

**THE BENEFICE MAGAZINE
DURWESTON & BRYANSTON,
PIMPERNE, STOURPAINE.
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The Magic of Christmas

Christmas is a magical time. There is something in the air. Is it the Christmas lights? The smell of the pine needles? Or the special food? There is a sense of expectation, which sadly seems to evaporate on Christmas Day itself.

I grapple with Christmas every year, trying to rediscover the magic; to work out what it really means for us and the world at large. The big problem is that for most of us we get too busy with all the preparations and for some of us attending too many services.

The easy answer we give children is that it is the birthday of Jesus. Indeed that is worth celebrating, but why is his birth so special?

The early Church also had to work hard to discover the magic of Christmas and it would appear that in the first few centuries they did not celebrate Christmas at all!

However it seems to me that the early Christian writers did nail the true magic of Christmas:

The Word became flesh and dwelt amongst us full of grace and truth.

For to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord

Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel, which means God with us.

Stephen Coulter



May we all rediscover the magic of Christmas this year.

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BENEFICE CHURCH SERVICES

Pimperne

Stourpaine

Durweston

December 2013

Sun 1 st	Advent Sunday 9.15am Family Communion	8am H C (Said BCP) 6pm Advent Candlelight Service	11am Family Service
Wed 4 th			11am H C (Said BCP)
Sun 8 th	The Second Sunday of Advent 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Children's Service	8am H C (BCP) Bryanston 6pm Sung Evensong
Wed 11 th		11am H C (Said BCP)	
Sun 15 th	The Third Sunday of Advent 9.15am H C (Said BCP) 4pm Carol Service	6pm Carol Service	11am Holy Communion
Sun 22 nd	The Fourth Sunday of Advent 9.15am Holy Communion 5pm Carols around the Tree	11am Holy Communion	6pm Carol Service
Sun 29 th	The First Sunday of Christmas 9.15am Holy Communion	6pm Sung Evensong	11am Family Service

For Christmas Services see details inside

January 2013

Wed 1 st	New Year's Day		NO SERVICE @11am
Sun 5 th	Epiphany 9.15am Family Communion	8am H C (Said BCP)	11am Family Service
Wed 8 th		11am H C (Said BCP)	
Sun 12 th	The First Sunday after Epiphany 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Children's Service	8am H C (BCP) Bryanston 6pm Sung Evensong
Sun 19 th	The Second Sunday after Epiphany 9.15am Holy Communion	6pm Sung Evensong	11am Holy Communion
Sun 26 th	The Third Sunday after Epiphany 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Sunday Club 6pm Sung Evensong

NEXT EDITION OF MAGAZINE Items for inclusion in the February/March edition should be passed to your parish representative by 5th January 2014.

Pimperne - Mrs Jenny Ashwell (459393)

Stourpaine - Mrs Vanessa De Morgan (456002)

Durweston & Bryanston – Miss Margaret Handy (453632)

CHILDREN'S PAGE

DURWESTON

Durweston Sunday Club takes place at St. Nicholas on the fourth Sunday of every month from 9.30 – 10.15 a.m. The children bring their craft/puzzle to show at the Family Service on the first Sunday of the month.

PIMPERNE

See Pimperne section

STOURPAINE

Babies and Toddlers – every Monday 10 – 11.30 a.m. takes place in the Village Hall during term time.

