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ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS: Littlebredy

ST PETER: Long Bredy CHILCOMBE (Dedication unknown)

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## FROM THE EDITOR

#### CAN YOU HELP?

The Editor of this august periodical will be going on holiday at the end of May, throughout June. He will therefore be away at the time the July edition has to be compiled. We are, therefore, looking for someone who can take over for this one month and put together July's BVN.

The deadline for the July edition will be 9<sup>th</sup> June and the volunteer (or conscript) who takes on the job will need to spend a few days after that, gathering all the copy together to produce a coherent document for the printer. This does imply the use of a computer with suitable software - I use a desk top publishing package, but it can be done with an ordinary word processor.

If you can help, please contact the editor (tel. 897953, e-mail valleynews@btinternet.com or the Team Office 898799 for more details.

## PLEASE NOTE THAT

due to the pressure of the extra holiday/celebration at the end of April, our printer has requested that the Editor's

DEADLINE FOR THE MAY ISSUE WILL BE 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

and not 14th April.

## FROM THE RECTORY THE RECTORY,

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## I HAD A MOMENT

the other day towards the end of an 8.00am Communion service at St Mary's, Burton

Bradstock. Thankfully, Mike was leading the Gloria when I froze in place, having nearly woken up. Of all the places to be so adventurous, perhaps the 8.00 at St Mary's does not leap out as being the most obvious, but it was so. All of a sudden and out of nowhere I knew myself to be on the point of waking up in the same way that I still do sometimes out of a deep sleep, and remember doing often when young. I am asleep, perhaps dreaming, but near the surface and becoming aware of where I am and what it will be like when I wake. Only this time, at the 8 o'clock, I knew I was about to wake up in hospital. I could smell it, hear the atmosphere and feel the cold. I felt too the frailty of being ill and of being lost and unsure.

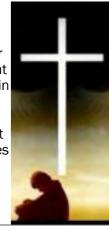
I was not anxious, only disappointed, and my disappointment was to realize that the last two years had all been a dream from which I was about to wake. "He woke up and it had all been a dream." is so very hackneyed. and I am sorry to inflict the idea upon you, but it was very clear. The last two years would now be a waste of time and the loss of a great deal of happiness. Now I was going to have to wake up and go through it all again, and it might not turn out half so well this time.

But for all it was a moment that left me disconcerted for some time. was a good thing to know, in an upside down sort of a way, at the beginning of Lent, that life and love is worth it: treasures that should never be taken for granted.

It will be a better thing to know with Easter round the corner that Christ rising from the dead is the promise of the true awakening.

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

On 29th April there will be as is usual on Good Friday, a three hours devotion in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, from 12.00noon until 3.00pm. For the first hour there will be prayers and the reading of the scriptures. What is to follow is not so usual in that the meditation will be led in poetry and music. We have had a generous offer from a string quartet led by Janet Lane to play a series of seven pieces of music composed by Haydn to follow the seven last words of Christ at his crucifixion. The pieces are themselves quite short and will be interspersed by readings given by Vicky Thomas, our new Lay Worship Leader. In between there will be space in silence for meditation during the time of our Lord's suffering. Bob



## POETS CORNER

## THE DAFFODIL

Why can't the noble daffodil enjoy the summer's sun?

Nature decrees it dies before new beauties are begun.

Why is it not rewarded for the pleasure it bestows,

After scenes of dark and cold, rain and frost and snows.

That which brings us pleasure through its grandeur and it's grace,
And sets us looking forward to new beauty in it's place,
Cannot stay to watch delight, and join the children's laughter,
With the many flowers that follow in the seasons after.

But unlike us, who seek perfection from our time of birth,

And know that death defines the pleasures we get from the earth,

The daffodil rests from it's life, and duty having done

Returns to burst it's beauty to awaken next year's sun.

Frank Whillock

Apologies to Frank Whillock. I was helping with the copy for the March BVN and omitted to put your name to the lovely poem you sent in "Snowdrops in a country lane" Thank you for sharing another poem with us.

Sandra Yates.

## FLEETING SHOW

This world is all a fleeting show, For man's illusion given ~ The smiles of joy, the tears of woe, Deceitful shine, deceitful flow. There's nothing true but heaven.

Thomas More

## LITTLEBREDY

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**EASTER** is about as late this year as it can possibly be according to the lunar calendar which governs the date. So we hope that the spring flowers will still be in enough profusion for the Church to be decorated as admirably as usual. That will be organised for the afternoon of Good Friday (22<sup>nd</sup> April), and as many volunteers as possible will all be very welcome.



**CHURCH SERVICES** will be the short and simple Litany service from the traditional Prayer Book on Good Friday morning, and an 11.00am Holy Communion on Easter Day itself, Sunday 24th April. It would be good to hope for a good congregation at either or both.

**THE WALLED GARDEN** will be open to visitors from 1.30 – 6.00pm on Easter Day, for the first time in 2011, and everyone is welcome to go and see what Liz and her helpers have been up to over the winter and spring. There have been rumours that an Easter Egg Hunt may be a feature of the afternoon, but nothing more is known about that as we go to press...

Even later in the month is the **ROYAL WEDDING** of HRH Prince William and Kate Middleton. Littlebredy naturally wishes them nothing but happiness and fulfilment in their future shared life together. Our own share in the celebrations will be as close to a street party as we can get, given that we have nothing approximating to a street. In the evening of the wedding day, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April, there will be a Bring and Share Village Supper in the Village Hall, and the bar will be open from 7.30pm onwards. Please could everyone intending to come contact David Lowe in advance (482767 or davidnlowe@btinternet.com ) to give him an idea of numbers and what you intend to contribute. (There may have to be some adjustments suggested to ensure a balanced meal.)

It would be good to think that everybody in the village that evening will turn out for this very special commemoration

ANGELA DUMBRECK. R.I.P.

Older residents of the village will remember John and Angela Dumbreck from their time in Littlebride from 1970 till 1988, while he was the Farm Manager here, and she was Head

Teacher at Portesham School.

When that came to an end, they lived in Winterbourne Abbas for a while, then retired to Trevone on the North Cornwall coast. After a very long period of ill health, and devotedly cared for by John to the end, Angela died at the beginning of March. They retained fond memories of Littlebredy, and to John, plus Robin, Trish and their families, we send condolences and best wishes from the village.

## LONG BREDY

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#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Our service will be a family Communion at 9.30am (Please note earlier time). The Church will be decorated on the Saturday and any help with flowers and cleaning will be much appreciated.



#### ST PETER'S CHURCH BELLRINGERS OPEN EVENING

If you are thinking about learning to ring church bells or just interested in what happens up in the church tower on Thursdays and Sundays, come along on Thursday evening, 5th May and find out. The Tower will be open from 7.00 - 9.00pm, so come and get your questions answered, chime a

bell and enjoy some renowned Long Bredy bellringers hospitality.

