## From Source to Sea with the churches of the Bride Valley Benefice



# Welcome!

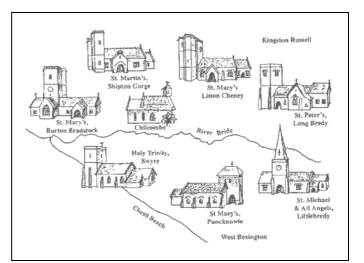
We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially newcomers and visitors on holiday. Please make yourselves known to us and let us know if there is anything we can do to help you enjoy your time in the Village and Valley.

More information about the churches is available on the village websites.

Our ministry team:

- The Reverend Jane Williams
- The Reverend Sue Linford
- The Reverend Liz Howlett
- The Reverend Ryder Rogers
- LLM James Webster
- LWL Vicky Thomas
- LWL Paul Cheater
- LWL Heather Goffee

Weekly 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023 News Epiphany 3 & Candlemas



#### Services: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 9.30 am Joint breakfast Swyre & Puncknowle church Litton Cheney Holy Communion\* \*bv extension 11.00 am Shipton Gorge Holy Communion **Burton Bradstock** Holy Communion Littlebredy Morning Worship Psalm 27: 1-11 OT: Isaiah 9: 1-4 NT: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23 Service: Sunday 29th 11.00 am Abbotsburv Joint Benefice Holv Communion The **telephone service**, prepared by The Reverend Jane Williams, will be available on 01308 293062

## Call to worship and thought for the week:

Light, space, zest - that's God! So, with him on my side, I'm fearless, afraid of no one and nothing. (*Psalm 27: 1 The Message*)

## For our prayers:

#### We have much to celebrate this week, including:

• The introduction of a new style family worship at Burton Bradstock

#### We are grateful for:

- Our ministry team and the way they work together, for their ministry among us
- Our sacristans for the work they do to support our holy communion services

#### Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Jane, Liz, Sue, Ryder and James
- Lay Worship Leaders; Vicky, Paul, and Heather
- Bishops Stephen, Karen, and Andrew
- Bishop Rufus and the diocese of Lainya
- God's kingdom, here and now:
  - Across the Bride Valley
  - Throughout the Diocese of Salisbury
  - Within parliamentary decision making
- For a peaceful outcome to the war in Ukraine
- For all workers compelled to strike in response to inadequate service provision to those who are ill or in need
- We also remember the families of those who have recently died, among them: Margaret Hopkins (Cilla's Mum), Eric Stubbs and Anne Gilson

### **COLLECTS FOR EPIPHANY 3 & CANDLEMAS\***

### - for use in the services or for private prayer

**Almighty God,** whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**God of all mercy,** your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

\*Lord Jesus Christ, light of the nations and glory of Israel: make your home among us and present us pure and holy to your heavenly Father, your God, and our God. Amen

**Almighty Father,** whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

\*Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen © Archbishops' Council of the Church of England 2000-2004





## **REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:**

| 3.30 pm<br>7.30 pm<br>Wednesday 7.00 pm |                  |          | Life Group @ Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock<br>Big Q Church (LATCH)<br>Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney)<br>Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy 2482270*) |  |  |  |  |
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| Thursday                                |                  | 7.00 pm  | Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock 2898603*)  |  |  |  |  |
| Friday                                  |                  | 2.00 pm  | Tots Time (Burton Bradstock)   |  |  |  |  |
|   |                  |          | * Please phone to check if practice is taking place  |  |  |  |  |
| ADDITIONAL EVENTS                       |                  |          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mon                                     | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | 7.00 pm  | Benefice Council (on Zoom)   |  |  |  |  |
| Tues                                    | 24 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30 am  | PCC Meeting at Litton Cheney at 'Steddings'  |  |  |  |  |
| Wed                                     | 25 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 am | PCC Meeting at Swyre in the church   |  |  |  |  |
| Wed                                     | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 11.30 am | Midweek Communion and light lunch (BB)   |  |  |  |  |
| Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>                   |                  | 7.00 pm  | Candlemas service at Puncknowle  |  |  |  |  |
| Fri                                     | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 12 noon  | Funeral: Eric Stubbs at Burton Bradstock   |  |  |  |  |

## JOINT BENEFICE UNITED SERVICE: SUNDAY 29th JANUARY

This will be a great opportunity to worship together and celebrate Holy Communion. We plan to reflect on all that has happened in our churches in 2022 and look forward to 2023. Please join us if you are able, coffee will be served after the service.

