

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.**

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Usual hours The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-12 and 12.30-4 and Friday 9-1.30.
For enquiries outside these times contact the Vicar.

PLEASE BEWARE EMAIL SCAMS!!!!

We are aware that scam emails are STILL 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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9am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
9am	BCP Holy Communion	Wool
10.45am	Harvest Prayer and Praise:	Streamed
Zoom link:	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413 Meeting ID: 515 225 5413	
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
11am	Harvest Songs of Praise	Winfrith

Next Sunday 27th September - The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Affpuddle
9am	Harvest of the Sea Festival	Lulworth Cove
10.30am	Holy Communion	Wool
11am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith

NEXT MIDWEEK SERVICE - Wednesday 7th October

10.30am	Holy Communion	d'Urberville Centre, Wool
12 noon	and Community lunch	

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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**

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Post Communion prayer for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings: Jonah 3.10-4.11; Phil.1.21-30; Matt. 20.1-16

Gospel: Matt. 20.1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

"About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went.

"He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?'

"'Because no one has hired us,' they answered.

"He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.'

"When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.'

"The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'

"But he answered one of them, 'I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?'

"So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Zoom Link for 8.30am Online Morning Prayer

Online morning prayer is on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. All are very welcome. Please use the Zoom link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73825545915?pwd=u3LNvbYNeIxEIFGKUxpMAqGLlpVpvt.1>

Meeting ID: 738 2554 5915

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TO WIN THE DAY
Powerful folk-drama by Dorset-based group
Time and Tide, following the extraordinary lives of
the wives, mothers & families of the Tolpuddle
Martyrs through local folk music of the time



Saturday 26th September
6.30pm for 7pm start - 8.30pm
With Raffle & Light Refreshments At Interval

For the last showing of the year, join us at:
St John the Baptist Church, Bere Regis, BH20 7HQ
For a great evening of entertainment & inspiration
Entry is free, so all can attend
But all donations given will support
the upkeep & work of the church



Table Top Sale

Saturday October 17th

11.00-12.30pm

The D'Urberville Hall Wool



£5 per table

Booked in advance

Toni: tmac4455@aol.com by Oct 13th

Bacon Butties from 11am



You're always welcome
To our weekly drop-in, Thursdays 8 - 11am



'TEA & TOAST'



**Children's Toy area
+ Doggy biscuits for
Canine companions!**



**Church of Saint John the Baptist
Bere Regis, B20 7HQ**



**Free of charge
Any donations welcome**





Awaken • Empower • Flourish

Capacitar sessions
10:30 am & 2:00 pm,
Tuesday 22nd September
at East Burton Village Hall.

*Come, relax and
enhance your immune system.*



If you haven't let me know you are coming
please email me at jennyalidina@irishollow.co.uk

Holy Rood Church Wool needs you...

Please would you consider helping to clean the Holy Rood Church, this is done weekly at a time to suit you and takes about an hour, depending on how fussy you like to be! I will talk you through what to do, ideally someone will be with you; all equipment and cleaning materials provided and you can do at any time during the week prior to your allocated weekend... If you are able please help..... the more on the list the fewer times in the year your name will come up. Please contact Sue 07714389330 or email sue@whomwah.com

Thank you

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for The Anglican Church of Australia. Also please pray for the Children's Society and our Clergy and Licensed Lay Ministers.

This Benefice: We pray for all those who are 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 Foodbanks in Wareham and Bere Regis. Pray for the residents of West Street and White Lovington in Bere Regis; School Lane and Shepherd's Way in West Lulworth; East Knighton Lane in Winfrith and East Knighton; Wain Road in Bovington, The Briars, The Cross, The Poppies and The Square in Wool.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf, Daisy Martin; Pat House; Barry Quinn; Maureen Long; John Scott; Mary Richter; Margaret Coles; Fr. Tony Ball; Jane Heywood; Zena Warne; Sue and Geoff Allen; Elizabeth Pearce; Shannon; Shelley

