

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.**



The Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday 6th April 2025 PASSION SUNDAY

Sunday 6th April - The Fifth Sunday of Lent - Passion Sunday

9am	Holy Communion by extension	Wool
9am	BCP Holy Communion	East Lulworth
10.30 for 10.45am	Café Church	Winfrith Village Hall
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
6pm	Evensong	Bere Regis

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MIDWEEK SERVICE - Wednesday 9th April

10.30am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
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Next Sunday - 13th April - PALM SUNDAY

9am	Holy Communion	Chaldon
	followed by Palm Procession to Winfrith	
10am	Morning Praise	Affpuddle
10am	Junior Church	Bere Regis
10.30am	Holy Communion	Wool
10.45	Palm Procession from Scout Hut	Bere Regis
11am	Family Service	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith
	(following Palm Procession from Chaldon)	
3pm	Canzonetta	Bere Regis

Collect for Passion Sunday

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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**

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 and the West Purbeck Benefice Logo in the signature. Please don't click on any links in suspect emails.

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Post Communion Prayer for Passion Sunday

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters
we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of others
as you were the servant of all,
and gave up your life and died for us,
but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings: Isa. 43.16-21; Phil. 3.4b-14; John 12.1-8

Gospel: John 19.25b-27

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

Online Prayer

Morning Prayer is prayed at 8.30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays by a small group of parishioners on Zoom. Would you like to make this a part of your day? All are very welcome. Here is the Zoom link for the coming week:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78121856212?pwd=7WJlQmkrBRwaWFH8WtUrNehOA3FEwD.1>

Meeting ID: 781 2185 6212

Revision of Church Electoral Rolls.

All of our churches are currently renewing their Electoral Rolls. Once every six years a completely new roll has to be prepared, and everyone who wishes to be on an Electoral Roll needs to re-apply. The Electoral Roll is a list of people who can vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), and who may stand to serve as members of the PCC. It is the nearest thing that we have to a membership list in the Church of England. The new Electoral Roll will be adopted by each church at its APCM. Application forms for each church are now available in church, or may be downloaded from the Benefice Website. The deadline for return of completed forms varies from church to church - please speak with your church Electoral Roll Officer for more information. Thank you.

Holy Rood Social Events—Raffle Prizes

We are planning the very many exciting events for 2025. There will be raffles held at several of the events. Could I ask you to donate some prizes please to help fundraising?

We are saving hard to install internet and streaming services into Holy Rood church to enable weddings, funerals and services to reach wider audiences. Please give to Danzella or Sheila via any member of our church community.

A huge 'thank you', from Toni.

BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 9th April). **All welcome!**

Please let Mary know if you are coming on 01929 556086

Update on the Poppy Appeal - The Poppy Cascade from the Holy Rood Church Tower

Thank you to all those who have made poppies so far and please keep making, we will need at least one thousand or more; also black buttons are needed for the Felt Poppies.

Please place your completed poppies in the various collecting boxes. The plan is to start sewing them onto the net in May. The cut-off date for poppies will be September.

A Rehearsal is currently being planned on how the net will be installed. I will send more updates in the next few months. If the Guerrilla Gardeners can pull off this ambitious installation it will be amazing - thanks again for your support.

Dates when sewing begins will be in the Link and on FaceBook in May.

Wool and Felt are available, please contact Sue Burroughs on 463803 or email sue@whomwah.com

Thank you, Sue Burroughs



A date for your diaries

Our curate, Rev Lydia, will be ordained priest in Salisbury Cathedral on 28th June at 4.30pm. All are warmly invited! Travel arrangements are to be sorted out but lifts will certainly be available.

THE LABYRINTH QUIET DAY

On Tuesday we had a wonderful, peaceful time on our Labyrinth Quiet Day led by Nickie Fidgin (far right in the photo), the Labyrinth facilitator. Andy and Barbara are not in the photo. Nickie explained to us the fascinating history of Labyrinths dating back over 4,000 years and how they appear in many different countries, cultures and faith traditions. Christians and non-Christians have used labyrinths for prayer, meditation, healing and stress relief and even to encourage safe fishing trips and good harvests in the past. We heard many stories of how walking a labyrinth has helped different people that she has worked with in schools, prisons, churches and hospices.

Nickie first fell in love with using a labyrinth on St. Agnes in the Scilly Isles. It drew her in and after having walked it she felt at peace. This is often what people notice, an attraction to walk around it. Unlike a maze, a labyrinth has no false paths or dead ends and achieving the centre is only part of the overall journey in and out. All you need to do is follow the path.

We all walked the labyrinth after sitting outside for a picnic lunch. At first, I found it quite difficult to walk normally as the track is quite narrow and my journey to the centre felt a little awkward. But as I followed the twists and turns



of long runs and short runs, I became less self-conscious and more inwardly focussed. When we reached the centre we took time to be still and quiet before returning the same route. This meant we met people coming in the opposite direction, but everyone was very accommodating, stepping aside if they were on their return route. It was nice to walk alongside people and then part ways only to be reunited later. I had only walked a labyrinth on my own before, so it added an extra dimension to walk with others. I know we all took something away with us on our spiritual journeys and our heartfelt thanks go to Nickie for leading us so sensitively.

