



ST. COLUMBA'S



Beach Clean

Sunday 27th Sep 2.00pm

La Haule Slip (just before you reach St Aubin's)

Bring gardening gloves and a bag for litter, meet on the slip and enjoy a cuppa afterwards!

Free on street parking or carpark

In St. Aubin's village

Let's see how much we can collect this year.

Season of Creation

The theme this year is

Living Water

Ecumenical Service 16th Sept
7-8pm

[Click here for more information](#)

Heatwaves and fires

Summer 2026 will be remembered for five heatwaves in the UK, record breaking temperatures, devastating fires and drought that is affecting farmers all over the world.

This is not a normal summer.

Carbon Footprint

Did you calculate your carbon footprint? Were you a hero or villain? (I was a bit of a villain due to flights off the island!) Hopefully our leaflet on energy saving will give you some ideas on how to reduce your carbon footprint. **Energy Saving Tips**

Upcoming Events

Regen Gathering

11-12th September at Le Tâcheron Farm, La Rue De Dielament, Trinity, JE3 5HX

<https://www.regen-gathering.com/>

An annual two-day festival that celebrates regenerative food systems, ecological farming, and community innovation. At the heart of La Tâcheron's kitchen is Lucie's Boulangerie using heritage grain flours grown and stone-milled at La Tâcheron.

<https://www.vintagefarm.co.uk/>

Fairtrade Fortnight

21st Sep - 4th Oct

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Fairtrade is the most recognised and trusted sustainability label working to make trade fairer for the people who grow our food.

At St Columba's we serve Fairtrade tea and coffee.



Good News

With powerful nations [rolling back climate protections](#) and temperatures soaring ever closer to [dangerous thresholds](#), it's hard not to feel worried about the state of the planet.

Here's a few good news stories!

According to the Portuguese Association for Renewable Energies (APREN), a staggering 80.7 per cent of the country's electricity generated in January 2026 came from renewable energy.

The much anticipated High Seas Treaty has come into force, marking a 'historic milestone' for global ocean conservation.

Jersey Electricity has partnered with Highlands College to launch the Green Skills Academy. They will fund 36 apprentices over 5 years to train to be low carbon heating technicians.

Seven countries have achieved a remarkable milestone, now generating 100% of their electricity from renewable sources. Albania, Bhutan, Nepal, Paraguay, Iceland, Ethiopia, and the DRC are leading the charge toward a cleaner, greener future.

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Second Hand September is an Oxfam initiative.

Dress for the world you want!

Did you know, each year, up to 40% of all clothing manufactured globally is never sold? In a world of overproduction and overconsumption, Second Hand September is all about challenging yourself to create more sustainable

shopping habits for a fairer future – without compromising on style.

Princess Anne is our sustainability champion, here she is wearing a suit she first wore in 1969! Fabulous!



Green Fashion Tips

Digital Clean Up

When we think of the environment there's one area that's often overlooked....digital pollution. The ICT sector (digital/tech) is estimated to contribute roughly 2-4 % of global CO₂/GHG emissions, similar in scale to aviation, and rising with data demand.

Data centres and networks together use a big chunk of electricity, data centres alone are estimated to consume the equivalent of hundreds of terawatt-hours annually; projections suggest this could double by 2027 if current growth continues, driven by cloud, AI, and streaming demand.

Bitcoin mining alone burns about 200 TWh a year, which is more than Argentina's total electricity consumption.

What can you do? Reduce the amount of data you have - Delete any apps you don't use, clean up your email box, review your photos and delete any duplicates. There is a leaflet on how to do this sent with this newsletter.

<https://www.digitalcleanupday.org/>

