

## Wilding the Churchyard at Upwey

Always pretty in the spring, our churchyard will, with careful management and help from the Dorset Wildlife Trust and volunteers, continue to be a haven for wildlife. If you would like to take part, ring Sally Pinhey on 813307.

## Harvest at Bincombe

The Harvest was truly brought home at Bincombe with as large a congregation as would fit into tiny Holy Trinity Church set on the hillside among the fields so well-tended by the Foot family farmers and their people.

To follow the rousing hymns of praise and words of thankfulness, we gathered in the Geoffrey McSeveny Barn to enjoy a feast of the gifts of the good earth - a hearty stew, fresh bread, apple pie and, of course, good cider to lubricate!

This was a Harvest Supper such as Thomas Hardy, and generations before, would have known – candle-lit, companionable and so comforting. Thank you, Judy and all your helpers.

## Thanks from St Nicholas' Broadway

Thanks so much for everyone who helped with, and came to, the quiz. We raised £206.10 for church funds and collected three large boxes of food for the Lantern Centre. Keep your eyes peeled for the next one!

## Food Bank

Our churches support the Weymouth Food Bank. Gifts brought to church will be passed on for distribution. If you feel the local food bank could help you please contact the vicar.

## USEFUL NUMBERS

Broadway Stores	812417
Church Team Office	837147
Horticultural Society	814887
Littlemoor Library	812350
Memorial Hall	814940
Reads Florists	812932
Reynolds Centre	812655
Smarties Pre-school	816421
St Nicholas & St Laurence School	812534
Upwey Bell Ringers	813757
Upwey Old School	812665
Upwey Pottery Group	812665
Upwey Society	753603
Upwey Wishing Well	814470
Wey Valley School	812534
Women's Institute	839220
Wyvern School	817917



## The Church of England Churches of

## Bincombe with Broadway; Upwey and Buckland Ripers Messenger and Reminder

Dear friends,

Welcome to this latest edition of the Messenger and Reminder.

My name is Philip Elliott and I am the vicar serving your four churches and the communities which these churches serve. If I have not yet met you; it would be great if in time to come we may get to know each other.

I hope you will find this edition of the Messenger and Reminder useful as we swiftly move into the festive season.

Christmas is a time when Christians celebrate something called the Incarnation. This is basically the idea that God came into the world to live as a human being alongside us. His name was Jesus and we celebrate this moment as we remember the story of the tiny baby in the manger.

The Good News of the Gospel is that God loves every single one of us more than we can ever imagine. I hope none of you will ever forget this. Christians believe that this is why God did all he did for us through the life of Jesus. This is something worth celebrating. That's why we celebrate at Christmastime. This

is the beginning of a new chapter of our journey with God.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all (in advance) peace and every blessing during this holy season and in the year to come.

With best wishes to you all

Philip

## WORSHIP IN OUR CHURCHES

**All are most welcome to attend our services at the following times:**

**Holy Trinity Bincombe**  
**Sundays** at 9.15am

**St Nicholas Broadway**  
**Sundays** at 10.30am  
**Thursdays** at 10am

**Fridays** at 7pm Fill-up Friday or  
Powerhouse Prayer Group

**St Laurence Upwey**  
**Sundays** at 10.30am  
**Wednesdays** at 10am

**St Nicholas Buckland Ripers**  
**1st and 3rd Sundays** at 9.15am  
**2nd and 4th Sundays** at 6pm

\*Please be aware that these are currently our usual service times but they may change on special occasions. For more information visit our website: [www.theweytojesus.org.uk](http://www.theweytojesus.org.uk)

Church Team Office: (01305) 837 147

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### HOLY TRINITY BINCOMBE

**18<sup>th</sup> December** 3pm

Carol Service

**25<sup>th</sup> December** 9.15am

Christmas Holy Communion

### ST NICHOLAS BROADWEY

**4<sup>th</sup> December** 10.30am

Patronal Festival (*this will be a combined service where our four churches will join together to celebrate this day.*)

**24<sup>th</sup> December** 3.30pm

Christingle Service & DIY Nativity.

**25<sup>th</sup> December** 10.30am

Christmas Day Communion

### ST LAURENCE UPWEY

**20<sup>th</sup> December** 6.30pm

Candlelit Carol Service.

**24<sup>th</sup> December** 11.30pm

Midnight Mass

**25<sup>th</sup> December** 10.30am

Christmas Day Communion

### ST NICHOLAS BUCKLAND RIPERS

**24<sup>th</sup> December** 7pm

Carol Service

**25<sup>th</sup> December** 9.15am

Christmas Holy Communion

## EVENTS

**5 November** 6pm

**Upwey Society BONFIRE**

at Westbrook Farm £3 and £1

### Coffee mornings

**Monthly second Weds** 10.30am

**9 Nov** 3 Beech Road

David and Sue Bruce- Payne

**7 Dec** 104 Church Street

David and Jackie Johnson

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**19 Nov** 11am

St Laurence Upwey Christmas

Fair at Upwey Old School

**6 Dec** 7pm

Concert by the Choir of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge.

£20 with supper. S.a.e. Judy Foot, Higher Ashton Farm DT2 9EZ.

Concert only £12 - if available.

**10 December** 7pm

St Laurence Christmas Supper

Tickets £15 from Maureen Carter 812723

**17 Dec** 11am

### **PIPE UP**

Budding young Organists will be playing at St Laurence.

No charge – all welcome