

The West Purbeck Benefice Prayer

Holy God we thank you that you have called us to be your people across the West Purbeck Benefice.

We praise you for the beauty that surrounds us,
the people who make up our communities,
the visitors whom we welcome

and above all for the gift of faith you have given to us.

Help us through prayer and worship to grow closer to you,
through service and care to reflect your love,

and through mission to share your Good News with all around us.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



**Sunday 12th January 2025
Baptism of Christ**

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9am	Holy Communion	Chaldon
10am	Morning Praise	Affpuddle
10am	Junior Church	Bere Regis
10.30am	Holy Communion	Wool
11am	Family Service	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith

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MIDWEEK SERVICE - Wednesday 15th January

10.30am Holy Communion D'Urberville Centre, Wool

Sunday 19th January - Epiphany 2

9am	Holy Communion by Extension	Bere Regis
9am	Holy Communion	Wool
10.45am	Prayer and Praise online	Streamed
Zoom link:	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413 Meeting ID: 515 225 5413	
11am	Christingle	Winfrith Newburgh

PLEASE BEWARE EMAIL SCAMS!

We are aware that scam emails are circulating. Any genuine email from Revd Richard Bartlett will have his email address vicar@westpurbeck.org.uk and the West Purbeck Benefice Logo in the signature. Please don't click on any links in suspect emails.

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Collect for The Baptism of Christ

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
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. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer for The Baptism of Christ

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: Isa. 43.1-7; Acts 8.14-17; Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

Gospel: Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'



A date for your diaries

Our curate, Rev Lydia, will be ordained priest in Salisbury Cathedral on 28th June at 4.30pm. All are warmly invited! Travel arrangements are to be sorted out but lifts will certainly be available.

Ali Bernal is fundraising for CRISIS

Hi. I'm Ali and I'm taking part in the ICEBREAKER CHALLENGE to raise money for Crisis. I am swimming at Lulworth Cove every day in January. It is a big challenge with the low temperatures at this time of year and the sea is about 9°C. But homeless people, visible and hidden, must cope with this weather every day. Could you sponsor me? Your support will help fund Crisis' year-round services, ending people's homelessness for good. During my career in the NHS, I supported people who experienced poverty, homelessness and the ongoing effects on mental and physical health. Even £1 can make a difference. You can search on JustGiving - Ali Bernal for CRISIS, or use the link below.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/ali-bernal-1734796983188?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Lulworth Players Present Ben Crocker's *Beauty & The Beast*



Bar & Raffle
TICKETS
ADULTS £10
CHILDREN £5

Tickets Online
Winfrith Village Stores
Finleys Cafe, West Lulworth

Friday 31st January 7:30pm
Saturday 1st February 2:00pm & 7:30pm
West Lulworth Village Hall BH20 5SG

Tickets available now

Don't miss this chance to book your seat for the magical performance of *Beauty & the Beast* by the Lulworth Players. Rehearsals are going well and we are getting excited about welcoming an audience to witness a fantastic show.

Tickets are going fast so get yours online (scan the QR code), from cast and usual shops including Amber Hardware, Wool.

Community Lunch—FREE

in The D'Urberville Hall from 12 noon til 1pm

Soup 'n Pud

First Wednesday of the Month

All Welcome

Next one

Wednesday 5th February 2025

All donations welcome

We look forward to seeing you!



SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa. Also please pray for the Children's Society and our Clergy and Licenced Lay Ministers.

This Benefice: We pray for all those who are isolating or not able to join in with worship at this time. We pray for all those volunteering in their community with transport, prescriptions and shopping, also the Dorset Council, Town and Parish Councils and the services they provide, and local elections.

Pray for the residents of Manor Farm Road, North Street, Old Barn Road, Poole Road and Roke Road in Bere Regis; The Launches and Triangle in West Lulworth; School Lane, High Street, Pigeon Close in Winfrith and East Knighton; Holt Road, Bovington, Hyde Place, Hyde Road and Hyde Way in Wool.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf; Lesley Coles.

We are pleased to pray for all those whom we are asked to pray for. In order to keep our prayer intentions up to date we will include names for one month. At the end of each month, if you would like either yourself or the person whom you have asked us to pray for to remain on the prayer list for a further month, please inform one of the clergy or the Benefice Office. If you are asking for prayer for someone else please remember to ask their permission for us to include them in The Link. Thank you for being a part of this important ministry of prayer.

We pray for the families and friends of those who have died in recent

days: David Hyde; Gillian Richards; John Barker; Revd Stephen Coles
Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please pray for the couples who will be married in West Purbeck Benefice during 2025, and the Marriage Preparation course they will be attending on Sunday 12 January.

"I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst."

-- Jesus, John 6:35

Cafe Church The Bread of Life

Do you understand how your mobile phone works? I have no idea but I rely on it to communicate with those I love.

Jesus tells us to believe and trust in him and to feed on him by listening to and talking with Him and he promises he will live in us as we live in him. We can experience the joys of eternal life with Jesus, here and now on earth by getting even closer to him and this will bring us peace and joy as we experience his love.

Revd Jenny

BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 12 February). **All welcome!** Please let Mary know if you are coming on 01929 556086

Thursday Tea and Toast at St John the Baptist, Bere Regis 8am until 11am Thursdays.

All ages are welcome; there will be some toddler-age toys available. Dogs and their owners are very welcome (including doggie biscuits!). For more information, please contact Pat Wharf at patswiftwharf@outlook.com or on 01929 472246.

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Come and join us at our

Christingle Service

on Sunday 19th January 2025 at 11 am
St. Christopher's Church, Winfrith Newburgh

A very family friendly service, we look forward to seeing you there!

ADVANCE NOTICE

On Sunday 26th January the congregation of Holy Rood Wool will be joining with Wool Methodist Church for the Covenant Service,

I am at Wool Methodist Church.

This will replace the 10.30am service at Holy Rood on 26th January.

ALL WELCOME

The Covenant Service is a central part of Methodists' devotion and discipleship. It is often celebrated in January and involves the renewal of the Christian believer's covenant with God.



The service was adapted by John Wesley, the founder of Methodism.

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