

## Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Ryder, Sue, Philip, Peter, Mike, James, & Yvonne
- All who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
- Those who live in *Barrowfield Close* and *Beach Road*
- All the churches in our Benefice – serving Christ in the Valley
- Our mission partners, Doug and Jacqui Marshall, Ethan and Chloe  
(please see the latest newsletter on the Missions board)
- Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan\*
- 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 read at each service)
- Those taking the Open the Book assemblies this week:  
James Webster: at Thorners on Thursday  
Pat, Ian, Mary and Elaine at Burton on Friday



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

\* We are asked to pray especially for the congregations of Juba Diocese and for Archbishop Daniel as he leads them and the Episcopal Church of South Sudan & Sudan, and for the newly inaugurated Diocese of Malek and for Bishop Elect Peter

## COLLECTS FOR ADVENT 2

### - for use in the services or in private prayer

**O Lord**, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us,  
and with great might succour us;  
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

### **Almighty God,**

purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as  
judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.

**Father in heaven**, who sent your Son to redeem the world  
and will send him again to be our judge:  
give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first  
coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him  
with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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## THIS WEEK:

Tues	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Time for Prayer in the Church
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (order 2)
Thurs	11 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	2.15 pm	Tots and Prams Service
		3.30 pm	Christingle Service and Children's Party
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Friends of the School Christmas Fair

## SING UP FOR MISSION

Thanks to all those who helped in any way to make the event such a success. The amount raised for our two charities was £255

## THE POSADA

The figures of Mary and Joseph will be making a shorter journey this year, so will not be starting today, Advent Sunday, but later. Those who have requested them, plus some other housebound people, will be notified in due course of the dates of their arrival. Further information is available from Heather Rogers.

## PEW NEWS EDITORS

Please check the back of the sheet for details of where to send information for Pew News and the deadline for submissions.

## THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Many thanks to all holders of home boxes for returning them and for the grand total this year of £550.34. If anyone is willing to have a box for their loose change it will collectively make a real difference to many vulnerable children. Recent media coverage of children who are carers for their parents highlights one of the many areas that The Children's Society works in. It also lobbied Parliament about the prevention of payday loans with its ensuing poverty trap and the implications for children growing up in this kind of culture.

This year's **Christingle** will be held on **Friday December 12th at 3.30 pm** in St Mary's Church. This is an invitation for everyone, whatever your age, so please put it in your diary and join us. Children will once again be taking part in this special candlelit service where we remember that Christ came to be the light of the world and give thanks for the work of The Children's Society. Afterwards there will be tea in the Village Hall and a party for the children.

**Carol Singing.** Please help to swell our numbers for some traditional carol singing around the village to raise funds for the Society. We meet, with a torch, at **6 pm** outside the Church on **Monday December 15th**.

**Next  
Sunday**

**14<sup>th</sup> Dec**

**Advent 3**

**11.00 am Holy Communion**

...led by Revd Sue Linford  
Old Testament: Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-end  
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24 Gospel: John 1: 6-8, 19-28

**6.30 pm Evensong**

... led by James Webster  
Psalm 68: 1-19 Old Testament: Malachi 3: 1-4 & 4  
New Testament: Philippians 4: 4-7

**DECEMBER DATES FOR THE DIARY**

24<sup>th</sup> Crib Service (5.30 pm)  
24<sup>th</sup> Midnight Holy Communion (11.30 pm)  
25<sup>th</sup> Services at 8.00 am (Holy Communion) and 11.00 am

**PAMPER HAMPERS**

Please help the Friends of the School to raise funds to improve resources and facilities for the children by donating toiletries for the 'pamper hampers' for the Christmas Fair to be held at the School **next Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> December**, from 10.00 am to 12 noon.

**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 Gift Aid envelopes for your offering. Those **using orange envelopes on a regular basis** might prefer to use a numbered envelope (no fixed weekly or total amount required) or a standing order. Please ask Irene Piper (☎898603) for more information.

**PASTORAL ASSISTANTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

Pastoral Assistants are available for visiting. If you or anyone you know would like such a visit, please contact Pauline Woodford (☎898327) or Christine Lawrence (☎898616). 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 9.00 am **Tuesday**, please  
☎ 01308 898603 e: [julian@jipiper.co.uk](mailto:julian@jipiper.co.uk)*

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

**Pew  
News**

December 7<sup>th</sup> 2014

Advent 2

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**8.00 am Holy Communion**

...led by Revd Philip Ringer  
Epistle: 2 Peter 3: 8-15a Gospel: Mark 11: 1-8

**9.30 am Family Service**

... led by Yvonne Buckland and followed by coffee

**6.30 pm Evensong**

... led by Mike Read  
Psalm 40 Old Testament: 1 Kings 22: 1-28  
New Testament: Romans 15: 4-13

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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:**

The Lord is not slow to fulfil his promise as some count slowness, but is patient towards you ... (2 Peter 3: 9)