

Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Stephen, Sue, Mike, James, & Yvonne and for Ryder & Edward, praying especially at this time for Stephen, Frances, Evie and the wider family
 - All the churches in our Benefice – serving Christ in the Valley
 - Those who live in *East Cliff and Grove Orchard*
 - Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan
 - Our mission partners, Doug and Jacqui Marshall, Ethan and Chloe
 - Bishops Nicholas, Edward & Karen <http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/thought-for-the-month/latest>
 - Those caught up in the aftermath of terrorist attacks and wars
 - The refugee crisis: for those risking their lives to flee conflicts across the world and for those endeavouring to provide for them in other countries including the UK
 - Those taking the Open the Book Assemblies in our schools this week:
Revd Ryder and Heather Rogers at Thorner's on Thursday
Pauline and Mary at Burton on Friday
- Those who are ill or housebound (those known to you & an updated list will be read at each service)
- ... & remember those who have died, & their families & friends



FAMILY WORSHIP IN THE VALLEY

This week's family service takes place at Puncknowle at 11.00 am (all-age Holy Communion).. Next Sunday's family worship, inc. baptism will be here at **10.30 am**

CHURCH FINANCES

Receipts for September: £1,713 and October: £7,607 (inc Gift Aid of £4,647)

Payments for September: £3,976 and October: £4,660

Average monthly receipts (Jan-Oct 2016): £4,597

Average monthly payments (Jan-Oct 2016): £5,199

COLLECTS FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

- for use in the service or for private prayer

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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THIS WEEK:

Tues 29th 9.00 am Time for Prayer in the Church
Thurs 1st 10.00 am Holy Communion with Revd Sue Linford
7.00 pm Hand Bell Ringing Practice

COFFEE STOP

Thanks to all those who came and supported the School at last week's coffee stop in the Village Hall. £97.70 was raised, which is an indication of the high level of support, and there were countless comments praising the children for their helpful approach, confidence and politeness.

The next coffee stop is on **14th December** and will be run by the Church – further details to follow soon.

CAROLS AT CHRISTMAS

The annual Carol Service takes place on **Sunday 18th December** at 6.30 pm and will be a celebration with familiar carols and readings by members of the community along with contributions from a small choir and soloist. All are welcome!

Carol singing around the Village in aid of the Children's Society takes place on **Monday 19th December** starting at 6.00 pm from the Church.

SEVEN LESSONS AND CAROLS

The School's nativity celebration, entitled 'Seven Lessons and Carols' will be performed on Tuesday 13th December in the Church at 1.30 pm and 6.00 pm. All are welcome to attend what is always a very lively and thoughtful occasion. Please book the date in your diary and join the School for the celebration.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Our candlelit Christingle service will take place on Friday 9th December at 3.30 pm in the Church. Children from the School will be taking part in various ways and there is always great excitement amongst them as they look forward to it. We celebrate that Christ has come to be the *Light of the World* in this atmospheric service which is to be led by Revd Sue Linford. It is also a way of strengthening links between the Church and School and it is lovely to see church members join us for this occasion. Following the service there is a party for the children in the Village Hall and donations of food would be welcomed by Pauline Woodford (☎898327)

ADVENT CHALLENGE

The **Bible Society** encourages everyone to take part in this year's Advent Challenge. Their online Advent calendar challenges participants to do a small, practical act of kindness every day, to share goodwill and make a difference during the Advent season. Now is the time to sign up to take part by visiting www.adventchallenge.org.uk

IN BRIEF

The bells are undergoing necessary repairs for approximately two weeks. They will return to their normal volume on, hopefully, 4th December
The Children's Society home boxes are now due for return. Please give them to a sidesperson at church or return them to The Bramleys, Annings Lane.

Next Sunday 10.30 am **Family Service with Baptism**

... led by Revd Ryder Rogers and followed by coffee

4th Dec

6.30 pm Holy Communion

... led by Revd Sue Linford

Old Testament: Isaiah 11: 1-10;

Epistle: Romans 15: 4-13; Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12

Advent 2

DECEMBER DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 5th Julian Prayer Group at SWYRE (10.00 am)
8th Christmas Lunch for Over 60s (12.30 pm)
Reflect and Study at PUNCKNOWLE (7.00 pm)
9th Tots and Pram Service (2.15 pm)
Christingle and Party (3.30 pm)
14th Coffee Stop in the Village Hall run by members of the Church (10-12)
18th Carol Service (6.30 pm)
19th Carol Singing around the Village (6.00 pm)

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND GIFT AID

In dedicating our offertory, we not only recognise those gifts donated through the offertory plate but also those given through standing orders and by any visitors to their home churches as we all dedicate ourselves in God's service. If you are a tax payer and are able to do so, please use one of the *orange* Gift Aid envelopes for your offering. Those using orange envelopes on a regular basis might prefer to use a numbered envelope (no fixed weekly or total amount required) or a standing order. Please ask Irene Piper (☎898603) for more information.

PASTORAL ASSISTANTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Pastoral Assistants are available for visiting. If you or anyone you know would like such a visit, please contact Pauline Woodford (☎898327) or Christine Lawrence (☎898616). If there is someone that you would like to be included in our prayers for the sick, please contact Pauline Woodford (☎898327) or a Churchwarden.

FLOODLIGHTING:

If you would like to have St. Mary's floodlit for a baptism or wedding, or in memory of someone, please speak to the Churchwardens, Chrissie Bailey or Peter Broomhead.

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 9.00 am **Thursday**, please
☎ 01308 898603 e: julian@jipiper.co.uk

Burton Bradstock Parish Church

Part of the Bride Valley Benefice



Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially 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 or purchase items of interest.

Please take advantage of:

- supporting material suitable for children for each service
- soft toys for use with young children/babies during the service
- music for the sung communion services.

Pew News

**Sunday 27th Nov 2016
Advent Sunday**



St Mary's Church

11.00 am Holy Communion

... led by Revd Sue Linford

Old Testament: Isaiah 2: 1-5; Epistle: Romans 13: 11-end
Gospel: Matthew 24: 36-44

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by Mike Read

Psalm: 9; Old Testament: Isaiah 52: 1-12;
New Testament: Matthew 24: 15-28

Call to worship and thought for the week:

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! ... It is like the dew of Hermon which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life for evermore. (*Psalm 133: 1,3*)

Rector: Revd Canon Stephen Batty, The Rectory, Church Street, Burton Bradstock (☎898799)
Churchwardens: Chrissie Bailey (☎897603) & Peter Broomhead (☎897408)