead with their devolution ambitions. However, Cornwall Council and Town and Parish elections are still happening on Thursday May 1st.

Recent political choices have shown how important our local elections are - with our car parks being privatised and outsourced to out-of-county operators, and the closure of local Adult Education Centres and bus routes. For these reasons and many others, I urge you to use your vote to ensure that you get a Council that reflects your expectations and values.



There are certain key dates that you need to be aware of.

- Deadline to register to vote (if you're not already registered): Friday 11 April 2025
- Deadline to apply to vote by post or to change or cancel an existing postal vote or proxy vote: Monday 14 April
- Deadline to apply for Voter Authority Certificate or to apply to vote by proxy: Weds 23 April

If you've changed address or moved home since registering to vote at the general election last year, it takes just five minutes to update your details at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote, and don't forget that you will also need to show photo ID at polling stations this May. Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of photo ID can apply for free ID online.

For personal reasons I will not be standing for re-election on May 1st. I have represented you now for nearly nine years and it has been both an honour and privilege to do so. Being chosen to represent over 5,000 voters over six parishes has been a humbling yet enjoyable responsibility that I have always taken very seriously.

I have met and engaged with hundreds of wonderful people and have never been threatened or abused – even when tackling quite difficult issues. I have also regularly attended our Parish Council meetings and continue to be impressed with the strength and resilience of these bands of volunteers working hard on behalf of their communities.

I know that my party – the Liberal Democrats – has already selected a very capable and caring local candidate for the election and I am sure that other political parties will be bringing forward their nominations as we get closer to the day. Please use your vote on May 1st and thank you for allowing me the pleasure and opportunity to represent our area at New County Hall these past years – it is a period of my life that I will always look back upon with immense pride.

Dominic Fairman | Cornwall Councillor | St Teath & Tintagel Division
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P.S. Thank you also to all of the team at the Timepiece for regularly including my updates over the years – it has been very much appreciated. ~Dominic

Note from the editors: Thank you Dominic for the always thought-provoking and interesting articles that you have written for us.

The World Day of Prayer

St Tetha Church took part in the World Day of Prayer on 7th March. This special day is a time for women to come together in prayer and action for peace and justice, encouraging awareness of other cultures and countries.

This year's theme, from Psalm 139, encouraged a focus on the relationship between God and each individual, emphasizing that God knows, is with, and made each person unique. Women worldwide were invited to join in prayer and action, expressing the same praise and making the same requests. The Cook Islands led the call to prayer this year, with women all around the world sharing the same prayers. If you would like to know more about this day, you can go to <https://worlddayofprayer.net/index.html>



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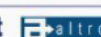
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Peter James's 'Picture you Dead' on Thursday 3rd July at 2.30pm. Cost £28 a seat.

Calamity Jane on Thursday 7th August at 2.30pm. Cost £31 a seat.

Both leaving from the White Hart at 12.45. To book a seat for either of the performances please call Di Cox on 01208 850983.

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Fridays: Wadebridge/Tesco. 9.30am from White Hart (returning at 12 noon)

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Birthday Wishes

11th Many happy returns of the day to Barbara Strachan.
With love from your friends and the Timepiece team.

28th Wishing Woodbine a very happy birthday.

30th Happy Birthday to Gerald!

Please send us any birthdays you'd like to see mentioned in Timepiece. Contact details are on the back page. Thank you!



V.E. Day

St Teath will be celebrating the
80th anniversary of V.E. Day on
Thursday 8th May in the
Community Centre,
10am – noon.

All are welcome.

Get your mowers and trimmers ready!

The first grasscutting session of the year will be next month, on Tuesday 6th May.

New volunteers welcome – meet in the churchyard or contact Gerald on 07770 568870.
We usually quench our thirst in the pub afterwards.



THANK YOU

THANK YOU FROM THE HALL COMMITTEE



THANK YOU

Huge thanks to everyone who supported the bingo night on 7th March in aid of Hall funds.
The evening raised a fabulous £400, which will go towards the costs of redecorating.
Special thanks to everyone who helped out on the night, and to Karen our Caller!

Speedwatch

During the last three Speedwatch sessions, the following speeders were recorded by the team:

1 x 39, 2 x 37, 1 x 35, 3 x 34, 3 x 33, 3 x 32, 5 x 31, 4 x 30, 2 x 29, 9 x 28, 6 x 27, 11 x 26, 8 x 25, 8 x 24

For the safety of all in the village, please watch your speed.

