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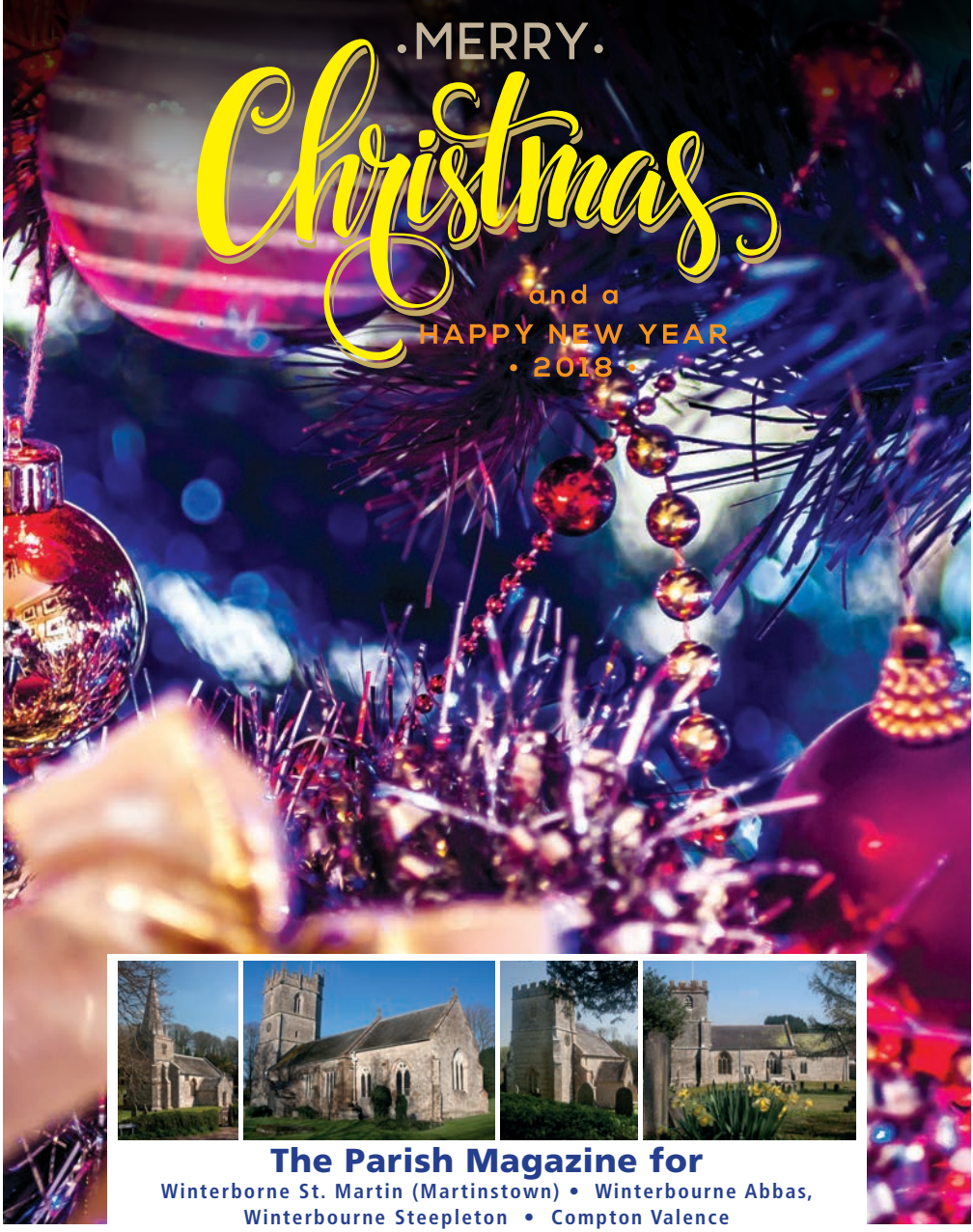

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I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Best wishes Karen Barrett

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"He who has not Christmas in his heart will never nd it under a tree."

Roy L. Smit

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The Vicar writes....

As I write this (mid-November) the shops are showing signs of Christmas with their lights, Christmas trees, cards, gifts etc, and soon the town lights in Dorchester will announce the glitz and glamour of this merriest of festive seasons.

When we think of the origins of Christmas – the baby Jesus born in a stable – it's strange to imagine how it could possibly have come to this - from poor beginnings to the buying frenzy we now know as Christmas. (According to the Bank of England a typical household spends over £500 extra in the month of December.)

