

**The  
Quiet  
Space**



**Lunchtime Holy Communion** - 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12.30pm. Everyone is warmly invited to this reflective and informal service in the style of the Iona Community. Next date **18 March**  
Further information [www.thequietspacedorchester.com](http://www.thequietspacedorchester.com).

Dorchester Deanery Synod facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/Dorchester-Deanery-Synod-109579403746451/>

**There have been reports of someone purportedly collecting door to door for the church. Please dismiss any such requests. The C of E does not do house collections. Be aware of scams**

**Dorchester Goldmine, Thursday 12th March.** If you would like to support local charities while having a good meal in good company, come along to Dorchester Goldmine. People from all churches (and none) are welcome. Details are under St. George's because that's where it started, but we have spread our wings! To book or for more details, e-mail Steve Kinnersly at [stevekinnersly@aol.com](mailto:stevekinnersly@aol.com) (please put Goldmine in the title) or phone Steve on 260592.

**Christian Aid Lent Lunches. United Church, Dorchester**  
**Wednesdays 12.00-1.30 pm.**  
**11, 18, 25 March; 1, 8 April.**  
**Ploughman's Platter, Choice of Sweet, Tea or Coffee. Only £5!**

**Weldmar Book Club meet in the Weldmar Hospicecare Bookshop, South St, Dorchester. 5.30-7pm on Wednesdays 11 March, 8th April, 13th May All welcome**

**Riding Lights Theatre Company** are coming to **Dorchester Baptist Church** on **Friday 20 March at 7.30pm** to perform their acclaimed passion play "The Narrow Road" by Paul Burch. Tickets are £8 for adults and £4 for Under 16s and are available from DBC. This is not suitable for young children

**Rotary Spring Fair, Saturday 14th March 9.30.-12noon, United Church, South St.**

The Chamber Choir '**Cantamus**' will be giving a series of concerts entitled '**Miserere - Choral Music for Lent and Easter**' at St Mary's Cerne Abbas (Sat 21 Mar 7.00pm), Holy Trinity Bothenhampton (Sat 21 Mar 7.00pm) and Milton Abbey (Thur 2 Apr 7.30pm) Tickets **£10** on the door. (or for Milton Abbey on line at [miltonabbey.org](http://miltonabbey.org)) Refreshments will be available. For more information visit [www.cantamus-dorset.org](http://www.cantamus-dorset.org), or speak to Nigel Culliford (St. Mary's), Steve Kinnersly (St George's) or Judy Cowling/Kevin Drewitt (St. Peter's).

**Dorchester Strollers:** Monday 9 March 10.30am Coffee#1  
Tuesday 10 March 2.15pm North Square

If you need to communicate a change of information: for example the change of a service time that would need to be updated in Pews News, Parish Magazine or Benefice Website, please can you email using the following address;

[news@dorchesteranglican.info](mailto:news@dorchesteranglican.info) **Team Office This week: 9-1**

**Open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

**Closed: Wednesday**

**Team Office** [dorchesterpcc@gmail.com](mailto:dorchesterpcc@gmail.com). Messages 01305 250719.



# Pews News

St Peter's, St Andrew's, St Mary's,  
St George's, St Simon & St Jude

**8th March 2020**

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

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## Collect

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,  
that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted  
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things  
that are contrary to their profession,  
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Readings** Genesis 12 v1-4a Romans 4 v1-5, 13-17  
John 3 v1-17

## Post Communion

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
and inwards in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities  
which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Prayer during the week in Dorchester

**Monday**— 9.15am St Peter's St Mary's 5.30pm

**Tuesday**—St Mary's 9.00am

**Wednesday**—St Mary's 9.15am

**Thursday**—St Peter's 9.15am, St Mary's 5.30pm

**Friday**—St Mary's 9.00am

## Responsorial Psalm: 121

**Response: My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth**

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth. (R)
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble;  
he who watches over you will not sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep. (R)
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
neither the moon by night. (R)
- 7 The Lord shall keep you from all evil;  
it is he who shall keep your soul.
- 8 The Lord shall keep watch over your going out  
and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore. (R)

**Next week's readings:** Exodus 17 v1-7 Romans 5 v1-11 John 4 v5-42

### Prayers for South Sudan

Please continue to pray for South Sudan as many of its bishops hope for visas to enable them to attend the Lambeth Conference at Canterbury and events in Salisbury Diocese in July and August 2020.