#### ANNUAL VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN

The village Spring clean has been arranged for Saturday 9th April, meeting at Maybryne at 10.00am. Gloves and bags will be provided and all our hard work will be rewarded by refreshments afterwards back at Maybyrne.

Do come along and spend an hour or so tidying up our village, your time would be much appreciated. If you would like further details please ring.



Gwen Kinghorn, Parish Clerk 01308 482270.

No diet will remove all the fat from your body because the brain is entirely fat. Without a brain, you might look good, but all you could do is run for public office.

G B Shaw

## **BURTON BRADSTOCK**

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#### ST MARY'S CHURCH

#### THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual Parochial Church meeting will be held on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm in the Church. Anyone who is on the electoral roll of the Church on the date of the meeting is welcome to attend.



Nominations are wanted for the positions of Church Wardens, Church Secretary, and members of the PCC. Nomination forms can be obtained from the Church Wardens (Mr Basil Dent 897125 or Mr Howard Bongers 898029)

#### THE ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

A presentation will be given by Sarah Oldridge entitled "Through the Seasons at The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and Wakehurst Place" in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm on Monday, 9th May. Proceeds will go to Friends of Greenfields and Bridport Memory Cafe.

There will be a raffle/cash bar/coffee and biscuits.

Tickets at £5 are available from Burton Bradstock Post Office, Greenfields Day Hospital, Veda Bull (01308 897609) or on the door.

Sarah has worked at The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew for over 20 years. She is currently the Adult Education Co-ordinator, which involves organising an annual programme of horticultural, botanical and craft related courses for members of the general public at both Kew Gardens and Wakehurst Place in West Sussex.

An evening not to be missed!

Veda Bull

## **SPRING CONCERT**

## ON 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY LAUNCHES BURTON BRADSTOCK FESTIVAL

The Burton Bradstock Festival of Music and Art will run from 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, promising a bumper crop of events to celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Tickets go on sale on 5<sup>th</sup> May in the Reading Room on the main street of Burton Bradstock.

Heralding the week-long Festival, a one-off spring concert in the Village Hall on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May (not 6<sup>th</sup> May as earlier advertised) will feature the

Festival's musical director David Juritz (violin) and Sophia Rahman (piano) performing, among others, Johannes Brahms' Violin Sonata No 1 in G major op. 78, and John Williams' Devil's Dance from the "Witches of Eastwick". Tickets (£10) for this event go on sale on 4<sup>th</sup> April and will be available from Gill Redford, 2 St Lawrence, Middle Street, in Burton Bradstock (01308 897203) or from the village Post Office.

Full details of the 2011 programme can be found on the Festival website, www.burtonbradstockfestival.com.

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE SOCIETY

"You won't need the extra chairs," said the boss as we arranged them in the afternoon before Major Robin Miller, late the Royal Artillery, spoke to the Village Society on the subject of the "German Invasion of Crete in 1941". "Yeah?" I thought, but did as I was told. Before the start we added the extra chairs, and more besides, for an exceptional turn-out that was all ears.

Contrasting his audience with one he had had at the University of the Third Age, where many listen with their eyes shut, Major Miller just knew we were noting every detail that was flung on the screen; many pages of it that we were able to read along with the absorbing lecture. The abundance of facts was daunting, and we were left gasping for breath; question time being

one of the longest we have seen (heard?) for many a month.

Crete proved to be a reckless battle for the Germans, who lost half their crack paratroopers. Yet the Allies suffered from the usual malaise, all too familiar these days: underestimation of intelligence and troops and inadequate equipment – few tanks, little artillery, shortage



of radios. Hitler, on the other hand, had been over confident, probably as a result of the short campaigns he had already waged against Poland, Norway and the Low Countries. The upshot was 4,500 Germans slain, 2,600 injured, one third of their aircraft lost, parachutists sitting ducks as they baled out. Brits: 33,000 captured; 3 cruisers sunk, 3 Elizabeth Class out of action; 9 destroyers damaged, the Royal Navy being hit very hard with 1800 dead. Forty seven aircraft were also lost. One of the consequences of this battle was that the Royal Air Force Regiment was founded to guard air bases.

Robin mentioned that it was still the case that Germans could not

always rely upon a warm welcome when holidaying on the island. To all those others who had not yet tried Crete as a holiday venue, he recommended "III met by Moonlight" as essential reading.

Philip Howse proposed a short, but eloquent vote of thanks and Valerie McRadio announced the Village Hall Ouiz on 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

The April talk will be "The World of Jane Austen" by Patrick Stokes, former Chairman of the Jane Austen Society, on the 15th.

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

For Bookings - Telephone 01308 897673 Burton Bradstock Village Hall Trust (BBVHT)

#### "200 CLUB" MARCH DRAW WDDC Licence no: SL0080 Congratulations to the winners:

£44.20 No 10: Mrs Doreen Bishop

2nd £22.10 No 117: Mrs Ann Brandt

3rd £11.05 No 131: Mrs Audrey Smith Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the April-December draws should telephone Alan Clarke on 01308 897051 and let him have £9 - one pound for each of the remaining 9 draws in the year. There are double

#### **BBVH - VILLAGE FAYRE**

prizes in the December draw.

The Burton Bradstock Village Fayre will once again be held in the Rectory Gardens on Bank Holiday Monday 30th May at 2.00 pm. Your support last year made this event a great success and the money raised has contributed towards the preservation project which the Village Hall Committee continues to undertake. This year's Fayre will mark the Hall's 80th Birthday so please come along and celebrate this wonderful old building's anniversary.

There will be many stalls and games with plenty for children to do and again they can test their speed and agility over a fun Obstacle Course.

In order to make this event a success we need volunteers to help with the stalls and games and we need donations for the stalls, the General Raffle and Bottle Tombola. If you can help in any way please contact Susan Moores on 01308 897673 and more details will appear in the May edition of the BVN. Susan Moores - Chairman BB Village Hall Committee - 01308 897673



Pete & Mary Toms wish to thank everyone who sent cards, good wishes, offers of help, phone messages, and visited Mary during her recent stay in hospital.

VILLAGE HALL TRUST

Registered Charity No. 1108201

She is now home and recovering. Thank you all.

#### **BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL**

#### VILLAGE CLEAN UP

There will be a Village Clean up on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Volunteers are requested to meet at the Reading Room at 10.00am and be allocated an area of the village to tidy up (basically litter). Bags, gloves and HI Visual tabards are available. The Clean up will finish at 11.00am.



