

### 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 5th October 2025**  
**The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

### SUNDAY 5th October - 16th Sunday after Trinity

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Wool
9am	BCP Holy Communion - Harvest	East Lulworth
10.30 for 10.45am	Café Church	Winfrith Village Hall
11am	St Francis - Pet service	Affpuddle
6pm	Harvest Evensong	Bere Regis

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Usual hours      The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-12 and 12.30-4 and Friday 9-1.30.  
For enquiries outside these times contact the Vicar.

### MIDWEEK SERVICE - 8th October

10.30am	Morning Prayer	Bere Regis
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### Next Sunday 12th October - 17th Sunday after Trinity

10am	Morning Praise	Affpuddle
10am	Junior Church	Bere Regis
10.30am	Holy Communion	Wool
11am	Family Service - Harvest	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith
6pm	Harvest Service	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](mailto: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 16th Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you;  
and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do,  
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;  
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 16th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,  
you have taught us through your Son  
that love is the fulfilling of the law:  
grant that we may love you with our whole heart  
and our neighbours as ourselves;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Readings:** Hab. 1.1-4; 2.1-4; 2 Tim. 1.1-14; Luke 17.5-10

**Gospel:** Luke 17.5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.  
'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"'

### Zoom Link for 8.30am Online Morning Prayer

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. All are very welcome. Use the Zoom link:  
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79025895072?pwd=oylntUBXlIn6aJA7yo2WGeC0o1ly7K.1>  
Meeting ID: 790 2589 5072

### Mission update from Revd Lisselle

Over the summer we've begun making some really good connections in **Bovington**, one of which is building relationship with the community and team at '**Poppies Tea Room**'. In order to offer more for the local community, the tea-room has started making a small welcome area for a Community bookshare shelf, that people can pop by and enjoy at no cost. An easy way we can support this is through provision of books! The specific requirement is **Near to new/good condition paperbacks**: ♦ Quick read popular fiction books - think holiday reads, mum's coffee morning, book group ♦ Current auto/biographies ♦ One or two inspiring Christian biographies.  
The idea here is quality over quantity, so have a scour and see if there is anything on your shelf that could be rehomed in this way. **Please keep the tea room particularly in your prayers.**

### NEW ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY ANNOUNCED

The Diocese of Salisbury has welcomed today's announcement of the appointment of **Bishop Sarah Mullally** as the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury. Read the statements from all our Bishops and a prayer for the Right Revd Dame Sarah Mullally's new ministry. The Bishop of Salisbury, Rt Revd Stephen Lake, said: "The announcement of the new Archbishop of Canterbury is a historic and welcome moment for the Church.



"I thank God for Bishop Sarah's willingness to respond to this call to serve and look forward to working with her as we seek to share the good news of Jesus Christ to a country so in need of hope and healing. Part of her ministry was shaped here in Salisbury, as a canon of Salisbury Cathedral, and knowing her gifts in pastoral leadership, we celebrate her appointment today. She will be a blessing to the whole Church, in the UK and across the Anglican Communion.

"I urge all people of faith to join me in praying for her as she prepares for this ministry."

The Bishop of Sherborne, Rt Revd Karen Gorham, said:

"I am delighted that after 10 years of women bishops in the Church of England, we have the first female Archbishop of Canterbury. Bishop Sarah brings much wisdom, care, experience and organisational skills to the role. We look forward to working with her as she leads the church onto its next stage. As a former Canon Treasurer of Salisbury Cathedral, Sarah takes on this significant task with the love and prayers of this diocese."

[The Bishop of Salisbury Facebook](#)

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> at 09.00 am



ST ANDREWS CHURCH  
EAST LULWORTH

COME AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE  
THE HARVEST

FOLLOWED BY A LIGHT BREAKFAST.

*Dry food gifts welcomed for donation to the local food bank.*

### NOTICE

St Andrews Church  
East Lulworth

**WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

from October 6<sup>th</sup> 2025 to the end of  
November 2025

To enable major repairs to the flooring.

**Thursday Tea and Toast at St John  
the Baptist, Bere Regis  
8am until 11am Thursdays.**

All ages are welcome; there will be some toddler-age toys available. Dogs and their owners are very welcome (including doggie biscuits!). For more information, please contact Pat Wharf:

[patswiftwharf@outlook.com](mailto:patswiftwharf@outlook.com) 01929 472246.