## St Andrew's Church, West Stafford

8th March	11.15 am	Sung Parish Communion
Sun 15th March	11.15 am	Matins with Hymn singing
Sun 22nd March	11.15 am	Sung Parish Communion
Sun 29th March		No Service at St Andrew's

### Other Events (Please see Goldmine notice on St George's box)

Sun 8th March 10.00 am St Andrew's AGM in the Church before the 11.15 am Service  
Sat 28th March 10.00 am–12.00 Coffee and Chat in Church. All welcome  
Follow us on our Facebook page, St Andrews, West Stafford

## TEAM NOTICE BOARD

**On the third Sunday of each month a Taize service will be held at Winterborne Steepleton church. All most welcome.**

**Bible Study—Monday 7.30 –9pm. 30 Grosvenor Road, Dorchester**

**Contact Celia Robertson tel 257612**

**Men's Breakfast – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020.** Café on the Green, 7 Dinham Walk, Poundbury DT1 3WU is the venue for March's Men's Breakfast. They open especially for us at 9am and there is ample free parking in front of the cafe. For further details please contact David Elliott on 01305 259236, 07776 256537 by email at [davidelliott220@btinternet.com](mailto:davidelliott220@btinternet.com). All are welcome.

**The next Ladies Breakfast** will be at Carluccios in Dorchester

On **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March** at 9.30am. Look forward to seeing you there to catch up with all the news and to enjoy fellowship. Any queries please ring Maureen Shaw on 01305 261771.

**Prayer In The Community** *These prayer groups around Dorchester – intended for local residents – are open to Christians from all churches. The next meetings are as follows: Poundbury –at Flat 3, 5 Widcombe Street (speak to Mike and Angie Stear on 520811). Castle Park –at 26 Hillfort Close (contact Audrey Scammell on 261855 for details). Brewery Square Fri 27th March – at 5 Copper Crescent (details from Dick and Jane Howard on 261410). If you live in one of these localities, then do go along and receive a warm welcome.*

**THE MONDAY CLUB 16 MARCH 2020; 2.30pm ST MARY'S HALL, ALEXANDRA ROAD, DORCHESTER.** This month we shall welcome back Dr Francis Burroughes, who has given us several talks over the last few years. This time his talk is entitled 'Can you play Jerusalem for us?'. Francis has spoken to many hundreds of the Ladies of the W.I. across the West Country. Most of the meetings have been memorable for the welcome and hospitality he has received. However . . . sometimes the unexpected happens. Here are some of the funniest moments from the life of a speaker 'on the W.I. circuit'. He promises strict anonymity! Come and join us for an enjoyable and amusing afternoon; the fee is £2.50, which will include a raffle and refreshments. For further information, contact Jill (263757) or Rosemary (262615).

**MONDAY CLUB SPEAKER** We are very sad to say that our speaker for May, Jocelyn Jenkins, has died unexpectedly, and her talk on B & B will not take place. However, we are grateful to Rob Curtis, who has kindly agreed to step in and will tell us about Sherborne and its history.

**Benefice Website – Get Involved** The benefice website, <http://dorchesteranglican.info>, contains all sorts of useful information about what's going on in our churches. Most of the work to put it together and keep it up to date was done by Steve Ryder. Following Steve's sad death, it will be up to the rest of us to carry on his good work. If you would like to help (it's very easy, and you can do as much or as little as you like), please email me at [lucy@lucy-connelly.co.uk](mailto:lucy@lucy-connelly.co.uk), and I will arrange a short training session sometime in the next few weeks. Thank you! Lucy Connelly

## St George's Church

**Pastoral support:** If you are in need of any pastoral support or unable to attend church and would like home communion, please do make contact with Rev Reji or one of the church wardens who will be very happy to help.

St George's will again be having the **Easter Day Book of Remembrance**. This is a list of names requested by members of the congregation to remember those who have died in past years. Easter is a special time for remembrance and this is when the list of names is displayed in a book in alphabetical order. The book is on a draped table at the back of the church together with a display of lilies. Please write the name(s) on the sheet of at the back of the church together with the name of the person requesting it. There is a suggested charge of £1 per name to go towards the purchase of the lilies. The contributions should be given to Geraldine Moxham (if not available Dorothy Maggs).