I can remember as a child being very, very excited on Christmas Eve and was convinced more than once that I heard Santa delivering the presents. And Christmas is still a time of excitement and wonder for me, but for different reasons. I marvel at what God did for us that rst Christmas. He sent us his son to live amongst us, but more than that, he sent his son to be born, not in some grand palace but in a humble stable. God wanted to show us that Jesus Christ came, not just for the rich and powerful, but the poor and downtrodden. That is why the Christmas story of Jesus being one of us is at the heart of the Christian faith. God's love extends to the whole human race, and Jesus showed us the depth of God's love by willingly sharing in our poverty. Because He was born into a poor family, we know that Jesus understands what it means to be poor. He also understands the temptations and sorrows we all face, and he knows too the fears and guilt that trouble us.

In 2014 4.2 million Christmas dinners were wasted across the United Kingdom, according to Unilever. The gure is the equivalent to 263,000 turkeys; 7.5 million mince pies; 740,000 slices of Christmas pudding; 17.2 million Brussels sprouts; 11.9 million carrots and 11.3 million roast potatoes. These astounding gures are made all the more poignant when we consider those who have little, who worry about affording the extras that Christmas demands.

I marvel at what God did for us that first Christmas...

Perhaps when we do our Christmas shopping this year we might add a little more to our basket to donate to the Food Bank (any of our churches or Martinstown Village Store will accept goods and deliver them to the Food Bank) and in doing so celebrate what Christmas really means with renewed excitement and wonder.

May the humility of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the joy of the angels, and the peace of the Christ child be yours this Christmas.

Yours in Christ
Jean - Team Vicar

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Any of the above can be approached in the rst instance for Baptism, Marriage, Home Communion or just a visit and they would welcome being told when anybody has been bereaved or is ill. They have answerphones for you to leave a message.

If you want us to remember anything or anyone in the public prayer of the Church, we would be glad to do this as long as permission of the person involved is assured.

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Journey to the stable is an interactive experience helping to explain the true meaning of Christmas. This is ideal for adults and children alike. The journey takes 20 – 30 minutes. There are seven stations focusing on a person or a part of the Christmas story with readings and re ections. At each there is a small activity or object for you to take away, so you leave with a bag of re ections and goodies.

Open at the United Church Dorchester Sat 2nd Dec and Wed 6th – Sat 9th Dec 11-3pm. In the busyness of all the Christmas shopping, writing the cards and icing the cake take a few minutes to be still and re ect on what Christmas is all about.

Messy Church at Christmas

St. Mary's Winterbourne Abbas. Saturday 9th December
10am till 1pm For families of all shapes and sizes.

Please do come along and join with us for stories, activities, song and stay for lunch together.

Jo Lacy-Smith: 01305 889476

CHURCH CALENDAR DECEMBER & JANUARY •

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER – ADVENT SUNDAY

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER – 2nd OF ADVENT

08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	Martinstown
09.30	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown
16.00	Carols at the The Brewers' Arms	Martinstown

THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER

18.00	WVFS Carol Service	Martinstown

SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER – 3rd OF ADVENT

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown
18.00	Carol Service	Martinstown
18.00	Carol Service	Winterbourne Abbas

MONDAY 18 DECEMBER

18.30	Carol Service	Compton Valence

SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS EVE

11.00	Morning Worship with Baptism	Martinstown
15.00	Crib Service	Winterbourne Abbas
23.30	Midnight Communion	Martinstown

MONDAY 25 DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS DAY

09.30	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER – 1st OF CHRISTMAS

11.00	Bene ce Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 7 JANUARY – BAPTISM OF CHRIST

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 14 JANUARY – 2nd OF EPIPHANY

08.00	Holy Communion (BCP)	Martinstown
09.30	Holy Communion	Compton Valence
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 21 JANUARY – 3rd OF EPIPHANY

10.00	Holy Communion	Winterbourne Abbas
11.00	Holy Communion	Martinstown

SUNDAY 28 JANUARY – PRESENTATION OF CHRIST

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Many thanks - John Crawford

The MARTINSTOWN VILLAGE HALL Notice Board

MONDAY

Baby & Toddler Group	10.00am - 12noon	Contact: Lizzie Walden - Tel: 07949 639011
Table Tennis	2.30pm - 3.30pm	Contact: Margaret Hearing - Tel: 01305 889346
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	5.30pm - 7.30pm	Contact: Sue Gower - Tel: 01305 889388
Valley Club (3rd Monday in month)	7.30pm - 10.00pm	Contact: Pat Willets - Tel: 01305 568458

