

Help Needed for unlocking and locking at St Michael's. We currently have a small team with people on the weekly rota too frequently. Please talk to Betsy Morley for further information.

Winter Fuel Payment– If you are in receipt of an annual Winter Fuel Payment but feel that you have no need of this support, would you consider Gift Aiding the amount to the church? These funds could be used to support our wider ministry to those who are vulnerable in our community. Please speak to your church Treasurer if this is something you feel you would like to support.

Remembrance Poppy Project

We are aiming to create a cascade of poppies from the Tower at St Michaels church as a 2020 Remembrance Day tribute. If you would like to join a group to crochet or knit the individual poppies (we needs thousands of them) then the first fortnightly meeting will be on Wednesday 8th January (see details in “The Week Ahead” . You may prefer to work on this at home which is welcomed too! Poppy crochet and knit patterns are available from the notice board at St Michael's

Residential Benefice Retreat

**13–16 February 2020 at Hilfield Friary, Hilfield, Dorchester, Dorset,
DT2 7BE– an international community of Brothers of the First Order of the Society of St Francis. Twenty places available, meals will be taken with the Brothers. Price £135 per person, including meals and accommodation;
help to cover costs is available if needed.
Please contact David for full details – 07468 527820**

Training for Communion Assistants and those who administer Home Communion in their parishes or would like to

Would ALL who currently assist at Holy Communion Services in their church contact Suzanne in the Benefice Office so we can create a list of those to be included in a 1 hr training session (date and time tbc).

Could all who currently take Home Communion or would like to do so do the same. Please be clear about which training you need ie. Communion Assistant or Home Communion or both.

BENEFICE MATTERS

BENEFICE OF LYNDHURST AND EMERY DOWN AND MINSTEAD

One church–three homes

**Living, Loving, Learning and Longing
in the power of the Holy Spirit**

Sunday 5th January 2020, Second Sunday of Christmas

Welcome to our services today.

If you wish to know more about the activities of our churches, please talk to one of our Welcomers, call the Benefice Office (8028 3175), or email us: benefice@newforestparishes.com and website www.newforestparishes.com

**The Duty Lay Pastor at St Michael's today is Peter Nicholls
Today' s Services**

9:30am Holy Communion StM

11:00am Morning Worship with Holy Communion AS

11:00am Northumbria Morning Prayer and coffee CC

Key : StM= St Michael & All Angels, Lyndhurst; CC= Christ Church Emery Down; AS= All Saints' Minstead

Today' s Readings : Jeremiah 31 7-14; Ephesians 1 3-14 ; John 1 10-18

Collect:

**God our Father,
in love you sent your Son
that the world may have life:
lead us to seek him among the outcast
and to find him in those in need,
for Jesus Christ' s sake**

SERVICE INFORMATION

Gluten Free Wafers are available on request when you receive Communion. If you would like to receive a blessing but not Holy Communion, please bring this sheet with you to the Communion rail. It will be our joy to pray God' s blessing over you.

The Week Ahead

The Benefice Office is only open next week on Friday 9:30am - 11:30am. The following week it is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:30am-11:30am

**Wed 8th January 10:30am Nondies
2:00pm Lyndhurst Knits -**

**Cecilia Mills' House,
3 Kings Close, Lyndhurst**

**Thur 9th January 9:00am STILL StM
7:30pm PCC Standing Committee AS
7:30pm Bellringers StM
7:30pm Bellringers AS**

**Fri 10th January 9:30am Church Wardens Meeting -
Vicarage
11:00am PCC Standing Committee**

StM -Vicarage

3:00pm

Kneeler Group AS

Services Sunday 12th January, Third Sunday of Christmas

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP) StM

9:30am Mickey' s House StM

11:00am Holy Communion CC

3:30pm Tea Party with Holy Communion and Hymn Singing StM

6:00pm Sung Evensong with Holy Communion AS

Next Week' s Readings:

Isaiah 42 1-9 ; Acts 10 34-43 ; Matthew 3 13-end

Dates for the Diary

**Tuesday 14th January 7:15pm Home Group recommences at
Whinwood, Beaulieu Rd. Contact
David or Peggy Heron for
information 02380 283154**

Information

**St Michael' s Church will be locked daily from 4pm. Christ Church
, Emery Down will be closed at 3:30pm. All Saints', Minstead is
locked at 4pm.**

Lyndhurst GROW & SHARE Project (in the porch, StM' s)

Fresh fruit and vegetables will continue to be available during the autumn and winter months. As well as produce from the garden and allotment, if you have purchased surplus fruit and veg, or are going away on holiday and have produce in the fridge, please

don't throw it away. All donations of fruit and veg welcome.

Duty Lay Pastors at St Michael's

Every Sunday at St Michael's there will be a Lay Pastor on duty.

This person is named in Benefice Matters and will be wearing a badge etc. If you would like to speak to someone after the service, especially about pastoral matters or need to know who to speak to about something else, the Duty Lay Pastor is there to listen and assist.