



BrookDean Benefice – The Parishes of Drybrook, Lydbrook & Ruardean

Notices week beginning 20.09.2026

16th Sunday after Trinity

This Sunday we come together at Drybrook for our Benefice Service of Holy Communion at 10.30am.

Revd David Sherwin will be taking our service this week, and looks forward to welcoming you.

Collect for the Week

Lord of creation, whose glory is around ad within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Readings

Our reading this week is:

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16

For our Prayers

We pray for those who are unwell: June and Malcolm Jones, Janet Marrott, Dave Perkins, Sue and Keith Thompson, Joan Stewart, Michael Wonnacott, Mary Webb.

We pray for those we have known and who have died: Dorothy James, James Martin.

If you would like us to pray for someone who is unwell, please do let us know by emailing their name (with their consent, and ideally including surname) to benefice-support@hotmail.co.uk. Names will be included for a period of 4 weeks unless otherwise requested.



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Celebrations

Revd Ros is celebrating her birthday on 22nd September – happy birthday Ros!

Doris Whittington is celebrating her birthday on 23rd September – happy birthday Doris!

Rob and Sue Young are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on 21st September; congratulations to you both!

Sally and David Parker are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on 24th September; congratulations to you both!

If you, or someone you know, would like to have their birthday or another special occasion celebrated in our weekly notices, please do let us know by emailing benefice-support@hotmail.co.uk

Benefice Harvest Festival

This year's Harvest festival will be on Sunday 11th October at Drybrook. Gifts of non-perishable items will be given to the Foodbank.

Service of Hope and Light

This year we will be holding two services to remember those we have loved and lost. These will take place on Sunday 1st November at 4pm at Drybrook and Ruardean.

Soup and Pud will be Back!

Ruardean's delicious Soup and Pud events will be back, at the village hall, starting on Tuesday 6th October, at the new time of 12.30pm.

These will then continue to take place on the 1st Tuesday of every month, with the exception of January 2027, until and including May 2027.

Unfortunately, with rising costs the new price will be £7.50.

Do please come and join us for food and a chat; St John's Church's Social Committee look forward to welcoming you!



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Deanery Confirmation

Bishop Rachel will be leading a Deanery Confirmation Service on Thursday 3rd December in the Forest area (venue to be arranged). If you would like to be confirmed, please speak to Ros.

Events

Every 2nd. Tuesday of the month - Meet and Eat at The Pludds, Village Hall. 11am – 2pm. A warm place to meet, chat and share. Light lunches tea, coffee and cakes. Further information from Sue Barber on 01594 861180.

Every Thursday morning, 10:30–12 noon - treat yourself to a cup of tea or coffee with a fresh slice of cake for only £2. Ruardean Woodside Village Hall.

Fridays, 10am -12noon - Coffee, cake and conversation. Ruardean warm space. Ruardean Memorial Hall. Post office van outside from 10 -11am.

Saturday 3rd October, 9.15am – Ladies Breakfast at St Mary's Newent. Speaker Rev Canon Ann Sargent, Diocesan Director of Ordinands, speaking on her faith and work. Price £5, everyone welcome.

Friday 16th – Sunday 18th October - RENEW Weekend. St James Church, Bream has hosted a special RENEW weekend every October for the last few years, and will be again this year. The weekend starts in the evening of 16th with a session of worship and teaching. Further sessions and lunch will take place over the weekend. Full details to be shared via a separate email.

Lydbrook Christmas Tree Festival

Rachel Mowatt has arranged a meeting at Lydbrook Church on Thursday 24th September at 7pm. This will start the planning for the Christmas Tree Festival. All are welcome!



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Euroclydon

A small group visit Euroclydon care home, currently twice a month, to hold a short service of hymns, readings and prayers for the residents.

Especially during the summer, people have other commitments and the group would welcome one of two more people to help with supporting the residents with participating in the service.

If you would like to be help, please talk to either Kathy Garlands or Jane Hulbert, or email Jane at jane_hulbert@sky.com

Next Sunday

Benefice Service of Holy Communion at Lydbrook, where Revd Ros looks forward to welcoming you.