

**THE BENEFICE MAGAZINE  
DURWESTON & BRYANSTON,  
PIMPERNE, STOURPAINE.  
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## Fasting – is it good for you?

Well it seems fasting is now the in thing whether it be the 5:2 or 4:3 fast diet. Scientists have discovered that fasting can help us lose weight and even prolong our lives!

Lent is traditionally a time for fasting. The church has been doing it for centuries, following the example of Jesus who fasted for 40 days in the desert. And who in his sermon on the mount assumed that it was natural for people to fast.

Last year in Lent I lived on just £1 a day in an attempt to understand how the poor of this world live. I don't recommend it. I survived, but I did not enjoy it and didn't even lose weight. My diet was all wrong: too much carbohydrate and sugar and not enough protein, fresh fruit and vegetables.

This year I will be looking to eat healthily and lose weight. In fact I might even try a bit of 5:2 fasting.

Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March and ends on Easter Eve 19<sup>th</sup> April.

However above all, Lent is a time for us to prepare for Easter when we celebrate the death and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

As a benefice we will be running a series of classes through Lent for adults and children who wish to be confirmed. If you are interested please contact me for details.

Happy Fasting!

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## BENEFICE CHURCH SERVICES

### Pimperne

### Stourpaine

### Durweston

### February

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemass) 9.15am Holy Communion	8am H C (Said BCP)	11am Family Service
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>			11am H C (Said BCP)
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	The Fourth Sunday before Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Children's Service	8am HC BCP St Martin 6pm Sung Evensong
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>		11am H C (Said BCP)	
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	The Third Sunday before Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	6pm Sung Evensong	11am Holy Communion
Sun 23 <sup>th</sup>	The Second Sunday before Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Sunday Club 6pm Sung Evensong (BCP)

### March

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Sunday next before Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	8am H C (Said BCP)	11am Family Service
Ash Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	(Services include imposition of ashes) 7.30pm HC (Said BCP)		11am HC (Said BCP)
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	The First Sunday of Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Children's Service	8am HC BCP St Martin 6pm Sung Evensong (BCP)
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Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	The Second Sunday of Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	6pm Sung Evensong (BCP)	11am Holy Communion
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	The Third Sunday of Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Sunday Club 6pm Sung Evensong (BCP)
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	The Fourth Sunday of Lent 9.15am Holy Communion	6pm Sung Evensong (BCP)	11am Holy Communion

**NEXT EDITION OF MAGAZINE Items for inclusion in the April/May edition should be passed to your parish representative by 5<sup>th</sup> March 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.

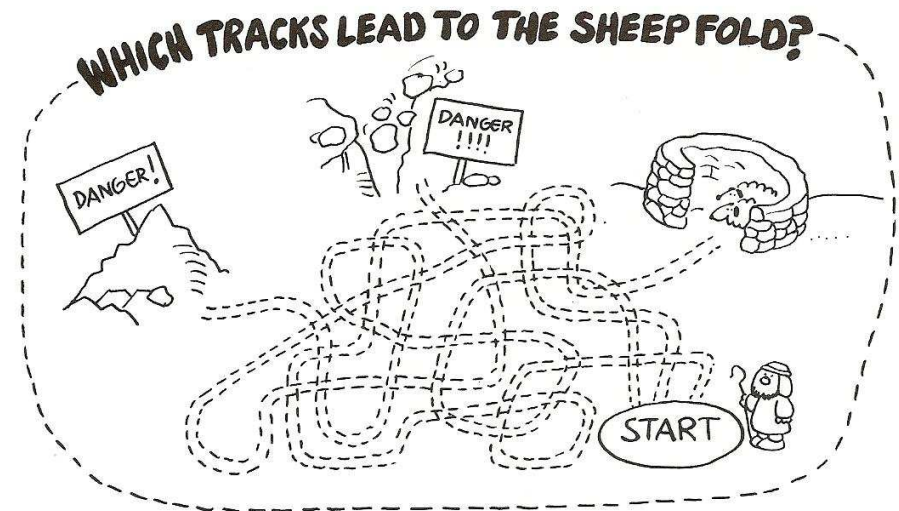
### PIMPERNE

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



# **BENEFICE NEWS**

## **BENEFICE WEATHER**

### **RAINFALL - November/December 2013 MEASURED AT LAZERTON FARM**

2013	Over the last 50 Years		
November	Highest	Lowest	Average
2.2.6in(57.3mm)	9.64 in(245 mm) 2002	1.02 in(25.4 mm) 2004	4.02in(102.2 mm)

First of all many thanks to those who took the measurements throughout the month whilst we endured the sunshine and blue skies of New South Wales. Here in Stourpaine, after the well above average October, it was, in fact, a pretty dry month with only one day with more than 10mm. Furthermore the last 10 days had no rain at all – a period stretching into December. Plenty of leaves on the trees at the end of the month but not for much longer.