TUESDAY

Botanical Art Group (term times only)	9.30am - 12.30pm	Contact: Geoff Roberts - Tel: 01305 815735
Dance Group	2.30pm - 4.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248
Badminton	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Contact: Trevor Elliot - Tel: 01305 267897

WEDNESDAY

Pilates	9.30am - 10.30pm	Contact: Sammie McFarland - Tel: 07807 090013
Chair-based Exercise	11.15am - 12.30pm	Contact: Suzanne Fellows-Joyce - Tel: 01308 281882
W.I. (2nd Wednesday in month)	6.45pm - 9.00pm	Contact: Jan Grif ths - Tel: 01305 889738
Beginners Dance	8.00pm - 10.00pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248

THURSDAY

Art Group	10.00pm - 1.00pm	Contact: Betty Hoddinott - Tel: 01305 262217
Dance Group	2.30pm - 4.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248

FRIDAY

Keep Fit Class	10.15am - 11.30am	Contact: Suzanne Fellows-Joyce - Tel: 01308 281882
Bingo (Every other Friday)	7.00pm - 9.30pm	Contact: Ann Matthews - Tel: 01305 889248

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Martinstown Players Anouncement...

Back in February the Martinstown Players put on a panto in 3 weekends which from all the feed back received was enjoyed by the audience, players and organisers alike. To maintain this spirit it has been decided not to put on a performance in Feb 2018 but stick to tradition and put the next one in Feb 2019.

Instead the hall has been booked for Saturday 3rd Feb 2018 to host a Thespians evening for 'past, present and future' performers and back stage crew. The theme will involve an open stage if you fancy delighting all present. So put the date in your diary and give some thought to how you might like to entertain your fellow thespians.

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Please be considerate of our village/verges etc when parking or ring us to discuss your needs so we can advise you where to go.

We very much look forward to seeing you.

Please help me support Pilsdon Community this Christmas.

The winter chills and rain are upon us and harsher weather is expected, with this in mind I am putting out a plea for clean, lightly used men's clothes, new toiletries such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap and particularly disposable razors that I can pass on to the Pilsdon Community.

Pilsdon offers refuge, welcoming those from all backgrounds and walks of life. The community provides an environment of acceptance and friendship where people can begin to rebuild broken lives. Hospitality is offered to those who nd themselves in need, either simply for a meal and overnight accommodation for wayfarers and the homeless or for long term assistance following a crisis point in life.

If you feel you can help, please drop off clothes and toiletries to me, Sally Webb at Old Brewery House, Martinstown any time until Thursday, 14 December so that I can hand them on to the community before Christmas. If I am out please leave bags in the front porch.

Thank you so much and wishing you all a content and peaceful Christmas.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

At our November meeting we heard from Mike Crankshaw about his career as a cook on board the Royal Yacht Britannia. He described how elegant the ship was and how immaculately kept. Apart from being used by the royal family as they travelled all over the world, the many receptions held on board provided a great boost for British business. It was a very sad day when the ship was decommissioned.

Our Christmas Party will be on Wednesday 13th December. Please remember to bring a £3 wrapped raf e prize. Once again we will be collecting essential toiletries for the Women's Refuge.

We meet again on Wednesday 10th January 2018 when we will be discussing the proposed resolutions to be voted on at the National Federation Annual meeting. Please support our Quiz Night on Saturday 13th January and encourage your friends to come along.

Martinstown WI would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year and we hope that more ladies will come and join us in 2018.

Angela Barrett
Secretary

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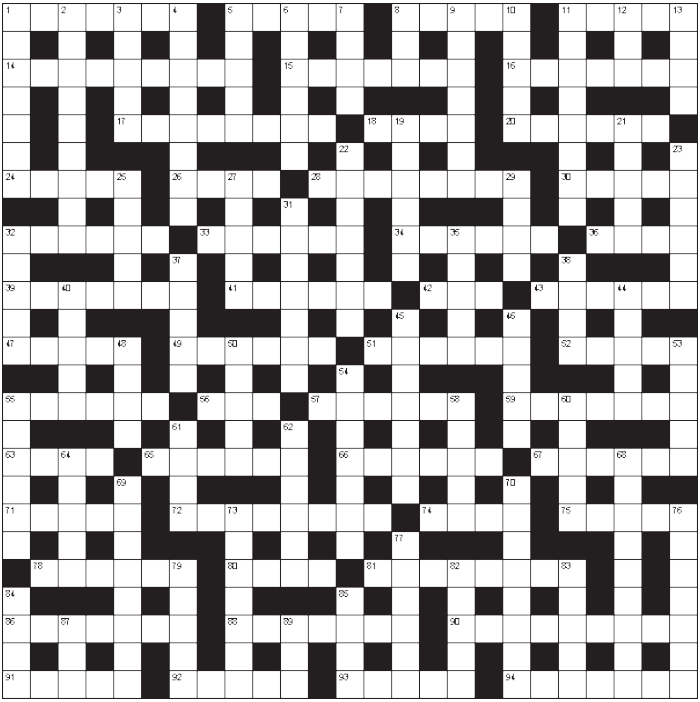

