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GOOD NEWS

CAROLS

Even though we are not a Christian Country anymore, it is good that people still recognise the need to come together and sing carols at Christmas and express their good will.

CHILDREN IN NEED

At last Friday's BBC evening programme fundraising for Children in Need, a remarkable £4million was raised. This will go towards projects for disadvantaged children. The programme featured some wonderful children of courage and service to others. One young person who was a carer for her mother took to the stage and sang with the BBC Philharmonic orchestra.

COP 28

in Dubai in December will be attended by the Pope.

FALMOUTH

Is going to have another Community Café and a recording studio for local radio in Kimberley Park, which is an open space for families with an adventure playground, toddlers play area, table tennis facilities and green space for football, dogs and anyone else. This enables families to enjoy a free day out, picnic and enjoy the free show "Park Live" in the summer months.

The town council's more recent project of a community café at the Princess Pavilion has been a tremendous success, especially for groups and people with disability.

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

HISTORIC FLOODS UPROOT NATION

The UN has described floods that uprooted hundreds of thousands of people in Somalia and neighbouring countries. Following a historic drought as a once in a century event, the floods have forced more than 300,000 from their homes.

Yet this has not hit the world's headlines.

SHOCK STAT

The amount Shell plans to give to shareholders this year while cutting back its renewable energy projects and staff is £23 billion.

WORLD SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The latest UN report stated that progress worldwide is only 15%. The current stat for the UK is 81.7%.

SUDAN

24.7 million are in urgent need of humanitarian assistance. This includes 50% of all children in Sudan, which is still experiencing civil war.

SOUTH SUDAN

in affected by the great numbers of refugees coming over the border from Sudan.

Food Insecurity is greatly increasing as is displacement, lack of medical care, homelessness and poverty.

UKRAINE had slipped from the headlines with the middle east conflict.

ISRAEL /GAZA

The horrors of war have been so visible on our TV screens. Our hearts are deeply touched and pained by the 2 million displaced , the injured and bereaved, and especially the traumatised children.

May we not cease to pray daily for peace and justice, including humanitarian assistance for all peoples wherever there is war and conflict.

RED WEDNESDAY Today, 22nd November

A day when we are asked to wear red as we remember and hold services to pray for the persecuted church.

Buildings including the RC church in Helston will be lit up in red. We remember too especially the "disappeared" and those in prison for their beliefs, and for their oppressors.

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