

Please pray for:

- For all who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
 - For Those who live in *East Cliff and Grove Orchard*
 - Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan
 - Our new mission partners and their three children serving in North Africa
 - Bishops Nicholas, Graham and Edward
<http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/thought-for-the-month/latest>
 - Those who are ill or housebound (those known to you & an updated list will be provided at each service)
 - Julian Piper taking the assembly at the school on Friday
 - James Webster taking the assembly at Thorner's on Thursday
- ... & remember those who have died & their families & friends



CRIB SERVICE – HELP NEEDED!

Jean Thorn is thinking of a new direction for the crib service this year. The old one was good but it has now been going for many years (8?). This year she is proposing to run **The Star Trail** which is an interactive, labyrinth-style of worship and therefore needs some volunteers to make it work. It will be fun, and training will be provided for all those involved in their different roles so no previous experience is necessary. Please let Jean know if you are interested in helping out **as soon as possible**.

COLLECTS FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

- for use in the services or in private prayer

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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THIS WEEK

Mon	3 rd	5.00 pm	Parochial Church Council
Wed	5 th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (Order 1)
Thurs	6 th	12 noon	Chesil Court Lunch (NB at Chesil Court)
		7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri	7 th	10.00 am	Julian Prayer Group
Sat	8 th	10.00 am	Rectory Quiet Day: Womanhood

UPDATE: PARISH AWAY DAY

The postponed **Away Day**, to be facilitated by **Bishop Graham**, is on **Saturday 12th January 2013 at LATCH**. Please make a special note in your diaries and keep the date free for this very important day of reflection. Please encourage everyone (those who attend church and those who don't) to join in this opportunity to be open and honest about the Church and its place in the Village and Valley.

BIBLE QUIZZES

Thanks to all who contributed in any way to the success of the recent Bible Quizzes and to those who supported the children in their endeavours. The Junior Village Shield was won by Puncknowle with Burton Bradstock and Litton Cheney very close behind. Despite another very valiant effort, Burton Bradstock Primary School did not manage to claim the schools' cup from Thorner's once again this year. Congratulations to Seamus Fitzgerald, Ryan Tozer and Jasmine Parsons for training so hard and for their efforts on the day.

THE PARTY

Organisation of the Christingle Tea and Party on December 14th is now underway. Please let Pauline Woodford (☎898327) know if you are willing to contribute small or large cakes, sandwiches or savouries (but nothing containing any nuts, please).

REGULAR GIVING ENVELOPES 2013

If you normally give through the envelope scheme, please collect your pack of envelopes for 2013 from the box by the font. For further information about Gift Aid/giving through regular envelopes please see Irene Piper (☎898603) or for information about standing orders, please see Ian Ibbotson (☎898484).

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Thanks to all who contributed to the success of last week's event – either by donating gifts for the stalls or by attending in the atrocious weather. The Fayre raised a magnificent total of around £750 (c/f approx £500 in 2011) which will help towards the much-needed refurbishment of the back playground.

Next Sunday

9th December

Advent 2

9.30 am Family Service

... followed by coffee

11.00 am Holy Communion

Old Testament: Malachi 3: 1-4
New Testament: Philippians 1: 3-11
Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6

6.30 pm Evensong

Old Testament: Isaiah 40: 1-11
New Testament: Luke 1: 1-25

TRADCRAFT

The Traidcraft stall will be in Church **next Sunday**. Please support it and help the producers to earn a just reward.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE and NATIVITY

All are welcome to attend the Christingle Service and party on **Friday 14th December** at 3.30 pm and the Nativity which takes place in the Church on **Tuesday 18th December** at 1.30 pm and 6.00 pm.

TOTS AND PRAMS SERVICE

Please note that the service on **14th December** will start at the earlier time of **2.00 pm**

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND GIFT AID

In dedicating our offertory, we not only recognise those gifts donated through the offertory plate but also those given through standing orders and by any visitors to their home churches as we all dedicate ourselves in God's service. If you are a tax payer, please use one of the orange envelopes for your offering.

PASTORAL ASSISTANTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Pastoral Assistants are here and available for visiting. If you, or anyone you know, would like such a visit, please contact Ann Read (☎897445)
If there is someone that you would like to be included in our prayers for the sick, please contact Pauline Woodford (☎898327) or a Churchwarden.

FLOODLIGHTING:

If you would like to have St. Mary's floodlit for a baptism or wedding, or in memory of someone, please speak to the Churchwardens, Howard Bongers or Basil Dent.

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at:
<http://www.burtonbradstock.org.uk/pewnews.html>

*Items for next week/requests for email copy to **Julian Piper** by 9am **Thursday**, please*

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The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Burton Bradstock

December 2nd, 2012

Advent Sunday

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8.00 am Holy Communion

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33: 14-16
Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36

9.30 am Family Service

... followed by coffee

**11.00 am Morning Worship
for Advent Sunday**

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33: 14-16
Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36

6.30 pm Evensong

Old Testament: Joel 3: 9-end
New Testament: Revelation 14:13-15:4

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Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially to newcomers and visitors on holiday.

Please make yourselves known to us and let us know if there is anything we can do to help you enjoy your time in the Village and Valley. Information about the church is on the stand in the south aisle
- please browse and take/purchase items of interest.

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Thought for the Week:

Get ready! So that Christ's return will be a day of excitement and great joy.