Children's Service – second Sunday of the month 11 a.m. at Holy Trinity

Nativity Word Search

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BENEFICE NEWS

Advent & Christmas Services

Sunday 1st December

6pm Advent Service Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

Sunday 15th December

4pm Carol Service St Peter, Pimperne

6pm Carol Service Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

Sunday 22nd December

5pm Carols around the Tree St Peter, Pimperne

6pm Carol Service St Nicholas, Durweston

Christmas Eve - Tuesday 24th December

4pm Crib Service St Nicholas, Durweston

4pm Crib Service St Peter, Pimperne

4pm Crib Service Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

11.30pm Midnight Mass St Peter, Pimperne

11.30pm Midnight Mass St Nicholas, Durweston

11.30pm Midnight Mass Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

Christmas Day - Wednesday 25th December

9.15am Holy Communion St Peter, Pimperne

11am Holy Communion St Nicholas, Durweston

11am Holy Communion Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

ADVERTISING IN THE BENEFICE MAGAZINE

"We are now accepting advertisements into the Benefice Magazine, and are contacting local businesses to see if they might be interested in helping the church whilst also gaining advertising within the Benefice catchment at competitive rates. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Victoria Silvey on 450185 or hibbertvictoria@yahoo.co.uk to find out more."

The Benefice does not endorse any product or service.

From the Parish Registers

Baptisms

We welcome into the church:

Arya Grace Fosh baptised Sunday 27th October 2013 at Holy Trinity Stourpaine

Deaths

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families of:

Jillian Goodfield of Down Road Pimperne died 5th October 2013 aged 58

BENEFICE WEATHER

RAINFALL - September/October 2013 MEASURED AT LAZERTON FARM since 1963

2013	Over the last 50 Years		
September	Highest	Lowest	Average
1.81 in(46.1 mm)	8.01 in(203 mm) 1976	0.34 in(8.6 mm) 2003	2.88 in(73.2 mm)

A damp month albeit with below average rainfall; only 11 days without any rain and only 3 days with more than 5 mm. Temperatures higher than average generally, but with few bright blue cloudless days and so no Indian Summer. Mind you some people say that there can only be an Indian Summer if there has been a frost so we have missed out on two counts. Apple trees have been laden with excellent fruit and "help yourself" boxes began to appear at front gates with fine samples of fruit. In the veggie patch, French beans have done wonderfully well; others may have had different bumper crops.

October	Highest	Lowest	Average
5.84in(148.5mm)	8.7 in(221 mm) 1976	0.31 in(7.9 mm) 1969	3.89 in(98.8 mm)

The warm and damp conditions of September continued into October and with 6 rainless days on the trot towards the beginning of the month there was the possibility of a well below average total. Increasingly showery and blustery stuff from the Atlantic then took over, culminating in the St Jude storm during the night of 26/27th of the month which dumped 31mm onto us and, with gusts of 70mph, knocked over a fair few trees closing roads and cutting electricity supplies to some areas into the bargain. The sound of chain saws was to be heard around the county from shortly after dawn as road clearance teams got into action. As I pen this note there is still much clearing up and repair work to be done to walls, fences, hedges and gardens.

The Benefice Magazine can be viewed
<http://stourpaine.info/benefice.htm>

DURWESTON & BRYANSTON NEWS

DURWESTON CHORAL SOCIETY WINTER SOIREE

Durweston Choral Society present a Winter Soirée on Saturday 18th January 7pm for 7.30pm in Durweston Village Hall
Featuring a super supper with a glass of wine and a lively miscellany of choral items from the choir.

Bar and raffle

Tickets £20 available from choir members and Set Fair 4 Trade from January 2014 More info. Jennie Rake 01258 453555, Lizzie Patterson 01258 830216 and Maggie Peers 01258 472253.

DURWESTON HALL EVENTS.

29th November. film "FLIGHT".

6th December. concert with Hambleton Hopstep ceildh band and Tim Laycock.

13th December. Film " BAND WAGON"

16th December. Seniors lunch.

24th & 25th January. PANTOMINE "SNOW WHITE..

February 1st Film "Hot fingers".

There will be NO coffee morning on 27th December. Draw with extra prizes will be on 20th December. plus Cameo Club will be running a raffle in aid of Julia's House.

CAMEO CLUB

10th December. Christmas dinner.

14th Jan. A.G.M. starting at 7.30 pm in the Hall..

BRY ANSTON NEWS.

21st December. Carol Sing ing and Bonfire meeting in the village 7.00 pm.

