Please pray for:

 Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan; see: http://twitter.com/#!/sudanlink or the Neema Crafts Facebook page



- Our CMS Partners, Andy & Susie Hart, Ben & Katie Ray and their families
- Bishop Nicholas: http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/news/new-bishop-calls-for-celebration-of-diversity
- Those who live in *Shadrack* and *Shipton Lane*
- Young people: especially Lucy and Jess who have started university and Jake who has started his new job.
- Those who are ill or housebound (those known to you & an updated list will be provided at each service)
- \ldots and remember those who have died, especially Peggy Thompson, and their families and friends

MEMORIAL SERVICE

There will be a Commemoration Service at 3.00pm today. Those wishing to have prayers said for someone who has died are welcome to add that name to the list of those in the Valley who have died over the past year by contacting Revd Bob Thorn

URGENT: BRIDE VALLEY NEWS CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

A reminder that this is the last chance to request an entry onto the Bride Valley News **December greetings page**. See the October BVN p4 for further information. **Susan Paul needs details of entries by 31st October (tomorrow) at the latest.**

COLLECTS FOR 4th BEFORE ADVENT - for use in the services or in private prayer

Almighty and eternal God,

you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; 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.

God of glory,

touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord of heaven,

in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Archbishops' Council of the Church of England 2000-2004*



I HIS WEEK			
Tues	1 st	3.00 pm	Home Group @ 16 Northover Close
Wed	2 nd	8.30 am	Prayer meeting and breakfast
		9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (order 1)
Thurs	3 rd	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Fri	4 th	10-12 am	Julian Prayer Group
Sat	5 th	9.00 am	Working party in the churchyard
		9.30 am	Quiet Day at the Rectory

FAITH AND PRAISE ON THE WEB

As mentioned by Gillian Robinson last Sunday, there is a wealth of resources and information (much of it free) available from the **Bible Society website**: http://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources22/ They also provide a weekly news email with information about important Christian developments and resources.

THE POSADA

The **Posada** (figures of Mary and Joseph) will be making their journey again this year, starting on Advent Sunday (27th Nov), spending each night in a different home and arriving at the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. Please write your name, phone number and any dates which are **NOT** convenient on the list by the door as soon as possible.

CLEARING THE COMPOST HEAP!

Able-bodied folk with wheelbarrows are required to help clear the mound of compost at the back of the churchyard created from the grass clippings over a long period. A trailer has been booked for **9.00 am next Saturday** so please keep the date free if you are able to help. Bring bags/sacks if you want to help yourself to some of the well-rotted compost!

QUIET DAYS AT THE RECTORY

Please see the programme on p30 and the booking form on p37 in the October Bride Valley News for further information. The next Quiet Day is on Saturday, **November 5**th, and is entitled '*The Old Testament – who, what, when, where & why?*'. Advanced booking is essential – please contact Revd Jean Thorn for more information.

BIBLE SOCIETY

It was good to welcome Mrs Gillian Robinson, a Bible Society speaker, to the morning **Bible Sunday** services and to hear her interesting talk based on the Nehemiah reading.

On behalf of the Bible Society, warmest thanks to all who have contributed financially to its work in the past year as box holders (producing £329.03) and by donating in the Bible Sunday retiring collection plate and during the Exhibition. A big thank you, too, to all who have unstintingly given their time in arranging and manning the Exhibition.

Next Sunday	8.00 am Holy Communion Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-end Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13
November 6 th	9.30 am Family Service followed by coffee
	11.00 am Songs of Praise Old Testament: Amos 5: 18-24 New Testament: Matthew 25: 1-13
3 rd before Advent	12.30 pm United Valley Lunch in the Village Hall
	6.30 pm Evening Prayer Old Testament: Judges 7: 2-22 New Testament: John 15: 9-17

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

• Bible Quizzes

The event starts at **2.30 pm** on **Sunday 27th November** (Advent Sunday) at LATCH (Litton Cheney). There will be refreshments during the afternoon and we conclude with the presentation of the cup and shields. At the moment, participants include the two school teams and four senior teams (Burton Bradstock, Puncknowle & West Bexington United, Eastenders and Riders & Striders') along with just two junior teams (Litton Cheney and Burton Bradstock)

• Remembrance Sunday (13th November)

Please note that the Service of Remembrance will commence at 10.45 am.

`LET'S GROW' VOUCHERS

Please remember to put any remaining 'Let's Grow' vouchers for our local school in the box by the font as soon as possible.



PASTORAL ASSISTANTS:

Pastoral Assistants are here and available for visiting. If you, or anyone you know, would like such a visit, please contact Ann Read (01308 897445)

FLOODLIGHTING:

If you would like to have St. Mary's floodlit for a baptism or wedding, or in memory of someone, please speak to 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 9am Thursday, please 1308 898603
Impers@jipiper.co.uk
text: 07885457938 The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin

Burton Bradstock

October 30th, 2011

4th before Advent

8.00 am Holy Communion

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Epistle: 1 John 3: 1-3 Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

11.00 am United Valley Service at SHIPTON GORGE

3.00 pm Valley Memorial Service

(see information inside)

Welcome

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We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially to 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.

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Thoughts for the Week:

(i) With God's light and truth to guide us, we shall be brought safely through to the end of time.

(ii) Lives that have shone with God's love on earth are filled with joy as they see their Lord face to face