Rev Jenny

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile. Also please pray for the General Synod, Archbishops' Council and our Bell Ringers.

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, local shops and businesses. Pray for the residents of Sitterton Close and Snatford Bridge in Bere Regis; Church Road and Farm Lane in West Lulworth; Thornicks and Langcotes in Winfrith and East Knighton; Manor Farm Barns and Manor Farm Cottages in East Stoke, Meadow Lane and Lower Hillside Road in Wool.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf; Mark; Chris Rick; Esther Farr; Eileen Rolls; John Mitchell; Catherine; Joe; Christine Burroughs; Louisa Botterill

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: Gladys Halliday; Miriam (Mim) Parkinson; Anthea Edwards; Jean Caundle
Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

EASTER FLOWERS APPEAL

If you would like to donate money towards Easter Flowers in Holy Rood, please place your money in a sealed envelope and hand to Sue Burroughs or a members of the clergy before Saturday 19th April.

If you would like an arrangement to be in memory of a loved one, please add their name and I will place a card near the flowers.

Thank you, Sue Burroughs.



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 at patswiftwharf@outlook.com or on 01929 472246.

NEW APPOINTMENT

I am pleased to share with you all the good news that following the interview process last week, the Bishop has confirmed Lisselle Clarke-Moisley's appointment as West Purbeck Benefice Missioner.

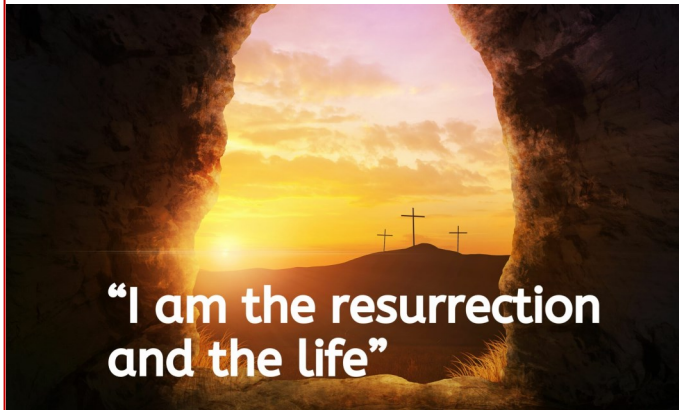
Lisselle's licensing service will be on Saturday 7th June at 5pm, venue to be confirmed. We very much look forward to Lisselle joining us; she brings many skills and much enthusiasm for mission and ministry, which will be well used across the West Purbeck Benefice.

Please pray for her as she prepares to move house and join us.

Richard

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

CAFÉ CHURCH - THIS SUNDAY



**"I am the resurrection
and the life"**

At Café Church this Sunday
we shall be thinking about
what it means for Jesus to be
the Resurrection and the Life.

Come and join us for lively
worship, drama and
discussion as well as delicious
refreshments at Winfrith
Village Hall 10:30 for 10:45
start.

NEXT SUNDAY

Canzonetta

Sacred music for Holy Week

With Richard Hall and Emily Oxlaby, Soprano

An hour of reflective music including
Mozart's Laudate Dominum, extracts from Handel's Messiah,
Bach's Jesu, Joy of man's desiring and
Poulenc's Ave verum corpus.

Sunday 13 April 3pm

St John the Baptist, Bere Regis BH20 7HQ



Free admission
retiring collection for church funds
join us for tea and cake
afterwards

Sunday 20th April

EASTER SERVICE

8am Lulworth Cove



All welcome!

Free parking at the Lulworth Cove Car Park until 10am



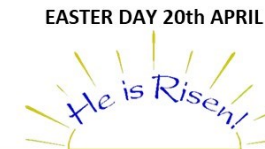
PALM SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Bere Regis			
10am	Junior Church	9.30am	Chaldon Holy Communion
10.45am	Palm Procession from Scout Hut		Palm Procession Chaldon to Winfrith
11am	Family Service	11am	Winfrith Holy Communion
3pm	Canzonetta: Music for Holy Week		
Affpuddle Morning Praise		Wool Holy Communion	
10am		10.30am	
WEDNESDAY 16th APRIL		MAUNDY THURSDAY 17th APRIL	
10.30am	Wool Holy Communion D'Urberville Centre	4.30pm	Wool Holy Communion
		6pm	Bere Regis Holy Communion
		7pm	East Lulworth Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY 18th APRIL

Bere Regis and Affpuddle		Winfrith Walk of Witness	
9.30am	Walk to Black Hill - leave from Bere Regis church or Briantspuddle Village Hall	10.30am	From School to St Christopher's Church
2pm	Affpuddle Good Friday service		Wool Ecumenical Walk of Witness
		11.30am	from St Joseph's RC church to Holy Rood

EASTER DAY 20th APRIL



LULWORTH COVE			
8am	Communion on the Beach	10.30am	Holy Communion Wool
		11am	Holy Communion Affpuddle
		11am	Holy Communion Bere Regis