



WEEKLY NEWS

Conversion of St Paul, 25th January 2026

Worship

COLLECT: Conversion of St Paul

Almighty God, who caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul: grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion may follow him in bearing witness to your truth; 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.

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 1.4-10 **PSALM:** Psalm 67

NEW TESTAMENT: Acts 9.1-22 **GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 19.27-end

PRAYERS FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BROADSTONE

We give thanks for our doctors' surgeries and other local health clinics in Broadstone, and the care they give to residents here. We pray that in times of economic pressure on resources, on the NHS and on other local services, you would support and uphold those on whom the burden lays heaviest.



SICK LIST We pray for Anne W, Vitalia W, Margaret S, Pauline H, Johanna E, Marie M, Anne L-B, Tony S, Linda S, Anna S, Mia W

RIP Christine Slater, Audrey Pearson, Dennis Ingram

YEAR'S MIND Pray for Bronwen Dutson, Ann Homerstone & James (Jim) Bull, whose year's mind falls at this time.

The funeral of Audrey Pearson is at St John's on Fri 20th Feb at 1.30pm.

News and Notices

NEW REFRESHMENTS AFTER AUDREY PEARSON'S FUNERAL The family would like an idea of numbers of people from St John's who will be attending refreshments at the Golf Club in Broadstone immediately after her funeral which takes place on Friday 20th February at 1.30pm in St John's Church. Please could you let Caroline know in the office if you intend on attending the refreshments for catering purposes. All are welcome. Many thanks.

AMENDED SHAPE COURSE The second session will run on Friday 23rd Jan 10am-12 noon / Sunday 25th January 3pm – 5pm. **Please note that the Sunday session will take place in the Parish Hall.** The third session will run Friday 6th Feb 10am – 12noon/Sunday 8th Feb 3pm – 5pm. Thank you. Rev Gary

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK Churches Together in Broadstone invites you to mark the end of the week, we meet at the Methodist Church **Sun 25th Jan at 4pm** for their Cafe Church.

PARISH OFFICE AND CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER will be closed on **Monday 26th January**, due to safeguarding training. It will also be closing at 11.30am on **Tuesday 27th January**. Sorry for any inconvenience this causes.

AMENDED GRAND SAUSAGE ROLL QUIZ Saturday 31st January at 7pm. Tickets are on sale at £5 from the office and after services. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. **LAST CALL FOR SALE OF TICKETS IS THIS SUNDAY** due to catering purposes.

POP-UP PUB NIGHT AT THE GOODS YARD There is another Pop-Up Pub Night planned at the Goods Yard **5-7pm on Wednesday 4th February**. Do join us. Some of the drinks are available as 2-for-1 that evening - usually the house wine and house beer, but do check when you order at the bar! Look forward to seeing you there.

NEW SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY this year will be kept on Sunday 8th February, when the sermon slot at both services will consider the theme of safeguarding, its theological premise, and what we can do to help. Safeguarding is not always easy to hear or talk about, and we do like to let you know which Sunday will have this as our focus.

FAITH MATTERS COURSE Revd Helen is running from February (6 sessions) - dates below. It's suitable for finding out more about the Christian faith, as a refresher on the basics of Faith, or for exploring adult baptism & confirmation. There is a sign up sheet in church. They are all Fridays at 10am (finish 12 noon). 13th Feb, 27th Feb, 20th Mar, 17th April, 1st May, 15th May.

ROAD CLOSURES DUE TO GAS REPLACEMENT WORKS 16TH FEB – 13TH MAR Ridgeway Road closed to all vehicles and no parking - no waiting at any time and no loading/unloading at any time from its junction with Dunyeats Road to its junction with Lower Blandford Road. Westheath Road closed to all vehicles from outside property No. 6 to its junction with Ridgeway.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE PARTY Tuesday 17th February at 7pm. Tickets are now on sale at £5 from the office and after services. Ticket includes 3 pancakes & tea or coffee.

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED FOR THE PANCAKE PARTY We will be having a raffle at the pancake party and are appealing for raffle prizes. Please note these must be **BRAND NEW** and unopened items, and well within date if they are consumable. Many thanks in advance for your help. Please bring items to the parish office.

ASH WEDNESDAY will soon be upon us, on Wednesday 18th February and there will be two Eucharists with ashing offered that day: one at our usual 10.30am and one at 7.30pm. Do try and come along to one of these if at all possible.

LENT GROUPS AND CHURCHES TOGETHER The usual CTiB Lent Groups will be running this year. The Wednesday evening group begins on Wednesday 25th February 7.30pm - 8.45 pm and will be held at the Methodist Church. The Thursday group will be held 10.30am - 11.45am at St Anthony's Church on York Rd, beginning Thursday 26th Feb. It doesn't matter which you go to each week, so if you find you can't make a session at your regular group, feel able to turn up to the other. There is no need to register with us that you want to come or buy any material this year as it will be provided for you at each session.

GOOD FRIDAY ON FRIDAY 3RD APRIL Advance warning that after our 9am Stations of the Cross at St John's, the CTiB Good Friday gathering will meet in St John's annexe from 10am, ready to begin / set off at 10.15am. We will make our way down Tudor Rd, Kirkway, and then along the High Street up to the Methodist Church, where the whole of the Good Friday story will be presented with hymns. Do join us if you can! St John's will then of course have its usual 2pm to 3pm Last Hour at the Cross service.

