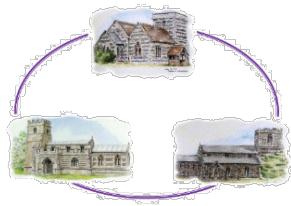




The Benefice of Long Barrow

Comprises of the Village churches of
Pimperne, Stourpaine, Durweston with Bryanston,
Tarrant Hinton, Tarrant Gunville and Tarrant Monkton



Pews News for 1st February 2026

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
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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 week

Day	Time	Service	Location
1st	09:15	Morning Service	St Peter, Pimperne
<i>4th Sunday of Epiphany</i>	09:15	Breakfast Together	All Saints, Tarrant Monkton
<i>Presentation of Christ in the Temple</i>	11:00	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Durweston
Monday	09:00	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	10:00	Holy Communion	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
Thursday	20:00	Compline	Zoom
Friday	09:00	Morning Prayer	Zoom
8th	09:00	Holy Communion	All Saints, Tarrant Monkton
<i>2nd Sunday before Lent</i>	10:30	Holy Communion	St Peter, Pimperne
	10:30	Hinton Half Hour	St Mary, Tarrant Hinton
	10:00	Informal Service	Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
	18:00	Evening Service	St Mary, Tarrant Gunville

Collect for 1st February 2026

God our creator,
who in the beginning
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,
shine into the hearts of all your people,
and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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.

Amen

Readings for 1st February 2026

First Reading

1 Corinthians 1.18-end

Christ the Power and Wisdom of God

18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

26 Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

Gospel

John 2.1-11

The Wedding at Cana

2On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Advance Notice: Planning for Soirees

SUNDAY SOIRÉES at 7.15

Sunday 15th February: Double Winds – Please see Poster
St.Peter's, Pimperne

Sunday 22nd March Jurassic Brass
St.Nicholas, Durweston

Sunday 19th April Dorset Guitar Society
St.Nicholas, Durweston

Sunday May 17th Vox Serenata (Vocal Quartet)
Holy Trinity, Stourpaine

Sunday 14th June Lesley Dinham – Mezzo Soprano
St.Peter's, Pimperne

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PSD MUSIC
2025
St.Peter's, Pimperne
Holy Trinity, Stourpaine
and
St.Nicholas, Durweston

Sunday Soirée at 7.15

Sunday 15th February 2026

St.Peter's Church,

Pimperne

(near Blandford Forum)

DOUBLE REEDS

Oboes - Sarah Holloway Shore & Sarah Oates

Cor Anglais - Clare Whitehead

Bassoon - Julian Lockett

Music by Beethoven

Ruth Gipps & Poulenc

Admission Free / Retiring Collection

(Profits to be donated to the church)

Sunday 22nd March

SUNDAY SOIRÉES at 7.15 at St.Nicholas, Durweston.

Jurassic Brass is a group of young players from the Poole Society of Young Musicians. This should be a very special concert and it will be in aid of a branch of the National Autistic Society with which Chris and Pauline Dowie have some connection. Watch this space for more details over the next few weeks.



JOURNEYS AND RESTING PLACES



Journeys and Resting Places Lent 2026

Our Lent course for 2026 is 'Journeys and Resting Places', written by Revd Canon Tim Heaton. Tim is an author and contributor to the BRF Bible Reading Series.

It is a 6-week course, for use by individuals or small groups, with the following themes per week:

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: The journey from Haran to Canaan

Week 3: The journey from Canaan to Egypt

Week 4: The journey from Egypt to the Promised Land

Week 5: The journey from Galilee to Jerusalem

Week 6: The journey from the gates of the Holy City to Golgotha

This course can be done individually, in small groups or in wider congregations.

[A downloadable PDF of the course is available on the diocesan website here.](#)

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