5th December. Coffee morning in the estate Club starting at 1030 am

1st January. coffee morning in the estate Club starting at 10.30.

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF CHURCH FUNDS

6th December. in Hall starting at 9.30 am. Cakes etc very welcome plus Christmas decorations, raffle. Coffee & cake £1.50. Everyone welcome.

YOUTH CLUB 12th December, meeting in the Hall at the usual time..

Hi Ho-Hi Ho-It's of to the Panto we go
DURWESTON PLAYERS

Present

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs

By

Bob Heather and Cheryl Barrett

At Durweston Hall

On Friday 24th and Saturday the 25th

Of January

Doors open 7 for 7.30pm evening performances and

Saturday Matinee 2 for 2.30pm

Tickets available from the Box Office 01258 453170

Adults £6 OAP's and Children (under 14) £5

Family of four £20

PIMPERNE HAPPENINGS

NEWS FROM ST PETERS

In the Rylands Room

PEBBLES on Friday. An hour of playtime for babies and toddlers, while parents relax with coffee & chat. Every Friday during school term times, 10.30-11.30am in the Ryland Room (behind the church)

More details: Julie Loveless or Jacqui Torrance 01258 480713

PEBBLES on Sunday. An opportunity for parents to drop their children off at the Ryland Room at 9.10am and then go on to the 9.15am service in church. Children re-join their parents for communion towards the end of the service.

ST PETER'S JUNIOR CRAFT CLUB

The club meets at Pimperne School, after school hours on Fridays.

CAROL SERVICE at ST PETERS

Come to our Carol Service which will take place at 4pm on Sunday 15th

December featuring our own Benefice Choir and the Pimperne Primary School Choir directed by Alison Davies.

Richard Ashwell, Church warden

ST PETER'S 100 CLUB WINNERS

September - £20 Val Phillips £10 Matti Ruck

October - £20 Judith Martin £10 Jean Patterson

November - £20 David Latham £10 Shirley Mahoney

THE RYLANDS LUNCH CLUB

Regular home-made lunches are held every 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Rylands Room, and are as follows:

December 11th - an early Christmas celebration

Coffee will be served from 11.00 and lunch will be served from 12.30, and will be followed by tea/coffee.

The cost is £5 per meal and the contact is Beth Buchan on 01258 450771 or, beth.buchan@hotmail.co.uk together with your phone number. Closing date is the last day of the previous month. I look forward to seeing you there. Beth

VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNINGS

The next coffee morning will take place on the first Saturday in February. We would like to wish everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

Christmas is coming and so is the *ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS FAIR! LADIES DO YOU HAVE ANY COSTUME JEWELLERY YOU NO LONGER REQUIRE?*

Sue Murison will be running a costume jewellery stall and would be very grateful for any donations. Please contact Sue on 456802.

ANNUAL CRIB SERVICE

Don't forget! Christmas Eve, 4.00-4.30pm – Pimperne's Annual CRIB SERVICE in the church.

Especially for children and their families (and everybody else), this is the Nativity Play that everyone takes part in!

No rehearsals – we can have Angels and Shepherds and Kings in any quantities so if you'd like to dress up, get those dressing gowns, tea towels and paper

crowns out and bring them along! Otherwise, turn up as you are and take your chance with the dressing up box!

More details: Jacqui Torrance 01258 480713; jacqui@questionthesouth.org.uk

ST PETER'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

In St Peter's Church and the Rylands Room

SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER 10am

**FESTIVE MUSIC FROM THE PIMPERNE SCHOOL
UKULELE BAND, RAFFLE, GIFTS, PRESERVES, CAKES,
PAPERBACKS & DVD@S CHRISTMAS TABLE
DECORATIONS, LOTS OF LOVELY CHRISTMAS
GOODIES, TEA, COFFEE & MINCE PIES
ALL PROCEEDS TO ST PETERS PIMPERNE.
MULLED WINE and MINCE PIES**

