From Source to Sea, through the Bride Valley

Sunday 3 December 2017 Advent 1

COLLECT & POST COMMUNION

For use in the services or private prayer

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS for today

Psalm: 80 v 1-8

Old Testament: Isaiah 64 v 1-9 New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1 v 3-9

Gospel: Mark 13 v 24-end

Evening Services

Psalm: 25 v 1-9

1st reading: Isaiah 1 v 1-20 2nd reading: Matthew 21 v 1-13

DURING THE WEEK

Monday 4 December	10.00	Julian Prayer Group at Holy Trinity Swyre
Tuesday 5 December	9.00	Prayers at St Mary's Burton Bradstock
Thursday 7 December	10.00	Morning Prayer at BB led by the churchwarden
Thursday 7 December	19.00	Reflect & Study with Holy Communion at Puncknowle
Thursday 7 December	18.30	Burton Bradstock School Christmas Performance (see below)
Friday 8 December	14.15	Tiny Tots Service in St Mary's Burton Bradstock
Friday 8 December	15.30	Christingle Service in St Mary's Burton Bradstock

VALLEY NOTICES

Burton Bradstock School Christmas Performance – the show is 'The Match Girl's Christmas' and is being performed in the theatre at Freshwater Holiday Park beginning at 6.30pm. Entry fee is £1.00. Bar will be open. All most welcome.

The last MESSY CHURCH of this session will be held on Sunday 10 December in Puncknowle Hall at 10.30am. Why not join us to celebrate the coming of Christmas 'Messy' style. Singing with the music group; a message from God's Word; crafts for those who enjoy them; time to pray; great refreshments and plenty of opportunity to get to know one another better.

Carol Services and Christmas Services will be taking place throughout the Bride Valley during December. Please see the December issue of the BVN for further details.

West Dorset Mencap Annual Carol Service – will once again take place in St Mary's Church, South Street, Bridport led by Reverend Pete Stone. It begins at 12.30pm on Thursday 14 December and will be followed by tea and mince pies from Oh Crumbs Café. All most welcome to this service full of music and joy.

Benefice Churches



Littlebredy

Long Bredy

Litton Cheney

Puncknowle

Swyre

Chilcombe

Shipton Gorge

Burton Bradstock

To the sea