

Please pray for:

- All who suffer as a result of conflict – that God will bring peace
- The people of the Philippines whose lives have been devastated by the typhoon
- Those who live in *Roberts Close and Shadrack*
- All the Churches in our benefice – serving Christ in the Valley
- Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan
- Bishops Nicholas, Graham and Edward
<http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/thought-for-the-month/latest>
- Revd Peter & Tito Saunt taking the Thorners Open the Book Assembly on Thursday
- Pat Lewis-Badgett taking the Open the Book Assembly at the school 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.

COLLECTS FOR ADVENT SUNDAY

- for use in the services or in 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

Mon	2 nd	10.00 am	Julian Prayer Group at SWYRE
		5.00 pm	Parochial Church Council
Tues	3 rd	9.00 am	Time for Prayer (in the Church)
Wed	4 th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer
		10.00 am	Holy Communion (Order 1)
Thurs	5 th	11.30 am	Chesil Court Christmas Lunch
		7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice
Sat	7 th	2.00 pm	School Christmas Fayre

DEC PHILIPPINES TYPHOON APPEAL

A further £62.26 was added last week to the donations from the retiring collection of the previous Sunday making a grand total of **£322.86** which has been handed over to the Appeal. The Churchwardens wish to thank everyone for their generosity.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: CHRISTINGLE AND CAROLS

We celebrate that Christ came to be the light of the world in our Christingle Service on **Friday 13th December at 3.30 pm**. Revd Sue Linford will be leading this and children will be taking part. Please come and support them in this candlelit service which is followed by tea in the Village Hall and a party for the children. Offers of cakes and party food would be very much appreciated by the kitchen team. Please let Lesley Dove know if you can help with this (☎897695).

Carol singing around the village will take place on the evening of Monday December 16th. All are welcome to join us!

HELP FOR THE SCHOOL

The next 'Friends' event is the Christmas Fayre on **Saturday** from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm in the School Hall. Apart from attending, your help would be appreciated: by providing items for the 'Pamper Hampers' tombola – toiletries and other related products. There is a box under the font for your gifts. Please support the event and attend if at all possible. The Friends are raising money for a covered area outside the reception classroom and to improve the computing facilities for the children.

AUTUMN MISSION EVENT

Thanks to all those who attended the event last Saturday evening and special thanks to all those who, through their tremendous efforts, made it such a success. A total of **£380** was raised which will be shared equally between the two charities (Leprosy Mission and Footprints).

Next Sunday

8th December

2nd in Advent

11.00 am Holy Communion

...led by Revd Bob Thorn

Old Testament: Isaiah 11: 1-10 Epistle: Romans 15: 4-13

Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by James Webster

Psalm: 80 Old Testament: Amos 7

New Testament: Luke 1: 5-20

DATES FOR THE DIARY

CHESIL COURT CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please remember to let Lesley Dove (☎897695) know if you wish to attend the lunch on **Thursday 5th December**.

TOTS AND PRAMS SERVICE

The next service is on **Friday 13th December** at 2.15 pm (before the Christingle)

DEANERY ART REFLECTIONS

The next session, reflecting on the Incarnation through art, will be held at St Mary's Bridport on **Monday 9th December** at 7.00 pm, led by Chris Higham

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 envelopes for your offering.

PASTORAL ASSISTANTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

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

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, 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
☎ 01308 898603

The Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin Burton Bradstock

December 1st, 2013

Advent Sunday

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8.00 am Holy Communion

...led by Revd Bob Thorn

Old Testament: Isaiah 2: 1-5 Gospel: Matthew 24: 36-44

9.30 am Family Service

... led by Yvonne Buckland

6.30 pm Evensong

... led by Mike Read

Psalm: 44 Old Testament: Micah 4: 1-7

New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

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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/purchase items of interest. Supporting material suitable for children for each Sunday's service is available, and please ask if you would like soft toys for use with young children/babies during the service.

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Thought for the Week:

"Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (Matthew 24:44)