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Martinstown Mileaters OUT AND ABOUT • Lesley and Mark Pemberton

The rst day of November, 11 hardy mileaters turned up at the village green at the crack of 8.30am ready to tackle the 3rd part of the South Coast Path. After parking at the National Trust car park in Burton Bradstock we walked down into village to board the x53 bus to take us to Chideock. Safely disembarking at Chideock we headed off down the lane to join the coastal path. But a near murder took place along the lane when Stuart was almost scalped by a huge bramble thrown at him by Doctor Dave. Blood spurting Dr Dave could only offer a plaster. Tough old Stuart declined and marched on not worried he could be scarred for life or bleed to death.

Entering the car park at Seatown we could see our path leading us to heaven. There were several rather large 'ups' and some of us wished we had taken oxygen cylinders with us. Reaching Thorncombe Beacon, a well deserved coffee break was had. Making our way down into West Bay it had not gone unnoticed that only 7 of the 11 actually did the coastal path, the other 4 took the gentle scenic route around the cliff tops. Don't worry they will not be allowed to live it down as they know who they are!

Arriving in West Bay a little earlier than planned we hung around the public toilets before going into the cafe for lunch. Here we were joined by 3 other mileaters who, although the mind was willing, their bodies were not and we had a great lunch before the next big climb faced us. A great sense of achievement was felt by all as we reached the summit (Everest here we come). One more 'up' that was all we had left, but look who could we see descending down the hill towards us, Barbara and Ann. Stop, stop we signalled but no, down they came only to nd out we were going up that way. Yes the very last 'up' and we all would have jumped for joy if only we had had the energy. Never had our cars looked so beautiful, never had our muscles ached quite so much. But for those 7 who walked it all, stand tall and be proud, this is your certi cate of achievement, Well done. Your walk leaders, Lesley and Mark Pemberton thank you.

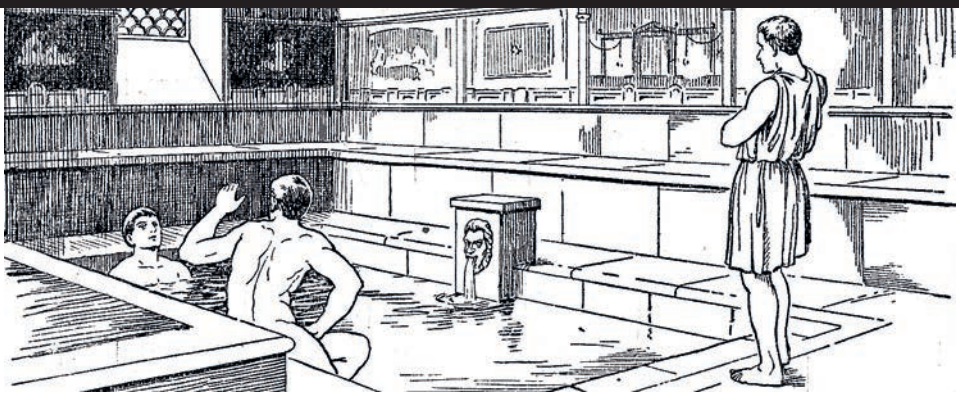
FRIDAY LUNCH CLUB 2017 DATE:

All are very welcome to our Community Lunch in the Village Hall on **8th Dec** To book, please telephone Ced on 889438.

We are always pleased to hear from people who'd like to be involved in any way, from cooking to laying tables. Please contact Jan on 889738 if you'd like to be involved – we do enjoy ourselves as well as work!

Roman Bathwater

by **Terry Hearing**



A supply of clean piped water may be called the first element of civilisation.

Archaeology suggests that soon after the Roman army came to the Dorchester area in the mid first-century AD they established a fort, built an aqueduct to provide clean water for the military, and then diverted the final stage to reach the growing civilian settlement which became Durnovaria.