#### LOCAL ELECTIONS MAY 5TH 2011

Do you want to be a local Councillor and support your local community? Local elections will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Nomination papers will be available from 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011. Contact Fel Moore (Clerk) for further details and information on the role of a local councillor.

Fel Moore Clerk to the Council.

## SHIPTON GORGE

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#### ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH

GOOD FRIDAY - 22nd April

There will be a quiet said service of Morning Prayer and the Litany at 9.30am led by Mrs. Janet Lane.



#### EASTER SUNDAY - 24th April

A Family Communion will be held at 11.00am led by Rev. Ryder Rogers and Mr. James Webster.

Gillian Maxfield

#### PLAYING FIELD MAINTENANCE

We are having a tidy up of the playing field on Saturday 9th April from 10.00am until noon. Any help you can give would be very much appreciated - tasks include touching up paint work, preserving fences and cutting back hedging.

\*\*PC Playing Field Committee\*\*

#### VILLAGE SOCIETY

The Village Society AGM was held in the Village Hall on Friday  $4^{\text{th}}$  February.

All villagers are members of the Society and entitled to vote for the committee. Those elected were:

Chairman: John Kent Secretary: Liz Gates

Treasurer: Ed Buck Events Manager: Sally Parker

Committee Members: Linda Stockwell, Phyl Webster, David Curtis, Terry Hunt and Simon Cleveland.

Many of the committee have been in post for quite a while, and we are in need of new blood, new energy and new ideas – can you help? We are a friendly and non-threatening group of people who have fun trying to do fun things for the village. If you would like to join the group, now, or in the future, please contact a member of the committee.

The **SOUP AND PUDS QUIZ** was well attended and all agreed that the food, organised by Liz Gates, Sally Parker and Linda Stockwell, was excellent. Several requests for recipes have been received! Well done, too, to Simon Cleveland for some real brain teasers (particularly the round where we had to remember what had happened at Christmas – really taxing!). Thank you all for the hard work which made such a successful evening. Our next event is a village celebration of the Royal Wedding on April 29th – look out for details around the village or ring Sally Parker on 897168.

The COFFEE MORNING held on 25<sup>th</sup> February in aid of Save the Children Fund and the Bride Valley Ladies Choir, raised £262. 90p. Many thanks to all our willing helpers and visitors - it was a most enjoyable morning.

Janet Lane

#### TUDOR WOMEN – REVISITED

A second talk by Historical Novelist Suzannah Dunn whose books include "The Sixth Wife" and "The Confession of Katherine Howard".

Following Suzannah's fascinating talk in December 2010, she's back for a sequel by popular request! Her talk will be full of insights and stories about Tudor Women's lives. It will raise much-needed funds for Womankind Worldwide charity, which has a Supporters Group here in West Dorset.

Shipton Gorge Village Hall, Wednesday, May 4th,f from .7.30pm. Tickets £5 to include a glass of wine. There will also be a Raffle & Second-Hand stall. To book, ring Jo and Carol on 897295 or e-mail apple.loft@btinternet.com

There are two great rules of life, the one general and the other particular. The first is that everyone can in the end, get what he wants, if he only tries. That is the general rule.

The particular rule is that every individual is, more or less, an exception to the rule.

Samuel Butler (1835 - 1902)

## SWYRE

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## **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SWYRE**

#### **CHURCH YARD WORKING PARTY**

Our next morning working party will be on Saturday 9th April from 10.00am when we will meet up with friends to improve the state of our churchyard. This is the same date as our

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coffee morning so refreshments will be available in the Church. A start has been made but much will need to be done over the season and it would be good to see you all there.

#### MOTHERING SUNDAY

This will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and this year we invite you all to tea and cake in the Church at 5.00pm. This informal tea social event will be followed by our Mothering Sunday service starting at 6.30pm which will include the distribution of posies to all ladies in the congregation.

#### SPRING COFFEE MORNING

Our first coffee morning of the year is to be held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am. We will have our usual cakes, produce, books and teas etc. We do hope you will all be able to come and support us. Funds will be donated to the Dorset Historic Churches Trust who generously gave us a grant last year towards some of the cost of roof and gutter repairs. It is hoped that they may well be able to attend this event to talk to you about their important support given to our ancient Churches.

David Buckland

#### PUNCKNOWLE & SWYRE VILLAGE HALL

For bookings, telephone 01308 897724/897751

#### VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

Rather belatedly, I'm afraid, here are the winners of the last three month's draws:

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CHRISTMAS	Valerie Martin	£75
	Jean Ham	£25
	John Bennett	£15
	May Yeates	£10
JANUARY	Ellie Pearson	£15
	Chris Gregory	£10



FEBRUARY Avril Upjohn £15

Madeline Marshall £10

There are still numbers available and anybody wishing to join the draw should pick up a form from the Village Hall, download one from the Village Website (www.puncknowle.net/?page\_id=268) or contact Rob Reeks on 897633.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

BOOK CLUB: 6<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm TABLE TOP SALE: 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2.30pm

HOME WATCH MEETING: 11th April, 7.30pm

EASTER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP: 20th April, 2.00pm

EASTER PICNIC: 21st April, 12.00noon PSWB LUNCH CLUB: 19th April, 12.30pm ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY: 19th April, 7.30pm

ROYAL WEDDING PARTY: by Crown Puncknowle Fundraisers, 4.00pm

on 29th April

For more detail see entries in Puncknowle & West Bexington section.

## PUNCKNOWLE & W. BEXINGTON

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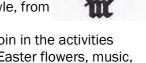
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#### ST. MARY'S CHURCH

#### CHILDREN'S EASTER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

will be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April (not 19<sup>th</sup> as advertised last month) in the Village Hall in Puncknowle, from 2.00 - 4.30pm.



Children of all ages are welcome to come and join in the activities centred round the Easter Story, including art & craft, Easter flowers, music, singing, games and refreshments.

Pre-school children must be accompanied by an adult. Pick up a registration slip from Thorner's or Burton Bradstock School before the end of term, or contact Sue Brown, 897953, email sue.brown@btinternet.com.

We are hoping to use some of the music at the Family Communion Service on Easter Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April, and to use the flowers to make an Easter Garden at the Church.

#### THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

will be held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April after Evensong at 5.00pm, to elect the two Churchwardens. Nominations to be received by 9<sup>th</sup> April. Forms will

be at the back of the Church. There will be a glass of wine between evensong and the meeting, which should start just before 6pm. It is hoped that all those on the Electoral Roll will be able to be there.

#### ST MARY'S CHURCH FETE

Will be held in Puncknowle Manor Grounds on Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup> by kind permission of Jim Wilde. Put the date in your diary now!

If you would like to get involved with the planning or be a stallholder, or have any views or new ideas for about the running of the fete please email or talk to: Geoffrey Fry, Sue Brown, Linda Jeffreys, Liz Slater or Coo Jones.