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

Christopher Jones; Colin Hutchins, Joshua Sealy
Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please pray for the family and friends of

Christopher Charles Jones

*who was buried at Holy Trinity, West Lulworth on 17th September,
and also of*

Colin Hutchins

whose ashes will be interred at Holy Rood, Wool on 22nd September.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 14th October). **All welcome!**

**Please let Mary know if you
are coming
on 01929 556086.**

Harvest Festival

**6
SEP**

11AM SERVICE +
HARVEST LUNCH
BRIANTSPUDDLE
VILLAGE HALL,
DT2 7HT

WE LOOK FORWARD
TO WELCOMING
YOU

**13
SEP**

10.30AM HARVEST
COMMUNION
HOLY ROOD
CHURCH, WOOL
BH20 6DD

6PM SERVICE
ST NICHOLAS'
CHALDON HERRING
DT2 8DN

**20
SEP**

10.45AM
ONLINE HARVEST
(MESSAGE FOR
ZOOM LOG IN)

11AM HARVEST
SONGS OF PRAISE
ST CHRISTOPHER'S
WINFRITH, DT2 8JR

**27
SEP**

9AM HARVEST-OF-
THE-SEA
FISHERMEN'S
YARD, LULWORTH
COVE, B20 5RQ

ALL HARVEST
GIFTS WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED TO
THOSE WHO NEED IT

**4
OCT**

11AM ANIMAL
BLESSING SERVICE
ST LAURENCE'S
AFFPUDDLE
DT2 7HH

6PM HARVEST
EVENSONG
ST JOHN THE
BAPTIST, BERE
REGIS, BH20 7HQ

**11
OCT**

11AM FAMILY
SERVICE + LUNCH,
ST JOHN THE
BAPTIST, BERE
REGIS, BH20 7HQ



**25
OCT**

2-4PM MESSY CHURCH + SUPPER,
THE MEMORIAL HALL, BOVINGTON,
BH20 6JQ

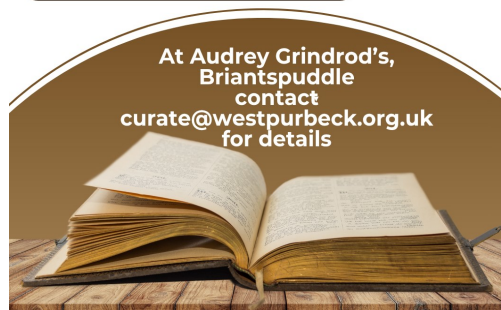
Join Us for

ROMANS BIBLE STUDY

1 OCT, 8 OCT,
22 OCT, 5 NOV,
19 NOV, 3 DEC, 10 DEC

2-4
PM

At Audrey Grindrod's,
Briantspuddle
contact
curate@westpurbeck.org.uk
for details



**BERE REGIS
Village Hall**
presents
**THE RETURN OF
The
Village
Quiz**

Wed.
21st Oct.
7.30pm

Upper
Village
Hall

Teams of up to 5
people.
£10 a team.
Bring your own
drinks & snacks.
Questions set by
Susan Stone.
There will also be
a RAFFLE.

All profits to the
Village Hall
Maintenance Fund.
To book in your
team, email Alison,
com
(All teams must
book.)

**Bovington
Together**

**Messy
CHURCH**

SUNDAY 25TH OCT
TIME: 2-4PM
EVERYONE IS
WELCOME

**Harvest
Festival**

FREE FAMILY-FRIENDLY CRAFTS,
ACTIVITIES & STORY, FINISHING
WITH FREE SHARED MEAL OF
'COMMUNITY SOUP' & BREAD

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
WE'LL BE GATHERING VEG GROWN IN THE
COMMUNITY TO MAKE THE SOUP, SO FOR
THOSE WHO CAN - PLEASE GET GARDENING!

