

Please pray for:

- All who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
- Those who have lost loved ones in the Malaysian plane crash
- Those who live in *Middle Street and Mill Street*
- 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: Revd Peter and Tito Saunt at Thorners on Thursday; Pat Lewis-Badgett 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 Wonduruba Area Diocese and for Bishop Matthew as he leads them, Lomega Area Diocese and for Bishop Paul as he leads them & Kassala Area Diocese and for Bishop Abdu leading them. Please pray for an end to the fighting: 126 people were killed in Maker over the weekend of 1st March.

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).

COLLECTS FOR LENT 2

- for use in the services or in private prayer

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord..



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THIS WEEK

Tues	18 th	9.00 am	Time for Prayer (in the Church)
		7.00 pm	Art Reflections – Bishop Nicholas in Bridport
Wed	19 th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (order 1)
		7.00 pm	Lent Study Group at Puncknowle Village Hall
Thurs	20 th	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri	21 st	12 noon	Lent Lunch at 16 Hive Close (until 2.00pm)
Sat	22 nd	10.00 am	Friends of the School Jumble Sale at the United Church, East Street, Bridport

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

The Friends have moved their Jumble Sale this year to the United Church in Bridport and will be holding it next Saturday (22nd March) from 10.00 am to 12 noon. If you have items that could be sold, please drop them in to the School on Friday or ask Julian if they need to be collected. Helpers are still needed to serve tea and coffee at the Sale. If you could help, please let Julian (☎898603) or Heather (☎897750) know.

DRAFT DIOCESAN BUDGET

The Diocese has published its draft budget for 2015 for comment. There is a poster on the Church notice board and booklets in the south aisle. Further information is also at www.salisbury.anglican.org/parishes/finance/annual-reports-and-budgets

LENT STUDY GROUP

This week's study is entitled 'Jesus – our teacher' and is to be led by James Webster. Refreshments will be provided and the evening will end with Compline.

LENT LUNCHEAS IN AID OF THE CHURCH'S CHARITIES

Please join us on **Friday** at the home of Elaine Tame, **16 Hive Close**. If you are able to let her know if you are attending (☎897957), it would be helpful but not essential. Lunch will be available between 12 and 2.00 pm. 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

23rd March

Lent 3

11.00 am Holy Communion by extension

...led by James Webster

Old Testament: Exodus 17: 1-7

Epistle: Romans 5: 1-11 Gospel: John 4: 5-42

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by Yvonne Buckland

Psalm: 46 Old Testament: Amos 7: 10-end

New Testament: 2 Corinthians 1: 1-11

DATES FOR THE DIARY

SCHOOL EASTER SERVICE

The service will be held on **Friday 4th April** at 9.15 am. All are welcome to attend.

DUCK RACE

The Friends of the School Duck Race will be held on Easter Sunday this year (20th April)

DEANERY ART REFLECTIONS

On **7th April**, the Rev'd Nigel Done, Vicar of Ilminster, will use art, including his own, to lead us into Holy Week at 7.00 pm at St Mary's, Bridport. 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*

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The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Burton Bradstock

March 16th, 2014

Lent 2

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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

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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:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." (*John 3, 16*)