

### 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.**

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Usual hours The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-4 and Friday 9-1.30. For enquiries outside these times contact the Vicar.

### Office Christmas Holiday leave

The office will close from Friday afternoon 19th December until 9am on Wednesday 7th January 2026.

We wish you all a peaceful and merry Christmas  
and a happy and hopeful New Year.



**Sunday 21st December 2025**  
**4th Sunday in Advent**

### Sunday 21st December 2025- 4th Sunday in Advent

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Wool
10.45am	Carol Service (Streamed)	online
Zoom link: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413</a> Meeting ID: 515 225 5413		
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
11am	Carol Service	Bere Regis
11am	Carol Service	Winfrith
4pm	Carol Service	Wool
4pm	Carol Service	West Lulworth

### Wednesday 24th of December 2025 — Christmas Eve

2pm	Nativity Service	Winfrith
4pm	Nativity Service	East Lulworth
5pm	Christingle	Bere Regis
5.30pm	Carols at the d'Urberville Centre	Wool
9pm	'Midnight in Bethlehem' Communion	Bere Regis
9pm	'Midnight in Bethlehem' Communion	Wool
9pm	'Midnight in Bethlehem' Communion	Chaldon

### Thursday 25th of December 2025 — CHRISTMAS DAY

10am	Christmas Day Communion	Affpuddle
10.30am	Christmas Day Communion	Wool
11am	Christmas Praise	Bere Regis
11am	Christmas Day Communion	Winfrith

### Sunday 28th of December 2025 — 1st Sunday of Christmas

10.30am	<b>BENEFICE EUCHARIST</b>	Wool
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### Sunday 4th January 2026 — Epiphany

9am	Holy Communion	Wool
9am	BCP Holy Communion	East Lulworth
10.30 for 10.45am	Café Church	Winfrith Village Hall
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
4pm	Evensong	Bere Regis

**HOLY ROOD CHURCH**  
**WOOL**  
**SUNDAY 21 DECEMBER**  
**4PM**

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**CHRISTMAS CAROL  
SERVICE**

Sunday 21 December  
4pm  
Holy Trinity Church  
West Lulworth



*Celebrate  
Christmas*

Come along to our  
special services this  
Christmas and celebrate  
the birth of Jesus

in  
Bere Regis and  
Affpuddle

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**      **Christmas Concert with**  
**December**      **5pm**      **Wareham Choral Society**  
**Bere Regis**

<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Junior Church</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>'Christmas Cake' Family</b>
<b>Bere Regis</b>		<b>Service</b>
	<b>3pm</b>	<b>'The Longest Night'</b>
		a reflective service for those who find Christmas difficult

<b>Christmas Eve</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Christingle Service</b>
<b>Bere Regis</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>'Midnight in Bethlehem' Communion Service</b>

**Wednesday 6.30pm Christmas Carol Service**  
**17<sup>th</sup>**  
**December**  
**Affpuddle**

**Christmas Day**  
**10am**  
**Christmas Day**  
**Communion**  
**Affpuddle**  
**Service**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 11am Christmas Carol Service**  
**December**  
**Bere Regis**

**Bere Regis 11am Christmas Praise**

*And a very Happy Christmas to you all*





### FLOWERS AT HOLY ROOD

The Christmas flowers will be put into Holy Rood Church on Monday 22nd December from about 11am, please come along and help if you can.

If you have any greenery spare please bring along as the bulk of the display is the greenery at this time of year.

*Wishing you all a very  
Happy and Blessed  
Christmas from the  
Flower Team.*

### SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**The work of the Church:** In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi. We pray also for the Children's Society and our Clergy and Licensed Lay Ministers.

#### **This Benefice:**

We pray for all those who are isolating or not able to join in with worship at this time. We pray for the Bere Regis Surgery, the Wellbridge Surgery and all NHS staff. Also farms across all parts of the Benefice.

We pray for the residents of Culeaze, Doddings and Griffin Gardens in Bere Regis; The Launches and Triangle in West Lulworth; Winbrook Fold and The Orchard in Winfrith and East Knighton; Cologne Road, Cranesmoor Close and Cunningham Close in Bovington, Cottage Close and Cowslip Close in Wool

#### **Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:**

We pray for Peter Wharf, Catherine; Joe; Louisa Botterill; Brenda and David; Mark; Heather Edwards; Daisy Martin; Pat House; David; Barry Quinn; Lesley Weeks

*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: Stanley Burden.



**Thank you**  
to everyone for all the help and support  
with the Christmas tree festival at Holy Rood.

### BREAKFAST CLUB

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

**All welcome!**

**Please telephone Mary to let her know if you are coming on 01929 556086.**

### D'Urberville Hall

There will be a service of Holy Communion at the D'Urberville Centre on Wednesday 7th January at 10.30 am.

There is no Community Lunch at the hall in January. See you all again on 4th February.

*Wishing you  
a very merry Christmas  
and a happy New Year.*

### **Please pray for the family and friends of**

**Stanley Burden**, whose funeral and burial will take place  
on Tuesday 23rd of December at Holy Rood, Wool, and

**Geoffrey Holton**, whose ashes will be buried on Sunday 4th January 2026  
in Holy Rood churchyard, Wool.