**Dorchester Goldmine** will meet on **Thursday 12th March** at 7 for 7.30pm at the Walnut Grove, Durgate Street. The meeting is in aid of Dorchester Opportunity Group, a local charity, based at Prince of Wales Pre-school, that provides a safe, stimulating and caring environment for preschool children with a wide variety of additional needs and support for their parents, carers and siblings. For an excellent 3 course meal (for only £16), a short talk about Dorchester Opportunity Group and a chance to support financially this important work, either sign the list at the back of church, or e-mail Steve Kinnersly at [stevekinnersly@aol.com](mailto:stevekinnersly@aol.com) (please put Goldmine in the title) or phone Steve on 260592.

**St George's Lent Lunch.** This will take place on **Monday 16th March** in Church Hall from 12noon – 1.30pm. A simple lunch of soup and cheese with donations going to Dorchester Poverty Action. Everyone very welcome. Any queries to Dorothy Maggs (262436).

**Mothering Sunday 22nd March:** We will be making posies again on the **21st March** for Mothering Sunday. Donations of flowers or money to purchase flowers would be welcomed.

**Easter Garden:** We will be having an Easter Garden to display in Church. Contributions of materials ie stones, moss, small plants welcomed, plus anyone who is keen to help create it, let the wardens know.

**Easter Bonnet** competition! On **Easter Day (12th April)** after the 9.45am service we will be having an Easter Bonnet parade in church and prizes for the winning bonnets. Be as creative as you want to! Come dressed in your Sunday bonnet best!

**Petals for Peace:** Help us to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of VE day on the **8th May** by making paper flowers towards our petals for peace display. For more information, please see the poster in church or speak to Yvonne.

**St George's Day Fair** - This year the Fair will be held on **Saturday 25th April** from 1-4 pm. Donations of raffle / tombola prizes, Jams, Pickles, Books, Bric-a-brac etc gratefully received. We would also be grateful of offers to help on the day. If you need any more details, please talk to a member of the events committee. (Yvonne, Hilary, Val, Carine or myself) Thanking you in anticipation! Maggie Carter

**St George's Facebook page:** @StGeorgeDorchester

**St Georges' Church Committee AGM** will be held on **Sunday 29th March 2020** in the church hall after the 9.45am service.

## **This Evening: No service this evening**

### **Tuesday 10 March**

9.30am Holy Eucharist at St Mary's

### **Wednesday 11 March**

5pm Contemplative Prayer Group at St Mary's

### **Thursday 12 March**

10am Said Eucharist at St Peter's

10am Holy Communion at St George's

### **Sunday 15 March**

<b>St George's</b>	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion (Edward Chapel)
	9.45am	Holy Communion
<b>St Mary's</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	9.45am	Sung Eucharist
<b>St Peter's</b>	9.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist
<b>St Andrew's</b>	11.15am	Matins
<b>St Simon &amp; St Jude</b>		No service

**Please contact Canon John Wood (01305 268749 or email: [johnsamwood@me.com](mailto:johnsamwood@me.com)) with the names of those you wish to be included below.** This week, names that have been included for one month or more, and about whom John has no further information, have been omitted. Please get in touch to have them returned to the list if you wish. Our aim is to ensure this important ministry of Intercession remains up-to-date. You can also use the Prayer Request Book in your church to ensure individuals are remembered in our regular prayers.

### **For your prayers this week:**

Brianna & Braxton, Marion Tait, Linda Blundell, Hugo Lord, Elizabeth Butler, Norman Scott, Tom Goss *and those who are cared for at Residential care homes and nursing homes*

**Those who have died recently:** Arthur Boucher, Phyllis Lambert, Pam Lee, Barbara White, Georgie

**Those whose years mind falls this week:** Gordon Mitchell, Dorothy Pitman, Michael Watts, Peter Sheard, Philip Deane, Helen Downton.