#### TABLE TOP SALE

**NEW DATE** - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April in the Village Hall at 2.30pm. Only £5 to book a table - have a Spring Clearout!

Ring Carol on 897771 to book a table.

#### **EASTER PICNIC**

Come along for a picnic in the Playing Field on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 12.00 - 2.00pm - - bring your own picnic - and join in the hunt for Easter Eggs (children!) plus Easter Raffle (parents).

#### THE CROWN PUNCKNOWLE FUNDRAISERS

We would like to invite children under 14 years, from Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington to a party in the Village hall on Friday  $29^{th}$  April, from 4.00pm to 6.00pm to celebrate the wedding of Catherine and William.



Invitations will be sent at the beginning of April. Pre-school children must be accompanied by an adult.

Donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated, please contact Brenda 897764 or Sandy 897732.

#### DISCO - BALLOON MODELLING - HAT COMPETITION - PARTY FOOD

This is to thank everyone who have supported the Fundraisers over the past 18 years and have generously given to the causes we have donated to.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

This month, on April 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be discussing a worldwide best-seller, **"Imperium"** by Robert Harris, which is about the struggle for power in ancient Rome.

Members all choose books from a list supplied by Bridport Library, they then round up enough copies for us to read. We also choose a type of book of our own to bring along to talk about. For more information contact Carol on 897771.

#### PUNCKNOWLE ART GROUP

At our 'easy drawing' session we examined the usefulness of negative space amongst other aids to drawing quickly and easily. Our next meeting - 'Fibonacci with scissors and glue' was fascinating and gave rise to any number of patterns and designs. Thank you Elsa for all your patient help.

April 1<sup>st</sup> will be a workshop in Puncknowle village hall with Jane Huxtable - Brown. The 15<sup>th</sup> will be back at The Bull. *Christine Molony* 

#### PUNCKNOWLE SWYRE & W. BEXINGTON LUNCH CLUB



Although this club for the over Fifties has been going very successfully for over three years, the club could benefit from having more volunteers to help in running the monthly lunches. Each month the volunteers say what they will do at the next meal such as putting up the tables, laying out the cutlery, providing the flowers, pouring out the tea and coffee,

helping to prepare the vegetables or cooking part of the meal. Nobody is forced or expected to do anything they do not wish to do. In that way our volunteers have remained contented and are proud of what has been achieved. So if you would like to join our happy band or think you can help in any way, please contact Ken on 897622 for further information.

The next lunch will be on 19<sup>th</sup> April. Members who were not at the last meal should telephone 897622 to order their next meal, and anyone who wants to join the club should contact the same number.

## THANKS

A fantastic night was had at The Crown Inn at Puncknowle on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2011. My beard was shaved off for charity and The Crown Puncknowle Fundraisers put on a quiz afterwards. All told, a whopping £720 was raised and has been sent to 'Help for Heroes'. My thanks to all those

who donated and to those who assisted in making it such a great night. Thanks also to Dee and Sarah for putting up with such a fool as I!

Dave Bird

#### **HOME WATCH**

We are having our meeting in the Puncknowle Village hall on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April. 7-30pm. Every one is invited so please come along and support your local Home watch Working together we can cut crime.

Rob Reeks



#### PUNCKNOWLE. SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

#### **ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMNLY**

Residents of West Bexington, Swyre and Puncknowle are cordially invited to the Annual Assembly at the Village Hall on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April starting at 7.30pm, to 'have your say' to Parish Councillors about local isssues. There will be a guest speaker, a display of local craft and art free plusrefreshments. DO COME ALONG to this very informal and pleasant opportunity to meet together once a year. . *Anthony Edwards* 897435

#### PUNCKNOWLE LITTER-PICK AND TIDY-UP

Can you give an hour or two of your time to comb the byways of the village picking up litter etc to keep our village looking beautiful? Join us at the Playing Field at 10.00am on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April ... followed by light refreshment around midday.



Waste sacks will be available but please bring your own gardening gloves etc. and any tools. Wear something bright and visible; work in twos to warn each other of hazards - traffic etc.

Do not pick up broken glass, dog fouling, syringes or other hazardous waste but let the organiser know where this is – to notify WDDC. Do not enter private property or remove nature on highway verges.

This Spring Clean is arranged in conjunction with West Dorset District Council's Services Division. If you have any questions, please contact either Liz Slater on 897751 or Tony Edwards on 897435"

#### **BEACH CLEAN**

Don't forget also that the annual beach clean takes place the following week, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April (see Valley section for more information).



## LITTON CHENEY

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#### St. MARY'S CHURCH

#### **WORKING PARTY**

The next Working party will be on Thursday  $7^{\text{th}}$  April at 10.15am following the School Service. All welcome! Please bring your own gardening equipment. Refreshments provided.



#### **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

The APCM will be held in Church at 7.30pm on Friday, April 15th.

#### THE VILLAGE FETE

Although it's only just April, it's not too early to start preparations for the Fete, which is to be held at LATCH, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - proceeds in aid of St. Mary's Church!

If you are skilled at handicrafts, now is the time to get busy making things. If there is fruit lurking at the bottom of your freezer, then please turn it into jam or chutney. Too many books cluttering your shelves? We'll be happy to have them. Then there are plants – we'll need lots of them for our plant stall, so while you are planting seeds, potting on, splitting clumps and preparing your garden for the summer, please put some things aside for us. Cakes, bottles, provisions, toys, - they will all be needed to stock the stalls - please look out for a full list of all stalls and stall-holders in the May edition of the BVN

Wendy Taylor, PCC Secretary, 482532

#### LITTON CHENEY SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The March **VILLAGE WALK** was through the plantation on the north side of the A35, and it really is quite an impressive plantation. Great to see so many trees being planted and it will be quite a forest in a few decades. The walk was most interesting and the welcome sunshine made it very enjoyable.

There is NO village walk in April and it is suggested the residents of each road have a self help litter pick before the grass and nettles start growing again - please.

The **ANNUAL DUCK RACE** is on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, starting as usual at noon in Main Street. Do come along, enjoy the fun and end with refreshments at The White Horse.

The following weekend is the Royal Wedding, and another opportunity for the village to get together.

# COME RAIN OR SHINE ROYAL WEDDING DAY PICNIC FRIDAY 29th APRIL

Bring your table, chair, cushions, rug, games etc and most importantly your

PICNIC TEA to LATCH between 4.00 and 6.00pm to meet up with other villagers.

To confirm details and your interest please call 482162/482497Spread the word, get together with your neighbours but do come along.

Early alert -

The **BRIDE VALLEY NAVIGATIONAL CHALLENGE** will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 6.00pm from The White Horse. The village has the opportunity to reclaim the trophy which was won by "outsiders" last year!!!

