



PEWS NEWS

8 February 2026
Second Sunday before Lent
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SERVICES

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
Sunday 22 February	9.30am	Holy Communion	Dottery
Sunday 22 February	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsbury
Sunday 22 February	6.30pm	Evensong	Askerswell
Sunday 22 February	6.30pm	Evensong	North Poorton
Sunday 1 March	9.30am	Morning Meditation	Powerstock
Sunday 1 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Loders
Sunday 8 March	9.30am	Eucharist	North Poorton
Sunday 8 March	10.30am	Morning Worship	Dottery
Sunday 8 March	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Askerswell
Sunday 8 March	4.00pm	Contemplative Church	Symondsbury

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



The Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.



Do Not Worry? | Rev Chat Podcast 285

“Do Not Worry?” a comfort, or a bit of a ticking off?
Click on the link to view.

CHANGES TO OUR CELTIC WORSHIP SERVICES

Moving forward, we are changing our 9.30am Celtic Worship services over to a Morning Meditation service.

The new service format will have more quiet time for reflection, but the services will not be significantly different.



MORNING MEDITATION

+ In the name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit. Amen

On your path, O my God
And not my own,
Be all my journeying.
Rule this heart of mine
That it be only yours.

Hymn may be sung

Call for Peace

Deep within the still centre of my being,
may I find peace.

Pause

Silently within the quiet of the grove,
may I share peace.

Pause

Gently within the greater circle of all creation,
may I radiate peace.

Pause

A Quiet Day for Lent

**Lent invites us to slow down, make space and listen for God.
Why not give one day back to Him this year?
You may be surprised how much difference it makes.**

From previous participants:

**"It ministered to the soul."
"I found the day fed me."
"Just what I needed amid all
the busyness at home!"**

**Choose from one of
three Saturdays:**

**21 February
14 March
28 March**

These gentle and informal Quiet Days are open to all. They provide you with room to reflect on Bible passages in fresh ways, drawing once again on excerpts from Rageh Omaar's acclaimed BBC documentary series.

After exploring the crucifixion and resurrection last year, we now turn to the Gospel miracles.

In a small, intimate group, we have a chance to look at these familiar stories through the eyes of the first-century world; through Jesus himself, His disciples, His critics and those who encountered Him.

And reflect together: "What do these miracles mean for me today?"

Each Quiet Day includes worship, film excerpts, group reflection, quiet personal time, and a shared lunch. Weather permitting, there will also be time to walk the local lanes and enjoy sea views.

The day takes place at Revd Carole's home in Fishpond Bottom.

Numbers are limited, so to book your place or just to find out more
email: carolepeters@aol.com

BIRTHS/DEATHS/MARRIAGES

It is with sadness that we share the passing of Patricia Creed.

Her funeral will take place on Friday 13 February at 11.00am at St Mary's, Powerstock.

Coffee Morning



WI Hall, North Street, Bridport

Thursday 12th 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.



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) and he will send you a link, so you are able to join in. Thank you.

CAKE – WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

CAKE



Our next café is on Wednesday 4 March

From 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Venue: Askerswell Village Hall, DT2 9EW

Theme: The Lord's Prayer

lizguard@ymail.com

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

Everyone welcome!

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



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.

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[Benefice Administrator Email](#)

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