December	Highest	Lowest	Average
9.83in(249.8mm)	9.83 in(249.8 mm) 2013	0.85 in(21.5 mm) 1988	4.45in(113.0mm)

Until the 13<sup>th</sup> of the month, there was only 0.4mm of rain and no frosts to speak of. The relatively high temperatures lasted to the end of the month but not so the dry; a series of swirling Atlantic depressions crossed the UK bringing high winds and significant rain interspersed with the occasional bright blue sparkly day – Boxing day was one such. The rain of 23 December (65mm) caused the Stour to break its banks and flood back up the Iwerne. Flooded houses in Havelins, Stourpaine were a sad consequence. The 23 December total though high, was, in fact 25mm less than the 27 December 1979 total which contributed to the deep flooding of Blandford. The December 2013 total was, however, another record total.

Annual Summary. As far as total rainfall for the calendar year goes, it was just above the long term average; but it was a year with a good summer, following 12 months of excessive rain, and a long, cold spring. Turning very wet at the end, 2013 left us windy, battered and soggy. For some, there is the prospect of trying to dry out their homes. For us all, let us hope for a better 2014.

**<http://stourpaine.info/benefice.htm>**

### **TOOLS WITH A MISSION**

A big thank you to all who have supported and responded to the advert for the above charity.

I thought you might like to know where your donations were sent.

This is a summary of the items dispatched during 2013.

72 treadle sewing machines, 4452 sewing machines including a sewing kit  
143 knitting machines and bags of wool, 563 tradesman carpentry kits  
912 student carpentry kits, 30 carpentry workshops, 385 boxes of haberdashery  
218 computers and printers, 478 motor mechanic kits, 38 metal worker kits  
57 leather worker kits. 428 typewriters, 94 plumber's kits, 272 builder's kits  
92 electricians kits, 132 bicycles and repair kits, 38 wheelchairs  
192 electric drills and accessories, 20 cubic metres of school books  
1100 scholar packs. 768 miscellaneous

We do go to other countries but under the umbrella of another charity that have people on the ground to distribute the goods to where they are most needed e.g. The Philippines. Thank you.  
*Sue Murison*

### **From the Parish Registers**

#### **Baptisms**

We welcome into the church:

Arthur Leonard Barry Robbins baptised on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2013 at  
St Nicholas Durweston.

Max Peter and Hannah Elizabeth St Quentin baptised on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at  
Holy Trinity, Stourpaine.

#### **Deaths**

We extend our prayers and sympathy to the families of:

Barbara Thelma Tournier of Portman Road, Pimperne  
died 1<sup>st</sup> December 2013 aged 89

Agnes Wilcox Pimperne 21st Nov. Poole Crematorium.

Doris Holman Pimperne 23rd Dec. Poole Crematorium.

Rose Buttress Bryanston 9th Jan Durweston St Nicholas Durweston

### **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](mailto:hibbertvictoria@yahoo.co.uk) to find out more."

The Benefice does not endorse any product or service.

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

## **DURWESTON & BRYANSTON NEWS**

Spring Concert: *Haydn's*  
**'Creation'**

**7.30pm Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

**At Durweston Church**

**Tickets £14**

*Tickets from:*

Set Fair 4 Trade, 22 Salisbury Street, Blandford 01258 453555 Maggie Peers 01258 472253; Lizzie Patterson 01258 830216

### **VILLAGE HALL NEWS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> JAN. FILM NIGHT. ABOUT TIME.**

At the age of 21 Tim Lake discovers he can travel in time.

**1<sup>ST</sup> FEB. ARTREACH PRESENTS "TOM LANGHAM'S HOT FINGERS"**  
Vintage acoustic string music from Paris to Buenos Aires.

**19<sup>TH</sup> FEB. ARTSREACH PRESENTS "THE GIRL AND THE SHOES."**

**21<sup>ST</sup> FEB. FILM "CAPTAIN PHILLIPS"**

**22<sup>ND</sup> FEB. CAST IN TIME PRESENTS "POPPIES RED AND CORNFLOWERS BLUE."**

**2<sup>ST</sup> MARCH. FILM "RUSH".**

**11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL. FILM "PHILOMENA."**

**ALL PERFORMENCES START AT 7.30 PM AND BAR OPEN 7.00 PM.**

### **CAMEO CLUB**

**11<sup>TH</sup> FEB.** Talk by Terry Payne on "Bees.

**11<sup>TH</sup> MARCH** Talk by Chris Barnard on Salisbury Cathedral.

All talks start at 7.30 pm in the Hall. Non members welcome £1.50 entry.

## **PIMPERNE HAPPENINGS**

### **NEWS FROM St PETERS**

In the Ryland Room

PEBBLES on Friday an hour of playtime for babies and toddlers while parents relax with a coffee

and chat. Every Friday during school time, 10.30 - 11.30 am.

