# Justice & Peace News

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## **GOOD NEWS**

At our monthly meeting on 13 Dec we shared our Good News., which we would like to share with you as we await the Lord's coming at Christmas.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

One of our Group took part in a slow march demonstration of the NGO "Just Stop Oil" in London with 15 others. Patricia took this action and was willing to stand up and be counted.

#### **HEATING HELP**

Also good news of the thoughtfulness and kindness of one person which has led to a new organisation for helping those in great need with boilers and heating. A man gave his skills free to help someone with their boiler. This snowballed and he realised that there were many people who needed help as regards heating problems. So with crowdfunding a team of people undertook to provide assistance to those in desperate need. On one day alone 450 people e-mailed for help. One person had had no heating for years.

### **LIVE NATIVITY**

Good News for the first time for three years due to Covid, FPCT (Falmouth and Penryn Churches Together) held a Live Nativity in the forecourt of our parish church, during the town's Festive Weekend, despite the bitter cold and wind. The children's craft workshop was a great success too.

#### **UKRAINE**

The Minister and Lay Preacher of our local Methodist congregation have both extended a warm welcome to two refugee mothers and their daughters from Ukraine.

#### **CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

Although the % of Christians has decreased in the last census, people still expect the presence of the church in a time of crisis.

#### **CARE HOMES**

FPCT's outreach includes the Care Home Ministry. Every month our volunteers from local churches come together and hold a service for residents in the town's 10 care homes, nursing homes and sheltered accommodation flats. The services are specially geared to residents' needs and include hymns, bible readings and prayers.

#### **CHRISTMAS CRIB ON THE STREET**

St Mary's Church puts up a large Nativity Crib out on the street (protected from vandalism). Locals look out for this each year and sometimes the parish evangelisation team stand out on the pavement distributing mince pies and clementines and invite passers-by to come and look at the crib and see the real meaning of Christmas.

## FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

How can I share my talents or join with others to help those who are in great need?

Can I bring light into someone's life as Jesus brought light, love and hope into the world?



Falmouth Live Nativity 2022