# Quiet

# Day

**Hilfield  
Friary  
28<sup>th</sup> October  
10am-4pm**

“Surely I have quieted and stilled my soul,  
like a weaned child with its mother.” Psalm 131.2

**Email Eve at [office@westpurbeck.org.uk](mailto:office@westpurbeck.org.uk)  
to book your place.**

**£10 for the day**

**Please bring a packed lunch**



## BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am  
(next meeting 8th October). **All welcome!**

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

## SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**The work of the Church:** Please pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania. Also please pray for the Mission to Seafarers and our Maintenance Teams.

**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 Foodbanks in Wareham and Bere Regis. Pray for the residents of Bladen Valley, Chalk Pit Close and Chamberlaynes in Bere Regis; Main Road and Morey's Close in West Lulworth; School Lane, Butts Close and Gibraltar Cottages in Winfrith and East Knighton; Newtown Hill in Coombe Keynes, Oakdene Road and Penn Gardens in Wool, Middlefield Cottages in East Stoke.

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

We pray for Peter Wharf; Catherine; Joe; Louisa Botterill; Brenda and David; Wendy Morrison; Hillie Montgomery; Mark; Heather Edwards; Daisy Martin; Edward Gainsford; Pat House; David; Freda Orchard

*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:** Leslie Newberry; Tony Bates; Sheila Meaden; Richard Best; Eileen Rolls; Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

*Please pray for the friends and families of*  
**Tony Bates**, whose funeral service will take place at Harbour View, Lytchett Minster on Thursday, 9th October, also  
**John Fordham**, whose ashes will be interred at Holy Trinity, West Lulworth, and  
**Richard Best**, whose funeral will take place at Holy Rood, Wool, on Friday 10th October

God of love,  
turn our hearts to your ways;  
and give us peace.

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# Harvest Festival

~ WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU ~

**5  
OCT**

9AM  
ST ANDREW'S  
EAST  
LULWORTH  
BH20 5QS

6PM EVENSONG  
ST JOHN  
THE BAPTIST  
BERE REGIS  
BH20 7HQ

**12  
OCT**

10AM KIDS CRAFT  
+ 11AM FAMILY  
SERVICE  
ST JOHN'S, BERE  
REGIS BH20 7HQ

6PM SERVICE +  
HARVEST AUCTION  
ST NICHOLAS'  
CHALDON HERRING  
DT2 8DN

**19  
OCT**

11AM  
ST LAURENCE'S  
AFFPUDDLE  
DT2 7HH



THERE'S ALSO A PET SERVICE  
YOU + YOUR PETS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND  
11AM SUN 5<sup>TH</sup> OCT AT ST LAURENCE AFFPUDDLE DT2 7HH

HARVEST GIFTS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE IN NEED



## ST FRANCIS DAY SERVICE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS 5TH OCTOBER

St Laurence Affpuddle  
11am outside, weather permitting  
12pm horse blessing, farmyard opposite  
the church



**Café Church**

THIS SUNDAY

Sunday 5 Oct 10:30  
Coffee & Croissants  
Winfrith Village Hall

**Jesus Comforts Troubled Hearts**

## Experience Harvest - Wed 8<sup>th</sup> October from 1pm onwards

Come and see what Wool school children have been doing at Experience Harvest in Holy Rood Church. We celebrate the harvests of the garden, ocean, flock, grain and earth at various sites around the church and give thanks for the fruit of the spirit in the Sukkah.

A Sukkah is a construction built every year by Jews in their gardens, on rooftops or out in the wilderness to remind them of the time Moses led their ancestors to the Promised Land following a pillar of fire by night and a pillar of cloud by day.

People picnic in their Sukkah and sometimes sleep overnight. They remember God's goodness in saving them from slavery in Egypt and providing food, manna and quail and water to drink in the desert wilderness. They call this the Feast of Sukkot or Tabernacles. Do have a wander around and experience harvest giving thanks to God. Rev Jenny

Come and hear our very own Curate, Lydia, speak at **Purbeck Deanery Synod at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at Wareham Parish Hall, the Quay, Wareham.** Lydia will speak and lead a discussion on wildlife conservation in churchyards. There will be a practical focus with useful resources for churches who would like to get started or expand what they are currently doing. Everyone welcome!

