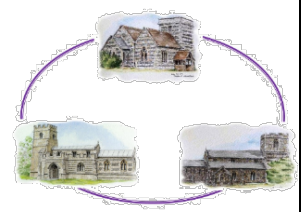




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## Pews News for 7th December 2025

**Contact your Church Wardens if there are any enquiries regarding  
 Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals and churchyard memorials)**

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**We are now in a period of Interregnum if you have any questions then please  
 direct them to your Church Wardens, contact details on Page 4**

### Services for the next week

Day	Time	Service	Location
<b>7th</b> <i>Advent 2</i>	08:00	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
	09:15	Morning Service	St Peter, Pimperne
	09:15	Breakfast Together	St Mary, Tarrant Gunville
	11:00	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Durweston
<b>Monday</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Zoom</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>20:00</b>	<b>Compline</b>	<b>Zoom</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>Morning Prayer - Celtic</b>	<b>Zoom</b>
<b>14th</b> <i>Advent 3</i>	09:00	Holy Communion	All Saints, Tarrant Monkton
	10:30	Holy Communion	St Peter, Pimperne
	16:00	Carol Service	St Mary, Tarrant Hinton
	16:00	Evensong	St Mary, Tarrant Gunville
	16:00	Village Carol Service	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

### Collect for the 7th December 2025

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power  
 and come among us,  
 and with great might succour us;  
 that whereas, through our sins and wickedness  
 we are grievously hindered  
 in running the race that is set before us,  
 your bountiful grace and mercy  
 may speedily help and deliver us;  
 through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
 to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honour and glory, now and for ever.      Amen

## Readings for 7th December 2025

### First Reading

#### Romans 15.4-13

<sup>4</sup>For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

‘Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name’;

<sup>10</sup>and again he says,

‘Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people’;

<sup>11</sup>and again,

‘Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him’;

<sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says,

‘The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope.’

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

### Gospel

#### Matthew 3.1-12

##### The Proclamation of John the Baptist

<sup>3</sup>In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’ <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.”’

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our ancestor”; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

11 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'



# Join us for our Christmas

## Coffee Morning



at



## Holy Trinity Church Stourpaine.

on

## Saturday 13th<sup>th</sup> December

10.00 am - 12noon.

Coffee cake and a selection  
of Christmas gifts for sale.





## DURWESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TREE & WREATH SALE

NORMANN FIR NON-DROP TREES & HANDMADE FOLIAGE WREATHS

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SAT 6TH DECEMBER 11AM – 2PM  
AT DURWESTON VILLAGE HALL

JOIN US FOR YULETIDE FUN AND FESTIVITIES  
AND COLLECT YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE AND  
WREATHS TOO!

STORY TIME WITH SANTA

STALLS

RAFFLE

CAROL SINGING

TURKEY AND BRIE FESTIVE ROLLS

MULLED WINE

SILENT AUCTION

KIDS CRAFTS AND GAMES

LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON



## Happy Christmas from St Peter's Church, Pimperne

Sun 21st December

4.30pm Carols Round the Tree



Outside the church with  
the Stour Valley Band,  
mulled wine & mince pies  
(Inside if wet)

## Christmas 4pm Crib Service Eve

All ages  
welcome -  
everyone can  
have a part!



Christmas Day

9am

Holy Communion

All welcome

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