For more details please contact Julie Loveless or Jaqui Torrance on 01258 480713

PEBBLES on Sunday An opportunity for parents to drop their children off at the Ryland Room at

9.10am and then attend the 9.15am service in church. Children re-join their parents for communion

towards the end of the service.

### **St PETER'S CRIB SERVICE**

Our Crib Service goes from strength to strength! This year the service was much enjoyed by eighty adults and thirty children many of whom dressed up and re-enacted the Nativity Story.



December £100. Margaret Latham £50 Angela Barker

### **VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNINGS**

Village Hall coffee mornings will resume on the first Saturday in February at 10am. If you wish to hire a table please contact Peggy on 452164. The charges now vary from £2.50 for a small table to £3 for a large table. The admission charge is 50p and this includes a cup of tea, coffee or a glass of squash and a biscuit.

**Please support our efforts to raise much needed funds for charity.**

***St.PETER'S TED BERETS ARE COMING BACK!  
THEY WILL BE MAKING A FLYING VISIT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR  
St PETERS DURING JUNE  
WOULD YOUR TEDDY BE BRAVE ENOUGH TO JOIN THE TED  
BERETS?  
Further information will appear in the April/May edition of the  
Benefice Magazine  
YOU HAVE TO BE A BRAVE BEAR TO JOIN THE TED BERETS!***

### **CAROLS ROUND THE TREE**

The weather was kind to us for our CAROLS ROUND THE TREE and approximately 150 people attended the event. Music was provided by the Stour Valley Band and mulled wine and mince pies were served by our hardworking volunteers.

### **St PETER'S JUNIOR UKULELE CLUB**

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

### **RYLAND ROOM LUNCH CLUB**

Regular home-made lunches are held in the Ryland Room every 2nd Wednesday of the month. For information regarding the February and March lunches please contact Margaret Latham on 489724.

### **St PETER'S JUNIOR CRAFT CLUB**

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

### **St PETER'S 100 CLUB WINNERS**

### **PIMPERNE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

As you read this I wonder how many resolutions for the new year are still being kept? The reason I ask is that a number of the pupils at our school have been very keen to see if I have been keeping mine (to find out, you will need to talk to one of the children!). I think much of the children's interest in keeping resolutions is based on our ethos and belief that if you agree to do something, you adhere to it and do it well. I do remember various members of my family as I was growing up, sharing anecdotes along these lines; I do think that it had a huge impact on my development - "stickability" as my grandfather used to say!

In the same way, when children join our school, whether it be at the start of their Reception year or part way through the primary school years, it is very important to everyone at our school that our children do understand the importance of commitment and giving of their very best. Stepping into our school, this commitment and performing to the very best of each child's ability is evident; we have had a number of visitors comment positively on this. What gives me the greatest pleasure though is when a pupil speaks with an adult and expects the same level of commitment from one of the staff or helpers; this is where we as a

school and community are really making a life-long impact on our future citizens, Pimperne's community.

Commitment for us as a school and the community in a wider sense is also something that I am very keen to see develop and grow further. As our new school slowly comes through the various build stages, it is for me, a statement of commitment to a stronger relationship between the school and the village. This commitment can take on a variety of shapes and sizes. I would be very interested to hear how and what our village community feel the school could commit to in the coming months and years; I know the school community has many ideas.

Easter, with all of its celebrations and treats, is not too far off; I wonder how many children and parents who agreed to give up chocolate in January will be able to resist the temptation? I think that even I may find it hard to resist a chocolate egg! Commitment though for us as a Christian community probably already has been tested during this time of Lent. At school we have been thinking about this important time in the Church calendar and what it teaches us, reflecting on Jesus and the stories in the Bible. The children understand very clearly now that resisting temptation and keeping earlier commitments is important, though not without challenge! As we move beyond Easter and look forward to the challenges and commitments required for the remainder of the year, I hope that our community; pupils, staff, parents, families, the village, remain committed and in support of our fantastic school and amazing children.

On behalf of all the Pimperne School community, may I wish you a joyous Easter

*.Mr. Jerome De Silva Headteacher*

“Senior Citizens Luncheon Club” – during the week for a special price. We meet every third Wednesday of the month at 12.30 at the White Horse. If you wish to join us, please contact Jean Chandler, Hod Cottage – 452330.

*Jean Chandler*

## **In aid of Holy Trinity Church**

**Come and join us for supper**

**7 pm Saturday March 1<sup>st</sup>**

**and an Auction of items and Promises**

**Stourpaine Village Hall**

**Tickets £10 - to include a free glass of wine**

**From Gyda 450649, Sue Atkinson 455778**

**or Sue Bosworth 454605**

## **STOURPAINE HAPPENINGS**

### **STOURPAINE LUNCHEON CLUB**

The Luncheon club was founded by Jocelyn Russell after she was approached by a resident who pointed out that she ran the WRVS club in Blandford - when we had nothing in Stourpaine! So Jocelyn started one herself and very soon she was joined by Doreen Powell and Jean Chandler.