Make a note on your calendar, and be prepared for a fascinating evening solving the puzzles set by Clive and his merry band of helpers, before finishing with a most welcome pie and a pint.

Ron Davidson, LCSC, 482661



#### **EVENTS IN APRIL**

SPORTS, ART AND U3A DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY classes continue until Easter Holiday.

Ben Osborne presents "Jurassic Journey": Friday  $1^{st}$  -at 7.30pm. Tel: 01308 482532

Saturday 9th - from 7.30pm KEEP DANCING

Saturday 16th - 10.30am - 12.30pm VILLAGE CAFÉ

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - **BV GARDENING CLUB** - Talk by Anna Pavord. Details: 01308 897358

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - 8.00 p.m. Film Night **"MADE IN DAGENHAM"** (See Valley Notes)

Friday 29th - 4.00 - 6.00pm ROYAL WEDDING DAY VILLAGE PICNIC.

#### SUMMER CELEBRATION DINNER

Advance Notice - a date for your Diary:

Following last year's successful CELEBRATION DINNER it is planned to hold a similar event on Friday  $10^{th}$  June at Litton and Thorner's Community Hall. Tickets £19 per person, 3 course meal. Table for 6 at discounted price of £105.

To book call 01308 482532. Full details in May BVN.

#### **100 CLUB**

Latch is considering setting up a 100 Club as part of their future fundraising plans. To make it worthwhile sufficient people have to join and the winnings to both individuals and hall have to make it attractive. If you would like to join us in our fundraising efforts and stand a chance of winning a monetary prize, call 01308 482661 or 01308 482313.

#### PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Local elections take place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like to be a Parish Councillor and believe you have the qualities to serve your fellow villagers as a councillor then please contact Parish Clerk John Firrell, who will provide you with the necessary documentation and information.

You will however need to be quick as nominations have to be in by  $4^{\text{th}}$  April.

## ST JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace:

On the best way to run a church council meeting

The Rectory St. James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

Thank you for inviting me to speak at your church council yesterday. I began to suspect that my theme of why Eusebius's dislike of Sabellianism led to his condemnation at the Council of Antioch in 324 was a little misjudged, when the only question I was asked after my lecture was if I knew what Eusebius's favourite colour was.

I never realised how much technology was needed these days when people meet to discuss church matters. Your treasurer's power point presentation was most impressive; it was just unfortunate that the electricity cut rendered him speechless and his pie charts invisible. To equip every member with a laptop computer, so that paper is now redundant is probably a good thing, since you seem to have so many briefing documents, diocesan reports and internet downloads to circulate. However, sitting at the back, I could not help noticing that most of your committee spent their time playing computer games, reading e-mails and in one case, looking at material it is better not to describe.

For the secretary to type the minutes as the meeting progressed, so people could collect them on their way out was only marred by paper getting jammed in the printer, so that everyone took home minutes looking as if they had recently held fish and chips.

Our meetings tend to be a little more traditional. Since the church hall floor seems to have been carved out of permafrost, our meetings circulate round members' houses. This introduces a nice element of competition, as each host tries to outdo the previous one in the standard and quantity of cakes. Meetings at Colonel Drinkwater's - a more inappropriate name one cannot imagine - are the shortest, since we are always promised wine once the meeting is over. It is remarkable how unanimity is achieved on every subject in minutes and nothing appears under "any other business".

Mrs Eddington never sends out minutes - largely because she can rarely decipher the notes she takes - and simply reads out what she can remember at the next meeting. Last month, she accidentally left them at home and brought her shopping list by mistake, so gamely read that out instead. This led to a lively discussion on whether carrots from our local shop were better than those at the supermarket and when it was found out she intended to use them in a venison casserole, endless recipes were keenly debated.

We leave well fed, having caught up on village gossip, untroubled by points of order or sub committee reports. And the lack of any minutes means that I can then make all decisions myself between meetings. I think you will find our system has much to be commended.

Your loving uncle, Eustace

## BEYOND THE VALLEY

## GOOD BOOKS

St Mary's Old School, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3RL, Tel: 01308 420483 email: orders@goodbooksbridport.co.uk

Good Books: for Christian books (including 2<sup>nd</sup> hand bargain shelves), cards, gifts and church supplies.

Home of Bridport Good Neighbours/Pathways to Care, Threads of Hope, Bridport Book of Hours' and Monthly Book Club

Opening hours: Monday-Friday 9.00am-1.00pm, Saturday 10.00am-12.00noon Now open till 3pm on Wednesdays and Fridays.

#### SPRING OPEN HOUSE

Friday 15th April, 10.00am-2.00pm

A chance to celebrate new life with a **PLANT STALL** – bring along some plants to sell, share or exchange. Enjoy homemade refreshments, friendly chat and a gentle browse for last minute **Easter cards and gifts**.

We now have a **BOOKSWAP** scheme too, a chance to swap a favourite novel (or maybe biography or travel book) for something new to read.

And do let us know what you think of our re-vamped **WEBSITE** at http//godbooksbridport.wordpress.com

# GEORGIAN FACES...GOING, GOING, GONE

This unique exhibition at Dorset County Museum closes on 30<sup>th</sup> April. Many portraits of the movers and shakers of the 18<sup>th</sup> century will then return to private collections and elsewhere, and may not be seen in public again soon, or ever!

Three of the portraits are on loan from the National Portrait Gallery, and artists include Reynolds, Romney, Gainsborough, Hogarth and



Ramsay. Entry at £6.50 also includes entry to a 45 minute film – you are recommended to see it before viewing the exhibition - on the artists, sitters and external influences at the time. Outstanding catalogue. New Tea-room available.

The Museum is open in April from 10.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Saturday. Please phone 01305-262735 for further information or -to be 101% certain - to check film will definitely be on when you call

John Grantham

## VISIT TO MONKTON WYLD COURT

Centre for Sustainable Living Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 10.30am - 2.30pm

Dorset Police

A tour round the house & grounds to learn more about their approach to sustainable living. Organic lunch available at £6 (to be booked by 26th April), shared transport.



Bookings for the trip & to arrange transport: Good Books 01308

420483 (organised by Bridport Churches Eco-network)

#### DORSET POLICE AUTHORITY

The Chief Constable of Dorset and the Chairman of the Dorset Police Authority have circulated a letter outlining their plan for the coming three years. The

following is an extract from that (very long) letter. Should anyone wish to see the full text, please contact the editor at *valleynews@btinternet.com*, who will be happy to email the full version to you.

