

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 6th September 2026
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9am	Holy Communion	Wool
9am	BCP Holy Communion	East Lulworth
10.30 for 10.45am	Café Church	Winfrith Village Hall
11am	Harvest service & lunch	Briantspuddle Village Hall
6pm	Evensong	Bere Regis

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MIDWEEK SERVICE - Wednesday 9th September

10.30am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
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Next Sunday 13th September - The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10am	Morning Praise	Affpuddle
10.30am	Holy Communion - Harvest	Wool
10.30am	Crafts	Bere Regis
11am	Family Service	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith
6pm	Harvest	Chaldon

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 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
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 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings: Ezek. 33.7-11; Rom. 13.8-end; Matt. 18.15-20

Gospel: Matt. 18.15-20

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

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/72684260579?pwd=D4HwQTtaBy8AOmGiSxIYF5oBQa5LR7.1>

Meeting ID: 726 8426 0579

Please pray for

Tilly Ferguson and Adam Birch

who will be married on Saturday, 5th September at St John the Baptist, Bere Regis, also

Natalie Hennessy and Charlie Robinson

*who will be married on Saturday 12th September at St Andrew's, East Lulworth
and their family and friends*

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Ride + Stride 2026 will take place on Saturday 12th September.

Please save the date.

Dorset Historic Churches Trust are once again inviting YOU to raise money for your local church by becoming a cyclist or to walk to a number of local/Deanery churches (or even further afield) 50% of the money you raise is returned to your church. Once again, we hope that some of you will be keen to take part again this year. Last year 2025, over £100,000 was raised and very close to an all-time record of £112,500 back in 2021.

Money was raised from hundreds of sponsors with 50% being returned to nominated churches. Here at Holy Rood £1,000 was raised with half coming back to the church. One key point is that Gift Aid is recovered, so please if you are a tax payer then please tick the Gift Aid box when you come to sponsor our Riders and Striders.

For more information on the above contact:

Jenny Hunt 01929 462570 - E Mail: theskypilot2@gmail.com

or www.dhct.org.uk



Photo taken at the Ride+Stride launch earlier in June

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Join our team for a sponsored

Pedal-a-thon

The challenge: Keep the bike going for 4 hours



Raise money for
Wareham Food Bank
and
Dorset Historic Churches Trust

It's a fun team challenge - good for a laugh
Ride a stationary exercise bike for as long as you can
- 2 mins or even half an hour
- just keep the bike going
Open to everyone including children

Sunday September 13th. 12 noon to 4pm
Holy Rood Church, Church Lane

Cafe available: Come, support and have a cuppa/tea
Bring a picnic - make a sunny afternoon of it!

How it works

Sign up to the team - forms from Toni [tmac4455@aol.com]
Organise your sponsorship money and pay our treasurer by 27/9.

Organised by friends of Holy Rood Church



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SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria. Also please pray for Five Talents and for our safeguarding officers and their work.

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 Stanbarrow Close and Tower Hill in Bere Regis; Church Road and Farm Lane in West Lulworth; Winbrook Fold and The Orchard in Winfrith and East Knighton; Alamein Road in Bovington, Water Meadow Lane in East Burton, Wellbridge Meadow in Wool, West Holme in East Stoke.

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 Patricia Ruth Burt; Margaret Ann Meaden; Jo Linter; Christopher Jones; Colin Hutchins

Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Archbishop Sarah's statement on the devastating floods in Nepal and Tibet

I am praying for all those affected by the devastating flash floods in Nepal and Tibet. I pray for those who are grieving, and for those who are still waiting for news of their missing loved ones. I pray for the emergency workers in the region, operating in immensely difficult conditions to rescue people and bring relief. I pray too for those who are injured, and for the doctors and nurses working tirelessly to bring healing and rebuild lives.