**COME AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
CAROLS
BY THE OLD VILLAGE TREE
MUSIC BY THE STOUR VALE BAND ON SUNDAY
22nd DECEMBER AT 5pm MULLED WINE and
MINCE PIES**

There will be a collection in aid of St Peter's Church

ST. PETER'S TED BERETS ARE COMING BACK

***THEY WILL BE MAKING A FLYING VISIT TO RAISE FUNDS
FOR ST. PETERS DURING JUNE NEXT YEAR.***

***WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR TEDDY TO JOIN THE TED BERETS?
THEN LOOK FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND FUND
RAISING FORMS IN THE FEBRUARY/MARCH EDITION OF THE
BENEFICE MAGAZINE YOU HAVE TO BE A BRA VE BEAR TO
JOIN THE TED BERETS***

PIMPERNE PRIMARY SCHOOL

As you now read this I am sure that we will be approaching that very special time of year for the children. A number of school pupils have given me a weekly count down as I have stood greeting them and their parents at the school gates in the morning. What has the countdown been for? Christmas, of course!

Christmas for so many is a time of hope, celebration of things that are and a celebration of things that are still to come. Sometimes I feel as though it is Christmas all year round at Pimperne for the reasons I have just given!

Our school motto - Celebrate, Believe, Aspire, contains the word "celebrate". Just as Christians reflect thankfully on their fortunate lives during this period, we too are thankful for what we have and consider how fortunate we are when we think about other families in our country and overseas. At our school we celebrate and are thankful for the opportunities and current achievements of our school community, especially our pupils. This year we have introduced into our Celebration Assembly the opportunity for all our talented children to celebrate special achievements for which they have been recognised. We know that each of our children achieves in many different ways whilst at school and this is celebrated through the awarding of House Points, class reward points, teacher and headteacher stickers, to name but a few. Our children however don't just develop in school. So many of our children use their talents in outside clubs and associations from horse riding to swimming, cubs to marshall arts! We are very proud of what our children achieve and thankful that they have opportunities made available to them by their supportive parents and families, in and outside the school environment.

We also celebrate what is still to come. Just as the first Christmas brought the unknown joy and celebration of the birth of baby Jesus, our children will continue to be encouraged, challenged and praised for what they achieve in the future; they are our future.

Together with the aspirations for the future, we have the Advent and Christmas message of Hope. Hope for what the baby Jesus would be able to bring to all. In the same way, as a village and school community we are looking hopefully, towards the construction of our new school. We all hope that by the time this article is read, the initial works will be underway.

Hope and celebration for us as a Church school is very important and special, particularly at this time of year. These two words hold an even more tremendous significance at this time for us and our village.

On behalf of all the governors, staff and pupils, may I wish you all a Christmas full of hope and celebration.

Jerome De Silva

STOURPAINE HAPPENINGS

AUCTION OF ITEMS AND PROMISES

**By Robert A Warry FNAVA (late of Blandford
Auction Rooms) Saturday 1st March at 7pm in
Stourpaine Village Hall.**

**In aid of Holy Trinity Church Stourpaine
Please join us for a fun evening!**

We will be having a supper with auction of promises in the Village Hall on Saturday 1st March at 7pm, in order to raise money for the church.

We will provide a delicious hot supper with a glass of wine, and there will be a raffle, and an auction of items and promises. The church needs your support, so please buy a ticket (£10 including supper), and offer items or promises.

**Offers to and tickets from: Sue Bosworth 454605
Gyda Warren 450649 Sue Atkinson 455778**

WANTED

**Volunteer to help deliver the Benefice Magazines in
Stourpaine.**

Please contact David Meaden on 01258 452083.

**This is an urgent requirement otherwise the residents of
Hod View will not have their magazine delivered.**

COFFEE MORNING
FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

In aid of Church Funds

10.30 -12.30hrs

There will be a coffee morning to raise funds for Holy Trinity Church on 6th December at Rose House, South Holme. Please do support the event – this is instead of a Christmas Fair, but there will be a raffle, cakes, produce, bring and buy, and more importantly, an opportunity to meet with neighbours and enjoy a cup of coffee. Please contact Sue (455778) or Gyda (450649) with any offers of help or donations.