What we do have is a well thought through plan for change that is focused on improving the service that we deliver and continuing to value our officers and staff at a time when we are also reducing substantially what we spend. You will be pleased to know that some of the traditional hallmarks of policing in Dorset, such as Safer Neighbourhood Teams and Inspector led Neighbourhood areas, (based on District Council and ward boundaries) remain largely unaffected. Our primary commitment is that our patrol officers will remain present and visible in every neighbourhood across the Force area. Any changes that we make will be for operational purposes and we are doing everything within our power to reduce costs elsewhere.

For example, in January 2011 the Force replaced its previous Divisional and Departmental structures with a rationalised structure comprising three new commands:

**Territorial Policing Command**; led by Chief Superintendent Martin Hiles, this command encompasses all aspects of patrol policing across the

Force area, including Safer Neighbourhood Teams, local patrol teams, specialist patrol officers, the Air Support Unit and the Marine Section.

Crime and Criminal Justice Command; led by Detective Chief Superintendent Colin Stanger, this command deals with all investigations from local crime through to major crime, serious organised crime, child protection and domestic abuse. It also manages all criminal justice processes including custody and case preparation and provides liaison with other criminal justice agencies.

Communication and Contact Services Command; led by Chief Superintendent Colin Searle, this command has responsibility for call handling, command and control of operational deployments, online and other e-comms activity, media and communications planning and delivery and road safety.

We have retained one existing operational command area, the **Operational and Contingency Planning Command**, led by Chief Superintendent David Griffith. This command is responsible for our planning and preparation for the security of the 2012 Olympic Games as well as for other major or Force-wide events; the command area will be reviewed in late 2012.

In support of these changes, in April 2011 patrol officers in the Force will move to new shift patterns based on current and future demands. This, together with the re-deployment of officers from other specialist functions will ensure that there are significantly better resource levels in the high demand areas of the Force at key times.

Attached to the letter is a Statement of the Principles behind their "One Team" Strategy/Policy. This can also be made available by email should anyone wish to see it.

Democracy is the theory that the common people know what they want and deserve to get it, good and hard.

H. L. Mencken (1880 - 1956)

Everyone is entitled to be stupid, but some abuse the privilege.

Anon

Honesty is a question of right or wrong, not a matter of policy.

Anon

An honest politician is one who, when he is bought, will stay bought.

Simon Cameron (1799 - 1889)

## VALLEY NOTES

#### **GREAT DORSET BEACH CLEAN**



Bring friends and family for this yearly event, helping to take care of Dorset's fantastic beaches

It's great and it's in Dorset. Come and join 100s of volunteers at any one of 27 beaches between Lyme Bay and Friars Cliff, Christchurch. You will be given a couple of bags and some gloves. Last year

nearly 800 volunteers helped to spring clean our beaches. The Annual Great Dorset Beach Clean is organised by Dorset County Council's Coastal Ranger Team. Closest to us are:

Burton Bradstock Outside Hive Beach Cafe

Cogden Beach National Trust Land Rover on beach

West Bexington Beach car park

all from 11.00am to 1.00pm. For further information contact Jenny Penney on 07977 508094, email *j.penney@dorsetcc.gov.uk* or visit www.dorsetforyou.com/greatdorsetbeachclean for more information.

#### **BRIDE VALLEY FILMS**

MADE IN DAGENHAM Cert.15, 1½ hrs

an entertaining and moving account of a piece of history'

Wed 20th April; doors open: 7.30pm

Film starts 8.00 p.m. Tickets: £5.00 (to include a glass of wine)

It's 1968, the year of revolution, and students are demonstrating the world over. Meanwhile in Dagenham, Essex, as far from the swinging sixties

as possible, the Ford motor company is about to face its biggest ever threat, and from the unlikeliest of places: the female sewing machinists. The women down tools, when they are reclassified as 'unskilled'. With humour, common



sense and courage they take on their U.S. paymasters, an increasingly belligerent local community, and finally the government itself, to strike an everlasting blow for equal pay for women. The film, directed by Nigel Cole (Calendar Girls), features a talented British cast including Sally Hawkins, Bob Hoskins, Miranda Richardson and Geraldine James.

Tickets in advance from: Sally Dyke 482752, Lois Edwards 482605, Elizabeth Kingston 482162, Bella Spurrier 482367 or on the door if available. (All nos. 01308)

The next film, on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> May wil be **TAMARA DREWE** – look out for details on posters, in the BVN and on the website.

#### FLEDGLINGS NEWS

Welcome to Connie from West Bexington who joined us at the beginning of March. During this winter we have started to wear our slippers indoors, as we wear our welly boots to go outdoors. We are learning about healthy eating through our lunch boxes, and have lots of fruit. A few of us still have hot lunches.



In January, we followed the "Aliens in Underpants" story and made up silly names for aliens as well as cutting and painting for a display. We also acted out the "Gingerbread Man" story

In February, we read about "Oscar the Octopus" colouring and cutting out fishes for another display of our work. Then we had a Pirates Day, and for role-play, a Train Station Ticket Office, and also Shop-keeping - very busy!

We celebrated the Chinese New Year of the Rabbit with food and music, and made dragons and lanterns to decorate.

In March we had a visit from a Policewoman and her Police Car - we saw the lights flashing and her equipment. On St. David's Day we made "daffodils" to take home and in the garden we have planted some garlic cloves, which are coming up, as are our spring bulbs in lots of different colours. We have tried our hand at making small clay pots and decorated them with beads.

For information about Fledglings Pre-School, please contact the Manager, Fiona Evans, on 01308 482410

Say nothing of my religion. It is known to God and myself alone. Its evidence before the world is to be sought in my life: if it has been honest and dutiful to society, the religion which has regulated it Cannot be a bad one.

Thomas Jefferson (1743 - 1826)

#### THORNER'S CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

It has been a very busy time in school just recently, with the children in Chesil visiting the Dorchester Museum where they undertook historical tasks, dressed up as people from the past.

All of the KS2 children visited Charmouth
Heritage Centre where they discovered the reason for
fossils being so abundant on the Jurassic coast. A good time was
spent looking for that elusive dinosaur fossil and luckily we chose
one of the better days ... no wind or rain! Needless to say we
were not lucky in finding anything unusual, but we did come
home with our pockets full of ammonites and Belemnites

It was a real pleasure to take the children out on this field trip as they were fully engrossed in the tasks they were assigned. This meant that the staff were able to stand back and observe how the children were learning

without even realising it. So many children think that learning only takes place in the classroom and should be of the academic type; they fail to recognise that there are many social skills needed in life such as working in a team, listening carefully, being polite, caring about others.



These are essential when it comes to mixing with the wider community but we do not measure them in quite the same way as we do numeracy and literacy!

Bredy class, years 3 and 4, visited the Weymouth Outdoor Centre where they were wall climbing, crawling through tunnels and abseiling. I was exhausted just looking at the pictures. Bredy have also walked around the village and are now in the process of producing a map of their journey in the classroom.