Into the hands of our loving God, and in the name of Jesus Christ, I place all those who watch, wait and weep.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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Stand for JESUS

Next Cafe Church is this Sunday, 6th September when we think about taking a stand for Jesus. What helped the disciples in Acts?
We look forward to welcoming you and thinking about this challenge.
Winfrith Village Hall 10.30 for 10.45am

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

BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 9th September). **All welcome! Please let Mary know if you are coming on 01929 556086.**



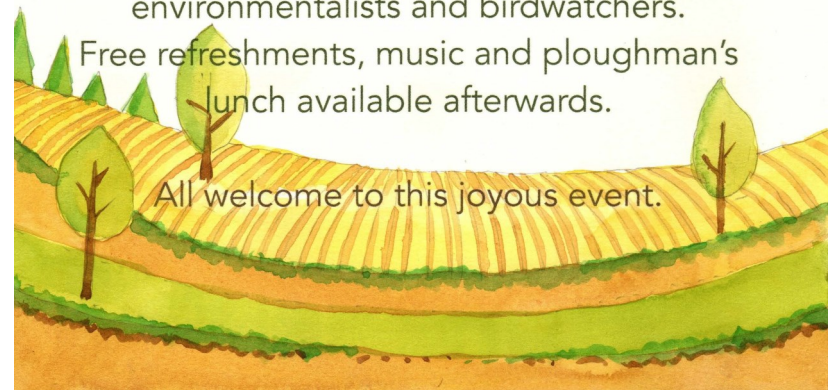
Harvest Festival Service

Briantspuddle Village Hall

Sunday 6th September
11.00am

Come and celebrate another harvest year with presentations from local farmers, environmentalists and birdwatchers.

Free refreshments, music and ploughman's lunch available afterwards.



All welcome to this joyous event.

HOLY ROOD CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE



The next Maintenance Session at Holy Rood churchyard is on Saturday 5th September from 09:30 until the kettle boils. Lots of fun as we get stuff done! Tools provided or bring your own.



YOUTH CAMP

As a benefice, in the middle of August we hosted a Youth Camp in Holy Trinity West Lulworth! Half the young people were local and half joined us from St. Paul's Church in South London. We had a marvellous time camping in the church, playing on the beach, and acting out Bible dramas.

Two children, Tom and Rhona, were baptised in Lulworth Cove during camp, our theme was all about being part of God's family through baptism. I'm very grateful to everyone who helped out with camp, either volunteering with the kids, cooking our dinners, or all your generous donations of cakes and snacks. Thanks for being part of God's family in this place! -*Rev. Lydia*



Bishop Karen presided and preached at the annual Outdoor Service in God's Pocket, Chaldon Herring near Dorchester on Sunday 30th Aug. The sung Eucharist service was attended by 82 members of the 7 churches in the West Purbeck Benefice, who were

prepared for rain but fortunately the one shower of the day fell a few minutes before the service started. God's Pocket is an area of grass in the middle of the village which is popular with children playing football and is used for village events. The origin of the name is not known. The theme of the service was Celebrating Creation in Christ and the Bishop addressed the clear and present threats to God's creation brought about by climate change. Towards the end of the service, the Bishop presented the Revd Jenny Alidina with an arrangement of flowers and a large card in recognition of her 7 years as a priest in the Benefice. Revd Jenny, who is stepping back from some of her duties, was also given her Licence to Officiate in the Diocese.

From Rev Jenny: "Thank you so much for the magnificent bouquet of flowers and the beautiful card with all your heartfelt messages. I truly appreciate them."



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

We're sorry, the Harvest Quiz which was to have been held on 12th September at the D'Urberville Centre has had to be cancelled.

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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



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



Awaken • Empower • Flourish

Capacitar sessions begin
10:30 am next Tuesday
8th September
at East Burton Village Hall.

*Come, relax and
celebrate fruitfulness.*



If you haven't let me know you are coming
please email me at jennyalidina@irishollow.co.uk
or 07836 226049.

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