This took place in the Village Hall with 25 members paying 35p for a set lunch. Some members stayed after lunch to play cards and have a cup of tea.

In July 2008 we closed after Jocelyn reached 94 and I am afraid no one wanted to take it over. In December the Landlord of the White Horse Inn invited members of the club to Christmas Lunch and said he was going to start a

### **Supper and Auction of Promises**

#### **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

We do hope you will want to come along and enjoy a delicious supper with friends in aid of our beautiful church.

For our auction of items and promises we are looking forward to welcoming back the entertaining Robert Warry to lead proceedings, and for just £10 you get a delicious home-cooked meal and a glass of wine.

Please consider giving something to help us make the evening a success. This could be an item or a service; hopefully the suggestions below will be useful, but if you have an original idea then even better! There will be a raffle as well, so any donations, whether large or small, will really make a difference.

We look forward to seeing you there (bring a friend!) and receiving your donations.

*What could I give?*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A taxi ride              | <input type="checkbox"/> Car wash       |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting services     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sport coaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ironing or<br>housework  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cake making    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bike servicing<br>lesson | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dog walking              | <input type="checkbox"/> ..... etc.     |

Please contact one of the following to book your tickets or discuss donations:  
Gyda Warren 450649; Sue Atkinson 455778; Sue Bosworth 454605

**Local MP Bob Walter's visit to Stourpaine Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January.**

At the request of Stourpaine Parish Council, North Dorset MP Bob Walter visited Stourpaine to discuss the Christmas flooding that took place in the Havelins. About 25 people turned up to explain their frustrations to the MP, plus Deborah Croney, DCC Councillor & NDDC Leader. Sherry Jespersen, NDDC Hillfort Ward, was also in attendance. Stourpaine Parish Council opened the proceedings by explaining the frustration of dealing with the EA who have taken 18 months and still counting, to produce a report.

The general consensus was that the River Stour should be maintained to a better standard to increase the flow of the river. The overall strategy, last published in 2012 should be reviewed, with local input. DCC should put pressure on the EA to listen to local opinion and react quicker and if possible, give local residents the ability to resolve local problems. Bob Walter agreed to discuss the issue with the Environment Secretary.

A meeting with representatives from the EA is now scheduled for late January. A public meeting will be held at a later date.

*Scott Norman Chair SPCC.*

**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**

**SILVER: For a donation of £10.00**

**GOLD: For a donation of £25.00**

**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)

**STOURPAINE GARDENING CLUB**

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

**Friday 14 March 7.30pm** Butterfly Conservation in Dorset, a talk by Nigel Spring

**Thursday 10 July** Visit to Hampton Court Flower Show. This will be a full day, arriving at the show 10am and leaving at 7pm when it closes. The coach will pick up at The White Horse Stourpaine at 7.30am, the cost will be £46. 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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## Free and confidential information service for the over 50's

Anne Wilkins and Phyllis Watt are Wayfinders who provide this support to anyone over 50 in the local area. We do this as part of the Dorset Partnership for Older People's Programme (POPP).

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.

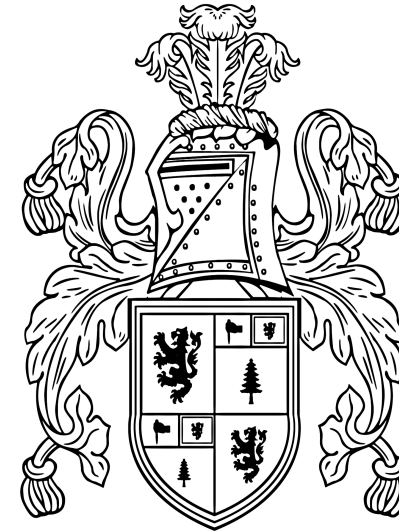
If you would like to speak to a

Wayfinder please contact:

<b>Phyllis Watt</b>	<b>07971 338610</b>	<a href="mailto:Phyllis.Watt@helpandcare.org.uk">Phyllis.Watt@helpandcare.org.uk</a>
<b>Anne Wilkins</b>	<b>07971 338258</b>	<a href="mailto:Anne.Wilkins@helpandcare.org.uk">Anne.Wilkins@helpandcare.org.uk</a>
<b>Central Numbers:</b>	<b>01202 946111</b>	<a href="mailto:wayfinderinfo@helpandcare.org.uk">wayfinderinfo@helpandcare.org.uk</a>
	<b>01305 548111</b>	

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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