Alison Johnstone, Headteacher

#### **100 CLUB WINNERS:**

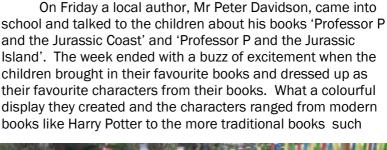
£15 Lynda Staddon (Parent) £10 Sally Turner (Parent)

#### BURTON BRADSTOCK CE VC SCHOOL

We are well into the Spring Term now and it has been wonderful to see the first signs of Spring. On a recent Welly Walk the children in the Sails class noticed that the snowdrops had disappeared and had been replaced by the sunny daffodils. Riley (aged 4) pondered as to the disappearance of the snowdrop and came up with the brilliant conclusion that they had melted because of the sun!

On returning to school in March, following the half term holiday, the school celebrated World Book Day by having a Book Week. The children, and staff, had a fantastic time and took part in lots of hands-on activities based around books, reading and writing. Each class had a visit to Burton Bradstock Library and took part in a competition to design a bookmark that was organised by the Library Service. Every day, at the sound of the school bell, the children stopped what they were doing, picked up their book and read.

There was such calm throughout the school during these sessions, and it was wonderful to be able to spend time enjoying a book - something that isn't always possible with such a busy curriculum!





as Alice in Wonderland.

Can you help? We have an extremely old **SCHOOL BELL** which the children ring each day to signal the start of the school day and at the end of playtimes. Unfortunately the bell is in need of repair as the wooden handle is becoming loose. Ideally we would prefer to continue to use the original bell rather than replace it with a modern one. If you are able to fix the bell for us please contact the office on 01308 897369. Many thanks.



The Friends of Burton Bradstock School are organising our **Annual Duck Race** which will be taking place on Easter Sunday - 24<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm. Ducks can be bought from various places in the village or from the school. There will be stalls and activities on the village playing fields so please come along to support us and have some fun!

Claire Staple Headteacher

#### WOMENS' INSTITUTE

In February we had an interesting talk on Dorset farmhouses and their construction - there are many superb examples of these in the area.

Our meeting this month is on 12<sup>th</sup> April, again at the evening time and will be the AGM, at which you will have the chance to vote for a new President and committee, as Valerie Is stepping down after her 3 year stint. An incentive to attend this meeting is that Cheese and Wine will be served after the meeting followed by entertainment!! Also at this meeting is the chance to display your Art work of the last year, which will be voted for by members present. The fortunate winner will be given a very splendid award, so do bring along works you have painted or drawn recently.

The usual groups (Mahjong, Reading, Walking and Embroidery) will be meeting in April: please check the notice board outside the WI Hall and do remember if you are new to the Valley you would be very welcome at our meetings.



## THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

#### **BRIDE VALLEY BRANCH**

There is no meeting in April and the next **Social EVENING** is on May  $16^{th}$  (not  $9^{th}$  as previously advertised) at The Three Horseshoes 7.15pm for 7.30pm, with light supper £5. Please telephone the Hon Sec. Jim Reeves on 01308 897091 to book your place.

This year is not only the 90th Anniversary of The Royal

British Legion but also our **Branch's 75TH**. To ensure that we continue into the next decade it is essential that we have members volunteering for the committee and especially Officers. This year at the AGM, in November, the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Poppy Appeal organiser will be standing down after many years of service and for the Branch to survive these posts *must* be filled. Would members please consider filling these posts and contact me either by e-mail or personally to discuss these rôles.

Ray West, Chairman; rayc.west@btinternet.com

#### **ABBOTSBURY & PORTESHAM BRANCH**

The day trip to **Arundel**, W. Sussex, on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April is well supported, a couple of seats left if you hurry! Coach pick-ups are as follows: Abbotsbury Square 8.30 am, Frys Close, Portesham 8.35am, Portesham Green 8.40am, 35a London Rd. Dorchester 9.00am. Cost is £18.50 per person + £2.50 for non-Members. We leave at 4.30pm for the return journey.

The quarterly **Branch Committee Meeting** will be held at Portesham Methodist Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

Our **May MEETING** is at Strangways Hall, Abbotsbury at 7.30pm on 19<sup>th</sup> May when Peter Cadogan will talk about the international charity "Wateraid".

**RBL NATIONAL CONFERENCE**, Telford 21st/22nd May, when our delegate will be Steve James.

On  $30^{\text{th}}$  June we meet at Portesham Methodist Hall at 7.30pm to hear local author Kay Townsend tell us about "Wartime on the Fairgrounds".

The 5 - day tour of **"THE FENS"** on 29<sup>th</sup> September is filling rapidly. Not surprising really as we are using the 4\* Peterborough Marriott Hotel and visiting, amongst others, Sandringham Royal Estate and Burleigh House. Any profits will be shared between The Royal Hospital Chelsea and "Dors to India" (a Portesham based charity which supports victims of the 2004 tsunami).

All enquiries regarding any of the above to Des Baker Branch Entertainments Chairman, 01305 267617

misspent. This period is divided into two parts, the day proper and the night, or day improper -- the former devoted to sins of business, the latter consecrated to the other sort. These two kinds of social activity overlap.

**RESOLUTE**, adj. Obstinate in a course that we approve.

# FOR YOUNGER PEOPLE

In our story today, Jesus is arrested and condemned to death. Complete the crossword by using the clues below.
Across 3. Peter said he didn't know him. 5. Jesus died on this. 7. The sign above Jesus' head read of the Jews. 8. What do we call talking to God? 9. This word means to disown or refuse to acknowledge.
1. Jesus did this for us. 2. Crowing bird. 4. Someone who recognized Peter. 6. Peter said times that he didn't know Jesus. 9. When Jesus died, the sky turned
Rearrange the words to find today's memory verse.    ⑥

#### Bible Sketchbook

## Turn to Jesus now!

The Roman Governor could have saved Jesus, but he was weak. He turned Jesus over to the people who were baying for his blood. The soldiers had already whipped him and mocked him with a crown of thorns. The people got their way. Jesus was crucified even though he was innocent. A criminal dying on a cross nearby put his trust in him. Amazing! Jesus assured him he was forgiven and would have eternal life. That can be true for each of us. But much better to turn to him now than leave it to the last minute like that criminal!











read Matthew 26:36 - 27:56

KISS • MESSIAH CHRIST • SON A

CRUCIFY • JESUS CROWN • THORNS

ROBE • TREE

NAILS • CROSS **DARKNESS • QUAKE DEATH • LOTS** 

# **Burial and Resurrection**

read Matthew 27:57 - 28:20

TOMB • STONE • LINEN • BODY BURY • THREE DAYS • MORNING MARY • ANGEL • HEAVEN GOD • RAISED • JOY • GO TELL GOOD NEWS • PEACE • SPIRIT

SAVIOUR • PRAISE -- EASTER ---



## MOTHERING SUNDAY 3rd April

The old Gospel reading for this Sunday was about the feeding of the 5,000 so it was originally called Refreshment Sunday. This Sunday became linked with family reunions and gatherings and became Mothering Sunday.