## CANDLEMAS CELEBRATION: 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY

You are invited to **Puncknowle** on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 7.00 pm for a quiet, candlelit service of meditation and plainsong, to celebrate '*Christ – the light of the world'*. Refreshments will be served at the Crown Inn afterwards. Any queries or for more information, get in touch with Geoff Truscott **2**07800 893090

## LIFE GROUP (Tuesdays at 10.30 am at Manafossen Barn)

We are enjoying the opportunity to explore the Bible through Lectio Divina and this will be the theme leading up to Lent. If you are interested, but can't make the sessions - no problem; why not look it up for yourself:

https://www.24-7prayer.com/resource/lectio-course/

**LITTON CHENEY CHURCH CHOIR** (Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> @ 3.00 pm, at Abbotsbury) The Litton Cheney church choir will be giving another concert at the church at **Abbotsbury** on Sunday 29th January, at 3pm, which will feature music to mark the end of Christmas and Epiphany. The choral items will be interspersed by piano solos played by choirmaster Paul Cheater, and trumpet solos played by local trumpeter, Anne Stone. Tickets cost £5 at the door, with free admission to those under 16 and all are welcome.

| Next Sunday              | 9.30 am              | Puncknowle<br>Litton Cheney | Holy Communion<br>Morning worship                    |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|
|                          | 10.30 am             | Burton Bradsto              | <b>ck</b> Songs of Praise                            |
| Eth Echnus               | 11.00 am             | Long Bredy                  | Holy Communion                                       |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> February | Psalm: 1<br>NT: 1 Co | 12<br>printhians 2: 1-12    | OT: Isaiah 58: 1-12<br>Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-20      |
| orde                     | 3.00 pm              | Swyre                       | Evening Prayer                                       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> before   | Psalm: 4             | OT: Amos 2: 4-16            | NT: Ephesians 4: 17-32                               |
| Lent                     | -                    |                             | epared by The Reverend<br>ble on <b>01308 293062</b> |

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

| 29 <sup>th</sup>  | Joint Benefice United Service (11.00 am at Abbotsbury)<br>Litton Cheney Choir at Abbotsbury (3.00 pm) |  |  |  |
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| FEBRUARY  |   |  |  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Candlemas service (7.00 pm Puncknowle)  |  |  |  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>   | Coffee Morning at Litton Cheney Church (9.30-11.30 am)  |  |  |  |
|   | PCC at Burton Bradstock (6.00 pm in the church)   |  |  |  |
| 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Pet Service (3.00 pm Shipton Gorge)   |  |  |  |
| Please check the <b>Bride Valley News</b> for further information and events. |   |  |  |  |
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## PET SERVICE AT SHIPTON GORGE: 19th FEB @ 3pm

Pets are invited to bring their special humans to a service at St Martin's, Shipton Gorge, celebrating the very best of friendships! If your human is shy, please reassure them of a warm welcome with lots of like minded folks to meet - and with any luck, pets might find some new friends too! Don't worry if you are a human without a pet, come along and meet others – you could even bring a cuddly pet toy with you!

## **BENEFICE COMMUNICATIONS & SOURCE TO SEA:**

Members of the team responsible for the BVN, Facebook, A Church Near You and Source to Sea are meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January to review communications across the Benefice. Ideas are always welcome to: <u>bvchurchesta@outlook.com</u> including any ideas for a new layout and graphic content.

## **DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND GIFT AID**

In dedicating our offertory, we not only recognise those gifts donated through the offertory plate but also those given through standing orders and by any visitors to their home churches as we all dedicate ourselves in God's service.

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at:

http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org Follow the Bride Valley Churches on **Facebook**:

http://www.facebook.com/bridevalleychurches

and on A Church Near You: www.achurchnearyou.com

**Daily Hope** – the free service from the CofE is available on **0800 804 8044** *Source to Sea* is produced by a Benefice team. Items to: bvchurchesta@outlook.com

