

Please pray for:

- All who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
- Those who live in *Howarth Close and Lower Townsend*
- All the churches in our benefice – serving Christ in the Valley
- Our mission partners, Doug and Jacqui Marshall, Ethan and Chloe
- Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan*
- Bishops Nicholas, Graham and Edward <http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/thought-for-the-month/latest>
- Those taking the 'Open the Book' assemblies this week: Heather Goffee at Thorners on Thursday; Pauline, Daphne, Mike, Ann & Chrissie at Burton School on Friday.
- Those who are ill or housebound (those known to you & an updated list will be read at each service)



... & remember those who have died especially & their families & friends.

* We are asked to pray especially for the congregations of Twic East Diocese, many now displaced from their homes, and for Bishop Ezekiel as he leads them and for peace in Juba where there was more fighting this week.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD OF RINGERS

The West Dorset Branch of the Guild will be holding their monthly practice night at Burton Bradstock on Saturday 15th March between 7.00 pm and 9.00 pm.

TRAIDCRAFT

The Traidcraft stall will be in church **today**. Please support it and ensure that the producers enjoy their just reward.



COLLECTS FOR LENT 1

- for use in the services or in private prayer

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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THIS WEEK

Tues	11 th	9.00 am	Time for Prayer (in the Church)
		6.30 pm	Friends of the School meeting
Wed	12 th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (order 2)
		7.00 pm	Lent Study Group at Puncknowle Village Hall
Thurs	13 th	10.30 am	Chesil Court Coffee Morning
		7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri	14 th	12 noon	Lent Lunch at 21 Norburton (until 2.00pm)
		2.15 pm	Tots and Prams Service
Sat	15 th	10.00 am	Quiet Day at the Rectory (see separate leaflet)
		7.00 pm	West Dorset Branch Bell Ringing Practice

BRIDPORT FOOD BANK

Many thanks for all the items donated to the food bank recently. Those distributing food in Bridport and surrounding areas are very grateful. Please remember to record items on the form provided as you bring them. If anyone is able to transport the contents of the box to St Mary's, Bridport, on an occasional basis, please contact Liz (☎897451) or Heather (☎897780).

LENT STUDY GROUP

The **Lent Study Group** will commence **this week** on Wednesdays from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall. Refreshments will be provided and the evening will end with Compline. The York Lent materials will form the basis of the study. This week's study is entitled 'Believing and Doubting' and is to be led by Revd Ryder Rogers.

LENT LUNCHES IN AID OF THE CHURCH'S CHARITIES

The second of this year's frugal lunches to raise funds for Tearfund and the Pilsden Community is on **Friday** at the home of Mary and Ian Ibbotson, 21 Norburton. Please let them know if you are attending (☎898484). You can arrive between 12 and 1.30pm. There are no tickets, but please leave a donation afterwards.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Basil Dent and Howard Bongers are unable to stand as Churchwardens this year. Basil has served for 30 years and Howard for 13 and they have done an amazing job. They would both be happy to give advice on what the job might entail and will provide support and encouragement to their replacements.

The election will be held at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on May 7th at 7.00 pm in the Church. Churchwardens are expected to serve for one year.

Please could anyone who is interested in taking up this challenge talk to Mike Read, Revd Sue Linford or the PCC Secretary, Audrey Smith (☎897227).

Next Sunday

16th March

Lent 2

8.00 am Holy Communion

...led by Revd Jean Thorn

Old Testament: Genesis 12: 1-4a Gospel: John 3: 1-17

9.30 am Family Service

... led by James Webster and followed by coffee

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by Revd Sue Linford

Psalm: 74 Old Testament: Jeremiah 22: 1-9

New Testament: Matthew 8: 1-13

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DEANERY ART REFLECTIONS

The Bishop of Salisbury, Rt Revd Nicholas Holtam, will give an illustrated talk on Christ in **Art in Lent** at 7.00 pm on **Tuesday 18th March** at St Mary's Church, Bridport. On **7th April**, the Rev'd Nigel Done, Vicar of Ilminster, will use art, including his own, to lead us into Holy Week. The evening is entitled 'Seeing The Way': the reflections of a painter priest

FRIENDS OF DHCT

Leaflets about the **Friends of Dorset Historic Churches Trust** are available in the South Aisle. Please take one and consider becoming one of the friends if you are able.

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 and are able to do so, 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*

☎ 01308 898603

**The Parish Church
of
St Mary the Virgin
Burton Bradstock**

March 9th, 2014

Lent 1

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11.00 am Holy Communion

...led by Revd Jean Thorn & Revd Sue Linford

Old Testament: Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

Epistle: Romans 5: 12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by James Webster

Psalm: 119: 1-16 Old Testament: Jeremiah 18: 1-11

New Testament: Luke 18: 9-14

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Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially 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. Supporting material suitable for children for each Sunday's service is available, and please ask if you would like soft toys for use with young children/babies during the service.

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Thought for the Week:

"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4: 4)