

# PEWS NEWS

18 January 2026  
Second Sunday of Epiphany  
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## SERVICES

Sunday 18 January	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Loders
Sunday 18 January	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Powerstock
Sunday 18 January	6.30pm	Holy Communion	Broadoak
Sunday 25 January	9.30am	Holy Communion	Dottery
Sunday 25 January	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsbury
Sunday 25 January	6.30pm	Evensong	Askerswell
Sunday 25 January	6.30pm	Compline	North Poorton
Sunday 1 February	9.30am	Candlemas	Powerstock
Sunday 1 February	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Loders
Sunday 8 February	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Symondsbury
Sunday 8 February	9.30am	Eucharist	North Poorton
Sunday 8 February	10.30am	Morning Worship	Dottery
Sunday 8 February	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Askerswell
Sunday 15 February	9.30am	Morning Mediation	Loders
Sunday 15 February	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Powerstock
Sunday 15 February	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	Broadoak

Click on this [link](#) if you would like to see who is taking each service.



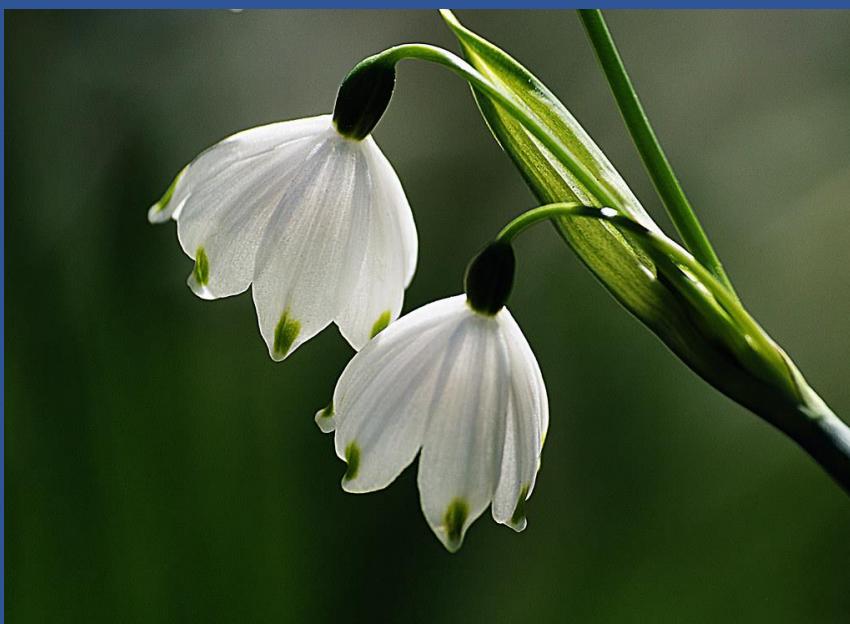
## *The Collect*

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your  
grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.



### [Keep On Rolling | Rev Chat Podcast 282](#) Encouragement in the darkest depths of January.

The Rev Chat podcast is back! Click on the link above to view.





Askerswell celebrated Plough Sunday last week at the Benefice Eucharist service and we have a photo of their fantastic display that even got a blessing!

### CAKE – WEDNESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

# CAKE



Our next café is on Wednesday 4 February

From 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Venue: Askerswell Village Hall, DT2 9EW

**Theme: 'Bread'**

[lizguard@ymail.com](mailto:lizguard@ymail.com)

Details and lifts from Liz Guard, Lay Pastoral Assistant, 01308 485463

*Everyone welcome!*

# Coffee Morning



WI Hall, North Street, Bridport

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 10:00-12:00



Come along to hear about the  
activities organised by your local  
National Trust Association

# THIS THING CALLED LOVE

A Celebration in Words and Music

St Mary The Virgin, Powerstock.

Saturday 14 Feb, 7.30pm

Come to a Valentine's Day event that explores this thing called love in all its many forms - sacred and divine, romantic and erotic, the love we feel for the people and things we value and treasure. This special evening features music and songs, poetry and drama.

**PETER NARDONE**

playing sacred, divine and romantic music

**LYME VOICES**

the brilliant local choir singing your favourite love songs

**BRIAN JACKMAN**

**ANNA PAVORD**

two local authors talking about their love of nature  
and the Dorset landscape

**THE PING PONG ORCHESTRA**

playing music and songs with a Dorset feel

**STEPHEN TILTON**

sharing the compelling power of plainsong

And much more, including professional actors performing scenes from  
Noël Coward's Brief Encounter and Private Lives

A raffle for a luxury hamper of champagne, fine wine and sumptuous goodies from

**FORTNUM & MASON**  
PICCADILLY SINCE 1707

Tickets are £15. All proceeds go to support our church and its work.  
There will be a licensed bar - and your ticket includes free tasty nibbles.  
Doors open at 7.00pm and the performance begins at 7.30pm.

To buy your tickets for the evening, and for the luxury raffle,  
call Matthew Solon on 07775 590 579. Email: matthewsolon5@gmail.com .  
Or knock on Matthew's door, Court Cottage, West Milton DT6 3SH.

## CANDLE WAX FOR UKRAINE

Liz Guard, Lay Pastoral Assistant, has started a collection of short used church candles and tea lights to pass on to the church in Poole that's collecting candle wax to send to Ukraine - where it will be used to create cooking candles and candles for villages without electricity.

Liz is happy to be the collection point and will wait until all the candles are taken down in our churches before they are sent off. If anyone has any personal candle stubs they would like to contribute, that would be great.



## WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER VIA ZOOM 8.00AM



Each Wednesday morning, Rev Chris holds a Morning Prayer Service over zoom starting at 8.00a.m.

If you are interested in joining this service, please contact Rev Chris by email ([revcgrasske@gmail.com](mailto:revcgrasske@gmail.com)) and he will send you a link, so you are able to join in. Thank you.

If you have any concerns that you would like Rev Chris to pray for, he has a list of people and things that he prays for every day and would happily add your request to that list.

To be added to his prayer list, send him an email or text message with “Say one for me” in the subject heading.

07977 136750 or  
[revcgrasske@gmail.com](mailto:revcgrasske@gmail.com)



### PRAYER TREES



We also have twisted willow ‘Prayer Trees’ in our four larger churches, where you can hang a prayer on the tree.

These are collected regularly and included in the prayers at ‘Cake’ before being passed on to Rev Chris.

# CHURCH DONATIONS



We now have facilities at Loders to take contactless donations and at Askerswell, Powerstock and Symondsbury donations can be made through QR codes.

We would like to thank everyone for their kind donations that help support our churches.

## LINKS TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND WEBSITE

[Our Facebook](#)

[Our Website](#)

If you have any relevant newsworthy items for inclusion in future editions of The Pews News, please send them to our email address below. Ensure they arrive by Thursday 12 noon so we can get them published the same week. Thank you.

## CONTACTS & INFORMATION

To receive your weekly **Pews News** and other updates from the Benefice, please email the administrator using the link here:

[Benefice Administrator Email](#)

**Neighbourhood Watch:** If you live in the Benefice and would like any help, advice or a chat, please contact the administrator who can arrange for someone from one of the local teams to get in touch.

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