

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 27th April 2025
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9am	BCP Holy Communion	Affpuddle
10.30am	Holy Communion & APCM	Wool
11am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith

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Usual hours The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-12 and 12.30-4 and Friday 9-1.30.
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Next Sunday 4th May - 3rd Sunday of Easter

9am	Holy Communion by extension	Wool
9am	BCP Holy Communion	East Lulworth
10.30 for 10.45	Café Church	Winfrith Village Hall
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
6pm	Evensong	Bere Regis

NEXT MIDWEEK SERVICE

10.30AM	Holy Communion and VE Day Community Lunch	d'Urberville Centre, Wool
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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 Second Sunday of Easter

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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 Second Sunday of Easter

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Readings: Acts 5.27-32; Rev. 1.4-8; John 20.19-end

Gospel: John 20.19-end

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*God of love,
turn our hearts to your ways;
and give us peace.*

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People gather for an alfresco Easter Sunday church service at Lulworth Cove, in Dorset Credit: ZacharyCulpin//BNPS



The early morning sun shone on the Easter Communion service at the Beach, Lulworth Cove. The top picture appeared in the Daily Telegraph.

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At the Scout Hut

Saturday
26th April

Eyes down
7.30 pm



BINGO

Tea and Coffee available

In aid of St John the Baptist Church



Celebrate VE Day a day early
Wednesday 7th May in the D'Urberville Hall

Programme

10.30am: Communion Service
11.15am: Singalong and Slide Show
12.00noon - 12.30pm 'Soup and Pud'

Come to any or all three parts of the programme
Everyone Welcome—The More the Merrier!!!!
Please bring your flag, wear your Union Jack Hat or not!

FREE although donations would be appreciated.



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BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 14th May).

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.

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.

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean. Also please pray for the Church Housing Trust, our community outreach, Churches Together.

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 Bere Regis Surgery, the Wellbridge Surgery and all NHS staff. Also farms across all parts of the Benefice.

Pray for the residents of Turberville Court, Turberville Road, The Warren in Bere Regis; Shirley Close and Sunnyside in West Lulworth; East Knighton Lane in Winfrith and East Knighton; Lampton Close, Lark Rise, Lawrence View and Linclieth Road in Wool.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf; Mark; Chris Rick; Esther Farr; Eileen Rolls; ; Catherine; Joe; Christine Burroughs; Louisa Botterill; Christine and Brenda; Revd. Jenny Alidina; Wendy Morrison; Hillie Montgomery

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: Anthea Edwards; Jean Caundle; John Mitchell; Ron Kellock
Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please pray for the family and friends of

Graham and Pamela Burt whose ashes will be interred at Bere Regis Cemetery on Friday 2nd May

Online Prayer

Morning Prayer is prayed at 8.30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays by a small group of parishioners on Zoom. Would you like to make this a part of your day? All are very welcome. Here is the Zoom link for the coming week:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76231768732?pwd=DxtNWQNnlhj3XL4LLTg0DkQxPUe9bj.1>

Meeting ID: 762 3176 8732

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We, the church communities of the West Purbeck Benefice extend our love, condolences and prayers to our Catholic friends on the death of Pope Francis. His legacy of compassion, humility, and unwavering faith will continue to inspire the world. He was a holy and pastoral leader, a true disciple of Jesus Christ. His dedication to justice and his humble leadership touched millions of people, well beyond the Catholic church. We thank God for his life and ministry. May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

A PRAYER FOR
POPE FRANCIS


Father in heaven, we praise your name
for all who have finished
this life loving and trusting you,
for the example of their lives,
the life and grace you gave them
and the peace in which they rest.
We praise you today for your servant Francis
and for all that you did through him.
Meet us in our sadness
and fill our hearts with praise and thanksgiving,
for the sake of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.



EASTER
FLOWERS
AT HOLY
ROOD CHURCH



The West Purbeck Benefice



Diocese
of Salisbury
Making
Jesus Known

The West Purbeck Benefice
comprising the parishes of Wool & East Stoke,
Bere Regis, Affpuddle, The Lulworths, Winfrith & Chaldon

Invite you to the Licensing of

The Reverend Lisselle Clarke-Moisley
as Benefice Missioner

by the Bishop of Sherborne and the Archdeacon of Sherborne

on Saturday 7th June 2025 at 5:00pm

in the Church of the Holy Rood, Wool BH20 6DD

Refreshments will be provided after the service in Wool CE Primary School