It appears that the Roman engineers made three separate attempts to create an efficient system. The first was abandoned when the surveyors realized that the planned route would bring the water into the town at the level of the River Frome instead of at the Top o' Town. The second venture worked for about 100 years but deteriorated with poor maintenance. An ambitious replacement scheme was begun but never finished, presumably on grounds of cost. For the remaining 250 years of Roman occupation the citizens of Dorchester were left carrying buckets up the hill from the Frome, or digging wells.

The painstaking work of Dr Bill Putnam of Bournemouth University undertaken in the 1990s has revealed the source of the aqueduct to be at Frampton. The channel was dug, the bottom was covered with waterproof clay, the sides were lined with timber and a wooden cover placed over the top. Finally, a shallow layer of soil protected the installation. The watercourse itself was about a foot deep and nearly three feet wide.

The engineering included the damming of the Steppes Bottom stream in Frampton to form a lake. The silt sank to the bottom allowing clean water to be taken from the top of the dam. Then the channel was constructed, to slope downwards at a very gentle gradient of 1 in 1750 and to deliver a flow of about 13 gallons a second. To achieve this the route of the aqueduct had to follow closely the contours, and therefore it winds its way round the hills for about nine miles to cover a straight line of less than five.

The water probably arrived somewhere near the Top o' Town roundabout and was distributed to fort, houses and public baths by wooden water mains joined with iron collars. A public fountain would have been provided for general use, and today a small reconstruction in Princes Street commemorates the most likely site.

How clean were the Romans? Forty years ago part of a huge public bath complex was excavated, just south of Agriculture House near Waitrose. The extent of the baths is much greater than the size of the town would suggest – particularly when the bathers would necessarily come from those people with leisure and money. For cultured Romans and Romano-Britons the baths provided plentiful opportunity for entertainment, feasting and socializing.

There would have been a crisis when the aqueduct ceased to flow: presumably many slaves and menial servants must have been employed just to carry water. A piped water supply was not available again in Dorchester until the late 19th century. Meanwhile the villagers of the Winterborne Valley were well-served by the softly flowing stream…

Recycling, Rubbish & Garden Waste Collection Dates

December 2017

7th (Thursday)	- recycling and food	14th (Thursday)	- rubbish and food
21st (Thursday)	- recycling and food	30th (Saturday)	- rubbish and food

1st (Friday)	- garden waste	15th (Friday)	- garden waste
29th (Friday)	- garden waste		

January 2018

6th (Saturday)	- recycling and food	12th (Friday)	- rubbish and food
18th (Thursday)	- recycling and food	25th (Thursday)	- rubbish and food

12th (Friday)	- garden waste	26th (Friday)	- garden waste

* Please note at time of writing, latest dates for GARDEN WASTE over the holiday period had not been published by dorsetforyou website. These dates are based on normal collection dates.

For more information contact:

www.dorsetforyou.com/recycle

Dispose of your own Xmas trees... iiiiiiii

Dorset residents will have to dispose of their own Christmas trees this year.

The Dorset Waste Partnership will not be offering the free kerb-side collection it has previously carried out.

The group, which is run by local councils, says it is not obliged to collect the trees, which contradicts its waste strategy, ending up as land ll.

Residents will be encouraged to use their garden waste service, if they pay for it, or take their Christmas tree to a household recycling centre.

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Martinstown
PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on:

Mon 22 Jan 2018 at 7.30pm

The Old Reading Room, Martinstown, DT2

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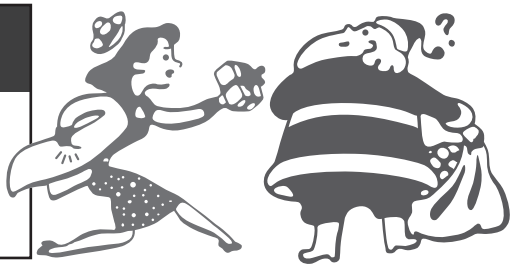

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3rd December at 6pm:
DARKNESS TO LIGHT - a service of Advent Carols and Readings. St Martin's Church, Martinst

6th December at 6pm:
WASSAIL - a fun evening for all the family. St Martin's Church, Martinstown

9th December at10 am - 1pm:
CHRISTMAS MESSY CHURCH - creating Christmas decorations, storytelling and free lu

10th December at 4pm:
CAROLS IN THE PUB - Brewers Arms, Martinstown

17th December at 6pm:
CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT - St Martin's Church, Martinstown