The Speedwatch Team



Worried about the new phone system? Confused about form-filling for government support?



Remember there are a few people and organisations in the village who are only too happy to help. Bob Fox and the Man Shed can assist with the phone switchover, and your Parish Council team is here to lend a hand, too.

If we can't help, we will find someone who can!

ALLOTMENT AVAILABLE

St Teath Allotment Association has a plot available for any new allotmentee. It's such a great time of year to start.

The plot does need a little bit of attention but comes with a small greenhouse and shed. Please call Nick Solomon with any enquiries on 07472 866401.



Church services at St Teath for April

Sunday 6th Apr	11 am	Family Communion
Sunday 13th Apr		NO SERVICE AT ST TEATH; 10.30 am Palm Sunday at Lanteglos
Tuesday 15th Apr	7 pm	Stations of the Cross
Friday 18th Apr		Children's activities for Good Friday; see posters for details.
Sunday 20th Apr	11 am	Easter Sunday Communion
Sunday 27th Apr	10 am	Breakfast Service

Please do contact Revd Nicola Farr or Gareth Stubberfield if we can help in any way:

Revd Nicola Farr, Rector, 01840 219376 revnfarr@icloud.com

Gareth Stubberfield, Churchwarden, 07498 580454 Stubbery2@hotmail.co.uk



Easter Monday 21st April

Easter Trail & Cream Tea

Childrens trail around the grounds with FREE easter egg, face painting, FREE bunny ears craft making, Easter colouring activities, and a homemade cream tea for the grown-ups!

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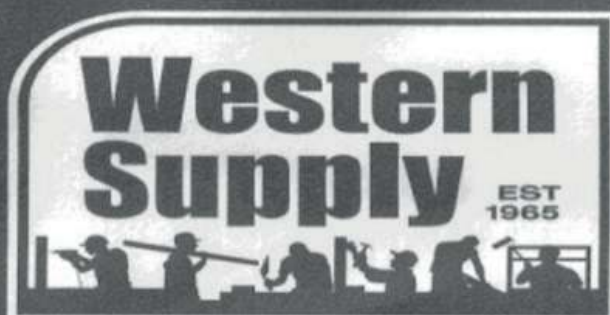
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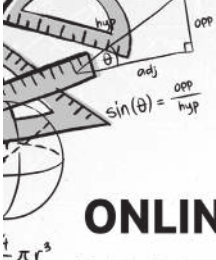
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Donations of cakes for these events would be very welcome.

At Coldnorthcott, between St Teath and Trelill, PL30 3LL



Fun sessions for babies and toddlers

**Monday 14th April 9:30am
St Teath Church. All welcome. No charge.**

Polly's Village Diary

Every Tuesday	Coffee Morning	10.30 am - midday	Community Centre
Every Tuesday	Yoga	9.15 - 10.15 am	Church Hall
Every Tuesday	Chair Yoga	10.30 am - 11.15 am	Church Hall
Every Wednesday	Art Group	2 - 4.30 pm	Community Centre
Every Thursday	Badminton Club	8.30 - 10 pm	Church Hall
2nd Friday	Joybirds	2.30 - 5 pm	Community Centre
	Main Meeting		
4th Tuesday	Joybirds	2.30 - 4.30 pm	Community Centre
	Book Club		
1st Thursday	Parish Council	7 - 9 pm	Community Centre
	Meeting		
1st & 3rd Thursday	Rubbish Ramblers	10 am	By the White Hart Pub

What's On In April and May

Weds 2nd April	7pm	Village Hall	Take the Stage with St Teath School
Fri 4th April	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Charity Bingo for Carnival/Lights
5th-6th April	Daily	R.C. Showground	CGS Spring Flower Show
Sun 6th April	12noon-5pm	Coldnorthcott, Trelill	NC Miniature Railway Open Day
Thurs 10th April	From ~5pm	Football Club	Cornish Pizza Box Company
Mon 14th April	9.30 am	Church	Rhythm & Rhyme
Mon 21st April	11.30 am & 2.30 pm	Pengenna Manor	Easter Trail and Cream Tea
Fri 3rd May	7.30 pm	Village Hall	Charity Bingo
Tues 6th May	Afternoon	Both churchyards	First grasscutting session
Thurs 8th May	10-12noon	Community Centre	V.E. Day 80th celebration
Thurs 15th May	6pm	Community Centre	Annual Parish Meeting

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Don't forget the NEW Village Website is now regularly updated:

<https://stteath.uk>

making it easy to advertise your local events.

Please use the contact form on the website.

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