

### Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Ryder, Sue, Philip, Peter, Mike, James, & Yvonne and our new incumbent preparing to move to join us.
- All who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
- Those who live in *Bindbarrow* and *Bredy Lane*
- 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)



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

\* We are asked to pray especially for the congregations of the newly inaugurated Diocese of Malek-Rup and for Bishop Elect, Marial, the newly inaugurated Area Diocese of Abyei and for Bishop Elect, Michael and for the newly inaugurated Diocese of Duk and for Bishop Elect, Daniel

### FOOD BANK

We have received a postcard from St Mary's, Bridport, thanking us for the food we have been supplying since January, for which they are very grateful.

### COLLECTS FOR ADVENT 3

- for use in the services or in private prayer

**O Lord Jesus Christ**, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you:

grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries  
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way  
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,  
that at your second coming to judge the world  
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;  
for you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**God** for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

**We give you thanks, O Lord**, for these heavenly gifts;  
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit  
that when your Christ comes again  
we may shine as lights before his face;  
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

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### THIS WEEK:

Mon	15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Carol Singing round the Village
Tues	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Time for Prayer in the Church
		1.30 pm	Funeral Service for the late Daphne Hewlett
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (order 1)
		11.00 am	Rehearsal for School Christmas Performance
		2.00 pm	School Christmas Performance
		6.00 pm	School Christmas Performance
Thurs	18 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	NO bell ringing practice (annual dinner)
Fri	19 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Quarter Peal rung by West Dorset ringers
		2.15 pm	Drop in for parents/carers of under 5s

### THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Thanks to all those who helped with the Christingle Service and party afterwards in the Village Hall – especially to Pauline Woodford for organising both.

**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**.

### MISSIONS SUPPORT

Members of the Missions Committee want to thank everyone for their support throughout 2014 for Tearfund and the Pilsdon Community.

The **Pilsdon Community 2015 Calendars** may be ordered either direct or via Ian Ibbotson (☎ 898484): £6 cheque payable to 'Pilsdon Community' or cash and they will be posted to you. The Calendar is a ring bound A5 desk calendar featuring views of Pilsdon. Pilsdon is a community that shares a common life of prayer, hospitality and work, providing an environment of acceptance and friendship where people can begin to rebuild their lives.

The PCC has approved suggestions for 2015 when we will be supporting **Farm Africa** and **The Sailors' Society**. More details will follow later (especially for those who like to knit!).

### SCHOOL NATIVITY PERFORMANCE

Please support the School by coming to see their interpretation of the Nativity which is to be performed in the Church on Wednesday at 2.00 pm and 6.00 pm. All are welcome.

### QUARTER PEAL

A quarter peal will be run on Friday morning by a team led by Harry Murley, chairman of the West Dorset Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers.

**Next  
Sunday**

**21<sup>st</sup> Dec**

**Advent 4**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

...led by Revd Ryder Rogers  
Epistle: Romans 16: 25-end Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38

**9.30 am Family Service**

... led by Revd Ryder Rogers and followed by coffee

**6.30 pm Carol Service**

... led by Revd Philip Ringer

**DECEMBER DATES FOR THE DIARY**

15<sup>th</sup> Carol Singing round the Village (6pm)  
17<sup>th</sup> School Christmas Performance (2pm and 6pm)  
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

**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 **Thursday**, please*

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

**Pew  
News**

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Advent 3

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**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

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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:**

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ... (1 Thessalonians 5:23)