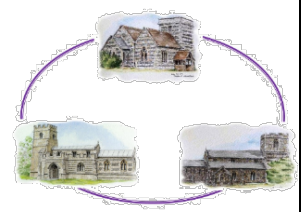




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## Pews News for 14th December 2025

Contact your Church Wardens if there are any enquiries regarding  
 Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals and churchyard memorials)  
 For Pews News please continue to contact Judy Jakes  
 Tel: 07957 607111 or email [psdbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:psdbenefice@gmail.com)

**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>14<sup>th</sup></b>	09:00	Holy Communion	All Saints, Tarrant Monkton
<i>Advent 3</i>	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
<b>Monday</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Zoom</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	10:00	<b>Holy Communion</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>21<sup>st</sup></b>	09:30	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
<i>Advent 4</i>	11:00	Family Communion	St Mary, Tarrant Gunville
	15:30	Carol Service	St Nicholas, Durweston
	16:30	Carols around the Tree	St Peter, Pimperne

### Collect for the 14th December 2025

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
 who at your first coming sent your messenger  
 to prepare your way before you:  
 grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries  
 may likewise so prepare and make ready your way  
 by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,  
 that at your second coming to judge the world  
 we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;  
 for you are alive and reign with the Father  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.                      Amen

## Readings for 14th December 2025

### First Reading

James 5.7-10

#### Patience in Suffering

7 Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. <sup>8</sup>You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. <sup>9</sup>Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! <sup>10</sup>As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

### Gospel

Matthew 11.2-11

#### Messengers from John the Baptist

2 When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples <sup>3</sup>and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' <sup>4</sup>Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: <sup>5</sup>the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. <sup>6</sup>And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

#### Jesus Praises John the Baptist

7 As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? <sup>8</sup>What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. <sup>9</sup>What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. <sup>10</sup>This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you."

<sup>11</sup>Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.



Join us for our  
Christmas  
Coffee Morning  
 at  
Holy Trinity Church  
Stourpaine.  
on  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
10.00 am - 12noon.  
Coffee cake and a selection  
of Christmas gifts for sale.



I helped get the church  
ready for Christmas. Why  
not come and see our  
knitted Nativity set.

### Village Carol Service

Holy Trinity Church,  
Stourpaine

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025

at 4pm



Featuring  
a Choir of Children from  
Durweston School

**All Welcome!**

Refreshments: Mulled wine and cakes



# 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 Eve**  
**4pm Crib Service**

All ages  
welcome -  
everyone can  
have a part!



**Christmas Day**  
**9am**  
**Holy Communion**  
All welcome

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## Xmas Lunch

Sun 7th Dec 2025

12noon - 3pm

£25pp

Bookings essential.



## On The Piste

Fri 12th & Sat 13th

Dec

8pm-late!

Bookings advised.



## Xmas Storytime

Sun 14th Dec

4-6pm

£3per child



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# Knit and Natter



Every third Wednesday of the month  
Pimperne Village Hall Committee Room

2-4pm

Bring a project or  
just come for a  
natter!

Next date: 17 December 2025

£2 entry  
includes tea/coffee and cake



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