STOURPAINE NEW VILLAGE HALL

To raise much needed funds for the New Village Hall, we are inviting you to support this by buying a "TILE"

BRONZE For a donation of £5.00

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PLATINUM: For a donation of £100.00 or more

Your name will be recorded in our book of donors and you will be given a certificate to indicate that you have made a donation for this worthwhile cause.

Forms are available from the White Horse shop and pub; additional forms are available from Barrie Waterman (01258450669)

VILLAGE CAROL SINGING

Monday 23rd DECEMBER

MEET AT THE WHITE HORSE AT 6PM - ALL WELCOME

WEAR WARM CLOTHES AND CARRY A TORCH

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE THE CAROL SINGERS TO CALL AND
SING OUTSIDE (OR INSIDE!) YOUR HOUSE, PLEASE RING
GYDA 450649**

STOURPAINE GARDENING CLUB

Wednesday 20 November-- Christmas Discount shopping at Castle Gardens. Please meet outside at 6.45 for 7pm where Jan will be waiting.

Friday 13 December--Christmas social with a glass of wine and mince pie. Singalong, Playalong Music for Fun by David Andrews

2014

Friday 10 January 7.30pm at The Village hall,--Gems by Tony Horrocks of Horrocks and Webb Blandford.

Please remember this is the time for renewing your membership £5 for the year, along with encouraging your friends to join.

Friday 11 February 7pm at the Village Hall --- A G M followed by a friendly Quiz.

July 8-13, a specific day has not yet been decided.

Coach Trip to Hampton Court Flower Show. This will be a full day, arriving at the show 10am and leaving between 6-7pm when it closes. The coach will pick up at The White Horse Stourpaine, and the cost will be approx £50. Tickets go on sale December so please phone Jan Palmer, 453470, if you are interested. Priority will be given to club members but there are sure to be some spare seats.

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We provide information to individuals or friends and family who need a helping hand to find out about the services and support available. We always try and find an answer, whatever the question. Our POPP team have a large list of contacts and information on a variety of topics, including: Fire Service home safety checks, health services, carers support, home aids, home care, social activities, food, transport and benefits.

If asked for help, we can arrange to visit you at your home and listen to your needs and discuss any concerns you have.

Never imagine that your query is too complex or too small. There are so many services in Dorset, we may be able to tell you about one that you were not aware of and many are free of charge. We don't know everything, but if you ask us something we will make every effort to get the information you need.



Dorset POPP also provide Champions to help the over 50's. Champions support the development of clubs and services in partnership with local communities. When Wayfinders find a gap in the provision of a service, they will inform a POPP Champion to see if they can help. Funding is currently available to support new initiatives for the over 50s. Dorset POPP has funded over 200 projects, from lunch clubs to activities for carers.

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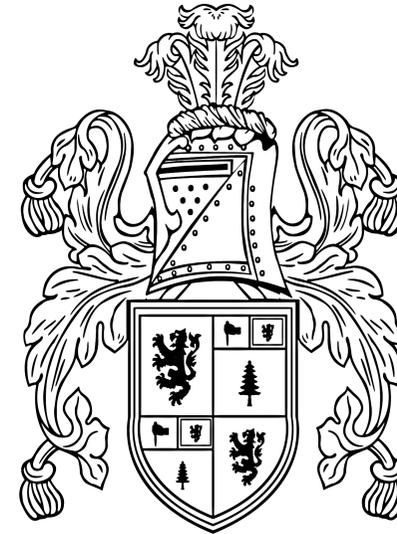
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Anne Wilkins **07971 338258**
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 01305 548111

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If you are interested in a role with the POPP Wayfinder and Champion team, please contact Help and Care on 0300 111 3303.

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For more information contact:
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