Mother's Day, which in this country is on the same day as Mothering Sunday. Is an American invention started in 1906. Mother's Day is directly connected with the mother of the family but Mothering Sunday is more connected with Mother Church, the family meaning has been added on.

#### MOTHER'S DAY CARD

Nice cards for Mother's Day can be rather expensive so why don't you make your own? You don't have to be an artist to make a lacy card. You will need some coloured card, glue and a paper lace dolly.

Cut a piece of card twice as big as the card you want and fold it in half. Cut your decoration from

the doily, some have lovely patterns of hearts flowers and leaves. Put a very small amount of glue on the back of



the 'lace' and press it onto the card. Finish by writing a nice message inside.

#### Why was the Egyptian girl worried?

Because her daddy was a mummy.

What stories do the sailor's children like to hear? Ferry lales.

Did you hear about the little boy that they named after his father?

They called him dad.

How did your mum know you hadn't washed your face? I forgot to wet the soap.

## DIARY OF EVENTS: APRIL 2011

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Fri	1	9.45am		LATCH
Fri	1	10.00am	Puncknowle Art Club	PSWB Village Hall
Fri	1	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Fri	1	7.30pm	Ben Osbourne "Jurassic Journey"	LATCH
Sun	3	5.00pm	Mothering Sunday Social	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sun	3	7.00pm	One World Worship	Othona Community
Mon	4	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	4	1.30am	Art Classes	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Mon	4	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH
Tue	5		Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney
Tue	5		Short Mat Bowls	LATCH
Tue	5		Puncknowle & Swyre Parish Council	PSWB Village Hall
Wed	6		Indoor Bowls	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Wed	6		Tai Chi	LATCH
Wed	6		Table Tennis	LATCH
Wed	6	•	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629
Wed	6		Book Club	PSWB Village Hall
Thu	7		Working Party	St Mary's, Litton Cheney
Thu	7		BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community
Fri	8	9.45am		LATCH
Fri	8		"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Sat	9		Village Spring Clean	Maybyrne, Long Bredy
Sat	9		Playing Field Maintenance	Shipton Gorge Playing Field
Sat	9		Churchyard Working Party	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sat	9		Spring Coffee Morning	Holy Trinity, Swyre
Sat	9		Table Top Sale	PSWB Village Hall
Sat	9		Keeeeeep Dancing	LATCH
Sun	10		Puncknowle Litter Pick	Playing Field
Sun	10		St Mary's APCM	
Mon	11		Art Classes	St Mary's, Puncknowle LATCH
Mon	11		Art Classes	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Mon	11	4.00pm		LATCH
Mon	11		+	PSWB Village Hall
Tue	12		Homewatch Meeting Short Mat Bowls	LATCH
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Wed	13		WI AGM	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
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Fri			RBL (A&P) Branch Committee Meeting	Portesham Methodist Hall
	15		Spring Open House	Good Books, Bridport
Fri	15		Puncknowle Art Club	The Bull, Swyre
Fri	15	9.45am	e _	LATCH
Fri E:	15		"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport
Fri	15		St Mary's APCM	St Mary's, Litton Cheney
Sun	17		Great Dorset Beach Clean	see page 25
Mon	18		Art Classes	LATCH
Mon	18		Art Classes	Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Mon	18	4.00pm		LATCH
Mon	18	7.30pm	BVGC Talk by Anna Pavord	LATCH

Tue	19	12.30pm	Puncknowle & Swyre Lunch Club	PSWB Village Hall		
Tue	19	2.00pm	Bride Valley Knitting Group	Ourganics, Litton Cheney		
Tue	19	3.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LATCH		
Tue	19	7.30pm	Annual Parish Assembly	PSWB Village Hall		
Wed	20	1.30pm	Walled Garden open	Littlebredy		
Wed	20	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Bradstock Village Hall		
Wed	20	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH		
Wed	20	2.00pm	Easter Holiday Workshop	PSWB Village Hall		
Wed	20	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH		
Wed	20	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629		
Wed	20	7.30pm	BVFilms "Made in Dagenham"	LATCH		
Thu	21	12.00noon	Easter Picnic	PSWB Playing Field		
Thu	21	2.30pm	BV Guild of Health Meditation	Othona Community		
Fri	22	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH		
Fri	22	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport		
Sun	24	12.00noon	Annual Duck Race	Main St, Litton Cheney		
Mon	25	9.45am	Art Classes	LATCH		
Mon	25	1.30am	Art Classes	Burton Bradstock Village Hall		
Mon	25	4.00pm	Pilates	LATCH		
Tue	26	3.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LATCH		
Wed	27	2.00pm	Indoor Bowls	Burton Bradstock Village Hall		
Wed	27	2.00pm	Tai Chi	LATCH		
Wed	27	3.30pm	Table Tennis	LATCH		
Wed	27	7.30pm	Eastern Valley Home Group	phone 897068/629		
Fri	29	9.45am	Yoga	LATCH		
Fri	29	12.00noon	"Sacred Space"	Good Books, Bridport		
Fri	29	4.00pm	Royal Wedding Picnic	LATCH		
Fri	29		Royal Wedding Party	PSWB Village Hall		
Fri	29	7.30pm	Royal Wedding Bring & Share Supper	Littlebredy, Village Hall		
	WEEKDAY SERVICES, APRIL 2011					
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Friday	<b>1</b> st	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	8 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	<b>11</b> <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Littlebredy
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	<b>14</b> th	9.00am	Puncknowle
Friday	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Litton Cheney
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Long Bredy
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
		10.00am	Burton Bradstock Holy Communion
Thursday	21st	9.00am	Swyre
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	Shipton Gorge
Monday	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Littlebredy
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Burton Bradstock
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# SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES April 2011

	1st Sunday April 3 Mothering Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday April 10 Passion Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday April 17 Palm Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday April 24 Easter Day
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion  11.00 Mothering Sunday Parade Service 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion 9.30 Family Service 11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Holy Communion
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Communion
Chilcombe			6.30 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	11.00 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	8.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Family Communion
Litton Cheney	11.00 Family Service	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)		11.00 Morning Worship	9.30 Family Communion
Littlebredy		11.00 Holy Communion (By Extension)	9.30 Morning Worship	11.00 Holy Communion
Ashley Chase				6.00am Holy Communion