FEBRUARY & MARCH READERS Please sign up at the back of the Church, if you are able to read during the month of February and/or March. Once all the spaces have been filled, Caroline will send you the rota and the readings for that month. Many thanks.

USED STAMPS We are now collecting used stamps for a Bone Cancer Charity. Please use the bin at the back of the Church to place any used stamps in. Thank you!

A SMALL PURSE HAS BEEN FOUND We think it may have been left after an 8am service but we are not sure. It has a small amount of cash in it, nothing else. If you have lost a purse recently, do contact the office and if you can describe what the purse is like it is yours!

OFFERTORY LIST if you would like to take up the offertory on a particular date please let one of the sidespeople know to sign up on the list.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR NEXT OF KIN Do get your next of kin form in. Due to GDPR, it must be signed by you and your named next of kin, so we can store details. *Revd Helen*

JIGSAWS Please feel free to borrow the jigsaws that are stored in the north aisle, enjoy them and return them (please note any missing pieces).

PHISHING EMAILS Be vigilant re any emails you receive and do not give out any details, especially bank details, to anyone. Phishing emails often appear from legitimate email addresses, but often when you reply the email address changes. You can forward suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk or <https://www.gov.uk/report-suspicious-emails-websites-phishing>

SERVERS REQUIRED. We need new servers (those who carry candles and the cross during services) and **VERGERS** for funerals and weddings. Let the Vicar know if interested!

PARKING AT THE PARISH HALL If there is room, you are allowed to park but ONLY on church business. Park in a way that uses a genuine space and DO NOT block anyone in nor prevent emergency access to the hall by a vehicle from the gate. Ensure all cars are removed by 12 noon on Wednesdays if you have parked by the fence nearest to church / outside parish hall
Thank you.

STRICTLY NO ACCESS TO PARISH HALL ITSELF MON TO FRI 7.30am - 6.25pm
No access to the building for any reason whatsoever Mon to Fri 7.30am to 6.25pm. Many thanks.

RAISE MONEY FOR ST JOHNS WITH TRUST 130 For every new home insurance policy taken out with Ecclesiastical, they'll donate £130 to an Anglican church of the policy holder's choice. For info, contact Caroline in the office or call Ecclesiastical on **0800 7830 130**.

CORFE MULLEN FOOD BANKS Food donations can be left in the Church Porch Mon - Fri 10am - 1pm & Sun 11.30am – 12.15pm. All given to St Nicholas' Church Corfe Mullen Foodbank who provide food for Broadstone individuals & families, and vouchers to Broadstone/ Hillbourne Schools. They are grateful for what we bring but currently are short of: **shampoo, cleaning products, tinned meat/ready meals**. Visit parishofcorfemullen.church/foodbank to make cash donation or contact Sheila & Ken.

MESSAGE FROM FOODBANK We would like to thank you so much for your faithful and continued support of Corfe Mullen Foodbank. On several occasions when our shelves were looking rather bare, Ken and his wonderful helpers would appear with bags full of all the items we needed. They always ask what we particularly need and never fail us. This year has been hard for so many families and your gifts are so much appreciated. Thank you again!

HOLY GROUNDS COFFEE MORNING Free tea & coffee every Thursday morning, from 10am – 12noon. Come and enjoy a drink and a chat with old friends and new.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 23 rd Jan	10am – 12pm SHAPE Course led by Revd Gary in Northreach
	1pm Worship & Spirituality Meeting at Vicarage
	2.30pm Children's Work Meeting at Vicarage

Sat 24 th Jan	10.30am Muddy Church
Sun 25 th Jan	3pm – 5pm SHAPE Course led by Revd Gary in Parish Hall 4pm Churches Together in Broadstone closing Service for Christian Unity week at Cafe Church at Methodist Church.
Mon 26 th Jan	Parish Office Closed due to safeguarding training
Tues 27 th Jan	Parish Office Closing at 11.30am
Thurs 29 th Jan	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Fri 30 th Jan	10.30am LPA Meeting at Vicarage
Sat 31 st Jan	7pm Grand Sausage Roll Quiz
Wed 4 th Feb	5-7pm Pop-Up Pub Night at the Goods Yard
Thurs 5 th Feb	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning
Fri 6 th Feb	10am – 12pm SHAPE Course led by Revd Gary in Northreach
Sun 8 th Feb	Fair Trade Stall after 10am service 3pm – 5pm SHAPE Course led by Revd Gary in Northreach
Wed 11 th Feb	Parish Office Closed
Thurs 12 th Feb	8.45am Morning Prayer in Church 10am – 12 noon Holy Grounds Coffee Morning 7.30pm St John's Fellowship
Fri 13 th Feb	10am - 12 noon Faith Matters Session 1 in NorthReach.

WEEKLY SERVICES

Sunday Eucharist 8am & 10am

Wednesday Eucharist 10.30am

FURTHER AFIELD

BOURNEMOUTH WILLIAM TEMPLE ASSOCIATION Mon 2nd Feb, Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth. Starts 7.40pm but an optional dinner at 6.30pm beforehand.

DONATIONS FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS BIKES WANTED International Care Network (ICN) need bikes for refugees / asylum seekers in BCP. Do you have an unused but usable bike stagnating in your garage or garden? Contact Judith 07840490525 judithw0651@gmail.com

CHITTER CHATTER CLUB Every Wednesday, 2.30pm – 4pm at Cafe Gardenia.

TUESDAY CLUB AT BROADSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH We are open 10.30 am till 2pm. Please contact Ann on 01202 849136 for more information