17th December at 6pm:
CAROL SERVICE - St Mary's Church, Winterbourne Abbas

18th December at 6.30pm:
TRADITIONAL CAROL SERVICE - St Thomas a Becket, Compton Valence

Christmas Eve at 11am:
MORNING WORSHIP, a service for all the family, St Martin's Church, Martinstown

Christmas Eve at 3pm:
CRIB SERVICE - St Mary's Church, Winterbourne Abbas

Christmas Eve at 11pm:
'MIDNIGHT' HOLY COMMUNION , St Martin's Church, Martinstown

Christmas Day at 9.30am:
HOLY COMMUNION, St Thomas a Becket, Compton Valence

Christmas Day at 11am:
HOLY COMMUNION, St Martin's Church, Martinstown

Carols and Christmas Services in December 2017

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Advent Craft Day for Children age 5+

Saturday 2nd December

10.30 am – 2.30 pm

at St Martin's Church, Martinstown

Tickets £1.00

If you would like to attend please complete an entry form, available from Martinstown village shop, the Vicar (Jean) or Dick (889410)

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, WINTERBOURNE STEEPLETON, CLOSED!

As many readers will already know, St Michael's church has had to be closed due to a fall of plaster from the ceiling and the risk of further falls. It is likely there will need to be extensive repairs but until the architect has assessed the damage the church will have to stay closed. The services that would be held at Steepleton will be held at Martinstown instead, as shown on the church calendar. Updates will follow from time to time as things progress.

John Crawford - Churchwarden

MCC Clubhouse Extension

Work on the extension to the Cricket Clubhouse is well underway. Club Chairman David Gargrave surveys the site which despite the usual variable autumn weather is well underway. Project manager John O'Brien is pleased with the progress and is intending to have the roof on by Christmas.

Volunteer Drivers Needed.

The Dorchester Opportunity Group is a pre-school Group for children aged 2 to 5 with additional needs.

It is a registered charity based at the Prince of Wales School in Dorchester.

We would love to have a volunteer driver/drivers who could help us for 30 to 40 minutes each day by driving our minibus to collect or take home 3 to 4 children usually in the Dorchester area. Just being able to do 1 or 2 journeys would be a great help.

Drivers are escorted by a trained member of staff. Drivers have to be over 25.

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	MTWTF	*	MTWTF	MF	MF			MF
Winterbourne Abbas	06:23	07:23	07:45	**	**			**
Winterbourne Steepleton	**	**	**	**	**			**
Martinstown Post Office	06:31	07:31	07:53	10:15	13:15		A-Line	13:00
Mallard Green	**	**	**	**	**			**
Poundbury QM Square	06:39	07:39	08:01	**	**			**
Poundbury Mansell Square	**	**	**	**	**			**
Dorchester Hospital	06:43	07:43	08:05	**	**			**
A-Line taxi office	**	**	**	10:30	13:30		M'town PO	13:15
Brewery Square	**	**	**	**	**			**
Dorchester South Station	06:57	07:57	08:15	**	**			**
	X51 Bus	X51 Bus	X51 Bus	X51 Bus	X51 Bus	X51 Bus		
	MTWTF	MTWTF	Saturday	MTWTF	Saturday	MTWTF		
	Term times							
Dorchester South Station	15:30	16:10	16:10	17:15	18:15	18:20		
Brewery Square	**	**	**	**	**	**		
A-Line taxi office	**	**	**	**	**	**		
Trinity Street	15:33	16:13	16:13	17:19	18:18	18:22		
Dorchester Hospital	15:40	16:20	16:19	17:22	18:24	18:27		
Thomas Hardye School	15:50	**	**	**	**	**		
Poundbury Mansell Square	**	**	**	**	**	**		
Poundbury QM Square	15:54	16:25	16:24	17:26	18:29	18:31		
Mallard Green	**	**	**	**	**	**		
Martinstown Post Office	16:01	16:32	16:31	17:33	18:36	18:38		
Winterbourne Steepleton	**	**	**	**	**	**		
Winterbourne Abbas	16:10	16:41	16:42	17:42	18:47	18:48		

*Above services operate Monday to Saturday, inclusive, unless otherwise stated at the top of the relevant column.
No Sunday or Bank Holiday services from 5 October 2017

**Not all stops listed above are on all routes. Times are shown where the routes are expected to stop, apart from Winterbourne Steepleton on the X51 service; however, times are not given on the operator's schedules.

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