**St Peter's Church** Service this morning at 9am: Revd Dr Jane Culliford

and at 10.30am: Revd Dr Jane Culliford

**A message from Ann Scott** - Thank you, on Norman's behalf for all your cards, messages and prayers for his recovery. He is making good progress and hopes to be back at St Peter's soon. Ann

**Agnus Dei:** Morley **Anthem:** Nolo mortem peccatoris

**St Peter's Church Lent Lunch in the Church hall -**  
**Thursday 2nd April** 12 noon to 1.30 pm. This is in aid of Dorchester Poverty Action

**The next meeting of the Theology Group is on 18th March** in St Peter's Church Hall at 7.30 pm. Michael Insley will lead a discussion on the Church of England report 'God's Unfailing Word' : Perspectives on Christian-Jewish Relations. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Eileen McLean [eileen.mclean6@btinternet.com](mailto:eileen.mclean6@btinternet.com)

**Electoral Roll Revision** - The Electoral Roll is being revised before the Annual Parish Meeting on 1 April. If you are not currently recorded as a member of the church on the Roll and wish to be included please return a completed Electoral Roll Application by 7 March 2020. Forms are available at the back of church or from the Electoral Roll Officer. Completed forms can be returned to the church or the Electoral Roll Officer, Jim McLean.

**Post 9am Coffee** – There was a good response to the first trial of coffee and biscuits after last Sunday's 9am service. We will be repeating it on 5th April; the first Sunday of the month.

**Annual Report and Notice of Meeting** – Copies of the Annual Report for 2019, which also includes the agenda for the Annual Meeting next Sunday at Noon can be collected from the back of the church. Alternatively, if you would like to receive a copy via email and save paper and printing costs, please email [davidelliott220@btinternet.com](mailto:davidelliott220@btinternet.com) with "Annual Report" in the subject space and a copy will be sent to you.

**Can you help?** – The agenda for the Annual Meeting includes appointments to the Church Committee and Sidespersons Rota. There are also opportunities to join the Verging Team and other groups. If you have some time to give, please speak to our Churchwardens, Val and Judy or email Val at [valrobin22@gmail.com](mailto:valrobin22@gmail.com).

**Confirmation** – If you would be interested in attending Confirmation classes, or know of someone who would be interested to learn more, please speak to Val.

**Church Cleaning** – Thank you to those who helped dust and polish. The next session will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

**Any items for Pews News?** Please contact David Elliott on 01305 259236 or at [davidelliott220@btinternet.com](mailto:davidelliott220@btinternet.com).

**St Mary's Church** *The Sanctuary Lamp is given by Ellie Stephens in thanksgiving for her grandson Sam whose birthday is the 16th March*

**Anthem: Lord for thy tender mercy's sake - Farrant**

Prayer Ministry will be available in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after the 9.45am service for yourself or others, or prayer requests can be put in the book outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**MEDITATION GROUP** on **Wednesday's** at 5pm. New members are welcome to join us for 20 minutes of silence.

**A craft group** meet 2-4pm in the choir vestry Monday afternoons. Contact Cynthia Fry on 573076

**Stations of the Cross—Wednesday 11 March at 6pm followed by Compline.**

The **Healing prayer group** will meet at 12, Lime Close on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March is our **Mothering Sunday All Age Eucharist** at 9.45am when flowers will be distributed. Everyone is welcome.

Our simple **Lent Lunch** will be held in the church on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 12 Noon in aid of Christian Aid.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March **British Summer time begins**. We have our **Healing Eucharist at 9.45am** when our preacher will be the Revd Janice Moore. There will be the opportunity for the laying on of hands and anointing for healing.

**Why is our church where it is?** The revised history of St Mary's from 1820 –2020 is now on sale at the back of the church for **£7.50**, in aid of St Mary's general funds.

**Our annual meeting** will be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, **only 4 days away!** Wine and nibbles from 6.30 with the meeting at 7 o'clock in church. Nominations are coming in but we do need **representatives on the PCC** (meets 4 times a year) **and on the deanery synod** with 2 meetings a year. We are poorly represented, numerically, at present which is a pity at this time of decision making. Please give some thought to this and, if possible, ask someone to put your name forward. And if you would like to join the team of sidesmen please tell one of the wardens.

**Please come to the meeting to show your support for the retired clergy, the wardens and others who are working hard to keep our worshipping community alive and well while we await the appointment of our team vicar.**

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<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Dorchester-672844449522662>

**Or:** Alternatively you can click on the link on St Mary's page on benefice website