VENUE: MEMORIAL HALL, KING GEORGE V ROAD
BOVINGTON, BH20 6JQ **RSVPS HELP CATERING!**
EMAIL: MISSIONER@WESTPURBECK.ORG.UK

LIKE + FOLLOW 'BOVINGTON TOGETHER' FOR MORE INFO

Poppy Cascade 2026

Guerrilla Gardeners have now taken the previous years cascade out of storage and we are now are hoping to do another display this year as all appears to be in good order!

The Risk Assessment has now been completed, those involved have now been contacted and everybody is on board to give it another go.

We are now at the stage in requesting help to check poppies, re attach poppies where needed and attach more poppies from the pile we had from last year and if need be, make more... at this stage we don't think more is needed but do watch out on **facebook** and on posters around the village.

So please come along if you can (equipment provided but if you have your own scissors or needles then bring along) you don't need to be able to sew, help with clearing and making refreshments could be your task?!

September dates are as follows, all sessions are:

10 til 12noon Holy Rood Church, Wool

Tuesday 8th September

Tuesday 15th September

Friday 18th September

Thursday 24th September

Tuesday 29th September



Refreshments will be provided!

Contact Sue Burroughs or any of the GGs for details, join the Guerrilla Gardeners Facebook Page or look out in Wool Community plus information in the LINK

Tel : 0714389330 Email: sue@whomwah.com





DUCK RACE



QUACKING FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



£1
Per Duck

SEPTEMBER 19 | 5PM
At St Laurence Church,
Affpuddle

Join us for an evening of excitement as hundreds of ducks race down the river.
Ducks can be purchased at Briantspuddle village shop, village hall or at the church.

TWO EXCITING DUCK RACES
LICENSED BAR
DELICIOUS BBQ | FAMILY FUN
ST LAURENCE CHURCH,
AFFPUDDLE





ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH,
WINFRITH

Harvest FESTIVAL

SEP 20 11AM

DONATIONS OF DRIED FOODS AND
TINNED GOODS WILL BE DONATED
TO THE FOOD BANK.

All welcome



RIDE+STRIDE 12TH SEPTEMBER...



Many thanks to all the generous people who sponsored me on Saturday. I decided to visit some churches in Weymouth and Portland on foot (with a little cheating by bus). I took a bus from Weymouth up to Easton and visited the Methodist and All Saints churches there. The Methodist church has an amazing Portland stone pulpit and is worth a visit. I then walked out to a decommissioned historic non-conformist church which was not part of the scheme, but an interesting place to visit and then down the steep hill to St John the Baptist in Fortuneswell. They were having a coffee morning with lots of information about the life of John the Baptist, so I stopped and had coffee and home-made biscuits and cake. From there I descended to Chiswell and this is where I cheated. The causeway between Ferry Bridge and Portland takes me nearly an hour to walk and I couldn't spare the time, so I got the bus across. From Ferrybridge I walked up footpaths and quiet roads to All Saints in Wyke, a large, vibrant old church offering cups of tea and a chat. With the help of directions and map reading (I refused to use Google maps to help), I walked across to St Paul's in Weymouth, off the Chickerell road. The walk took me across fields with a wonderful view of the bay and harbour. St Paul's is High Anglican with beautiful painted stations of the cross along the walls and I found it a very prayerful space. Finally, I made my way back into town to Holy Trinity by the town bridge. There was a big yellow Ride and Stride sign outside, but the doors were locked. I was 3.45pm and I was of tea!

Kim Moss



way back into town the town bridge. yellow Ride and Stride sign outside, but the doors were disappointed, it was ready for another cup

Kim also joined in the Pedal-a-thon at Holy Rood on Sunday!

AND HOLY ROOD PEDAL-A-THON 13TH SEPTEMBER



Holy Rood Pedal-a-thon

19 stalwarts 'cycled' twice round the benefice churches (58.9 miles) on Sunday afternoon 13/9/26.

We raised £300+ to share between Wareham Foodbank (part of our harvest), Holy Rood and DHCT.

Many adventures - orangutans in road near Monkey World, deer in the forest, great 'freewheeling' down Durdledoor hill but those climbs!!!! Then cakes and cream teas. Great fun. THANK YOU ALL.