



The Benefice of  
Eggardon & Colmers

# PEWS NEWS

22 December 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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## WEEKLY WORDS

### Rev Chat Episode 244 – “And the Wee Donkey”

Mary, Shepherds and the Wee Donkey.  
Merry Christmas from all at Rev Chat, see you next year.



Click on the link above to view.



***Collect***

God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## CAROL SERVICES

Carol Services are taking place throughout the Benefice over the coming days. We look forward to welcoming lots of old faces and some new.

Please note the change to the Loders Carol service from Saturday to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 6.30pm.



Friday 20 December	6.30pm	Carol Service	Dottery
<b>Sunday 22 December</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Carol Service</b>	<b>Loders</b>
Sunday 22 December	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsbury
Sunday 22 December	6.30pm	Carol Service	North Poorton
Monday 23 December	6.30pm	Carol Service	Broad oak

If you would like to see who is taking each service, click on this [link](#).

## Christmas Eve



6.30pm – Carol Service, Askerswell

9pm – Eucharist, North Poorton

11pm – Midnight Mass Symondsburry

11pm Midnight Mass, Loders



## Christmas Day

9.30am – Family Crib Service, Symondsburry

9.30am – Eucharist, Askerswell

9.30am – Holy Communion, Dottery

11am – Carol Service, Powerstock

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11am Sunday 29 December – The Afterfeast, Powerstock



### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have given us your only-begotten Son  
to take our nature upon him  
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:  
grant that we, who have been born again  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;  
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.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

*Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year*

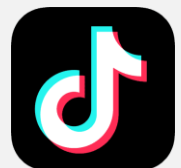


## REV CHRIS' TIKTOK CHANNEL



You can check the bite-size weekly chats on aspects of the Bible by clicking on the link below.

[Rev Chris' TikTok Channel](#)



# JANUARY SERVICES

Sunday 5 January	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Powerstock
Sunday 5 January	11.00am	Epiphany Eucharist	Loders
Sunday 12 January	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Symondsbury
Sunday 12 January	9.30am	Holy Communion	North Poorton
Sunday 12 January	10.30am	Morning Worship	Dottery
Sunday 12 January	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Askerswell
Sunday 19 January	9.30am	Celtic Worship	Loders
Sunday 19 January	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Powerstock
Sunday 19 January	6.30pm	Holy Communion	Broad oak
Sunday 26 January	9.30am	Holy Communion	Dottery
Sunday 26 January	11.00am	Benefice Eucharist	Symondsbury
Sunday 26 January	4.00pm	Songs of Praise	Askerswell
Sunday 26 January	6.30pm	Compline	North Poorton

## SONGS OF PRAISE – ASKERSWELL SUNDAY 26 JANUARY

Advance notice of a special Songs of Praise on Sunday 26 January at St Michael & All Angels, Askerswell at 4pm.

Your favourite hymns chosen by you, followed by tea and cake.

Please send the requests for your favourite hymns to Godfrey Lancashire, Churchwarden, Askerswell. Thank you.

All welcome.

## BIRTHS/DEATHS/MARRIAGES

It is with sadness that we share the passing of Celia Wilson. Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 21 January at 12 noon, St John the Baptist, Symondsburry.

## CAKE – WEDNESDAY 8 JANUARY



# CAKE

Our next CAKE café is WEDNESDAY 8 January (please note this is the second Wednesday in January, for this month only)

from 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Venue: Uploders Chapel, DT6 4NS

**Theme: New Year resolutions**

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

Details and lifts 01308 485463 All welcome.



## “SAY ONE FOR ME...”

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 [cgrasske@outlook.com](mailto:cgrasske@outlook.com)



## WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER VIA ZOOM 8.15AM

Each Wednesday morning, Rev Chris holds a Morning Prayer Service over zoom starting at 8.15a.m. If you are interested in joining this service, please contact Rev Chris by email and he will send you a link, so you are able to join in. Thank you.

## 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 Lodgers to take contactless donations and at Askerswell, Powerstock and Symondsburry 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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