From Source to Sea, through the Bride Valley

Sunday 29 December 2019 1st Sunday of Christmas

COLLECT & POST COMMUNION

For use in the services or private prayer

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

READINGS for today

Psalm: 148

Old Testament: Isaiah 63 v 7-9

New Testament: Hebrews 2 v 10-end

Gospel: Matthew 2 v 13-end

DURING THE WEEK

The Clergy Staff Team will be taking a post- Christmas break from 30 December to 4 January

VALLEY NOTICES

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.

REFLECT & STUDY with Holy Communion – will take place at 7.00pm in St Mary's Puncknowle on Thursday 2 January.

VALLEY BRING & SHARE LUNCH – this will take place on Sunday 5 January at 12.30pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall. Please bring along a plate of savoury/sweet food to share, drinks will be provided. No charge. Open to all who live in the Bride Valley as well as visitors to the area. The Fairtrade stall will be there for purchases of food and craft items.

JULIAN PRAYER GROUP next meets on Monday 6 January at 10.00am in Holy Trinity Swyre.

MIDWEEK SERVICES

As from January there will be a Holy Communion service on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays in St Mary's Puncknowle at 7.00pm (alongside Reflect & Study) and on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays in St Mary's Burton Bradstock at 10.00am. On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Wednesdays at 10.00am in St Mary's Burton Bradstock there will be a service of Morning Prayer. Services will be led by a priest or a Licensed Lay Minister.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

VALENTINE WEDDING FESTIVAL WEEKEND in the Bride Valley – Friday 14 to Sunday 16 February 2020. Friday 14th both schools will act out 'The Wedding at Cana'. Saturday 15th all churches will be open 10 till 3 with wedding themed displays. Sunday 16th a Special Service will be held in every parish church at 10.30am to celebrate loving and caring relationships.

Benefice Churches

From
the source

Littlebredy

Long Bredy

Litton
Cheney

Puncknowle

Swyre

Chilcombe

Shipton Gorge

Burton Bradstock

To the sea