From Source to Sea, through the Bride Valley

Sunday 15 December 2019 3rd Sunday of Advent

COLLECT & POST COMMUNION

For use in the services or private prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare you way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

READINGS for today

Psalm: 146 v 4-10

Old Testament: Isaiah 35 v 1-10 New Testament: James 5 v 7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11 v 2-11

Evening

Psalm: 12

1st reading: Isaiah 5 v 8 – end 2nd reading: Acts 13 v 13-41

DURING THE WEEK

Monday 16 December 9.00 Morning Prayer at Long Bredy Monday 16 December 19.00 Advent Reflection at Holy Trinity Swyre Monday 16 December Carol Singing around Burton Bradstock village Tuesday 17 December 9.00 Prayers at St Mary's Burton Bradstock Wednesday 18 Dec 9.15 Thorners School Church Service at St Mary's Litton Cheney

Wednesday 18 Dec 10.00 Morning Prayer at St Mary's BB led by the churchwarden Friday 20 December 9.15 Carols around the tree at Burton Bradstock School

VALLEY NOTICES

ADVENT CHALLENGE: Why not join me in reading a chapter of Luke every day during Advent? Jane (Rector).

Luke's Gospel is a message of 'Joy to the world'. Have you taken up Jane's advent challenge? Why not let her know if you have.

DON'T FORGET THE LAST ADVENT REFLECTION - on Monday 16 December at 7.00pm in Holy Trinity Swyre when the focus will be on Joseph.

CAROL SERVICES TODAY - this evening at 5pm in St Martin's Shipton Gorge and at 6.30pm in St Mary's Burton Bradstock.

LISTEN & LEARN Feedback Session with Benefice Breakfast - on Saturday 25 January 2020 9am till 12 noon in LATCH. To book your place (and breakfast!) please email the Administrator on bridevalley.benefice@hotmail.com or telephone 897695. All living in the Bride Valley parishes most welcome to attend.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Crib Services at 4pm in St Mary's Litton Cheney and at 5pm in St Mary's Burton Bradstock. Early Midnight Communion at 9.30pm in Holy Trinity, Swyre.

Midnight Communion at 11.30pm in St Mary's Litton Cheney and 11.30pm in St Mary's Burton Bradstock.

Benefice Churches

From the source

Littlebredy

Long Bredy

Litton Cheney

Puncknowle

Swyre

Chilcombe

Shipton Gorge

Burton Bradstock

To the sea