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



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

Weekly News 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Easter 6



# **Services today**

9.30 am	Shipton Gorge
	Swyre
	Litton Cheney

Breakfast Church Holy Communion Holy Communion

11.00 am Burton Bradstock Holy Communion Littlebredy Holy Communion

Psalm 66: 7-end NT: 1 Peter 3: 13-end NT: Acts 17: 22-31 Gospel: John 14: 15-21

The **telephone service**, prepared by The Reverend Liz Howlett, will be available on **01308 293062** 

## Call to worship and thought for the week:

Bless our God, O peoples! Give him a thunderous welcome! Didn't he set us on the road to life? Didn't he keep us out of the ditch? ... Finally, he brought us to this well-watered place. (*Psalm 66: 8, 12 from The Message*)

#### For our prayers:

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

• a tremendous effort across the Bride Valley to join with the national celebrations during the Coronation weekend

#### We are grateful for:

 all of our volunteers in various roles who keep our church buildings looking well cared for and our church family and communities supported as we think of the country wide call to help out from the new king.

#### Please pray for:

- Our new King and all who exercise authority under him
- Our ministry team: Jane, Liz, Ryder and James
- Lay Worship Leaders; Vicky, Paul, and Heather
- Lay Pastoral Assistants: Pauline, Cathryn, Jenny and Liz
- Bishops: Stephen, Karen, and Andrew, Archdeacon: Penny
- Bishop Rufus and the diocese of Lainya in Sudan during this time of unrest
- For those who have been abused in body, mind and/or spirit
- For those supporting the elderly and housebound across our communities
- Phillida and Alastair who were married at Burton Bradstock yesterday
- Litton Cheney and all who live and work there including staff, governors and pupils of Thorner's School

... remembering the families of those who have recently died, among them *Patrick Sneath.* 

## **COLLECTS FOR EASTER 6**

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

**God our redeemer,** you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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

#### **Risen Christ**,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### (Post communion prayer)

#### God our Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen © Archbishops' Council of the Church of England 2000-2004



# **REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:**

Tuesday	3.30 pm	Life Group at Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock Big Q Church (LATCH) Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney 2482312*)		
		Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy 2482270*)		
		Bell ringing practice (Shipton Gorge) <i>from 24<sup>th</sup> May</i>		
Thursday	•	<b>NO</b> Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock)		
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots Time (Burton Bradstock)		
* Please phone to check if practice is taking place				
ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK				
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Littlebredy APCM at Bridehead		
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Coffee Stop in Burton Bradstock Village Hall		
	10.30am	Long Bredy APCM in the church		
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Spring Concert Setup: Burton Bradstock church		
	9.30 am	Ascension Day Service at Litton Cheney		
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Julian Prayer Group at Swyre		
	5.30 pm	Come Along Inn at Long Bredy Village Hall		
	7.00 pm	Burton Bradstock Music Festival Spring Concert		

## **INVITATION TO BUDDING ARTISTS**

We'd like to feature pen and ink line drawings of our churches on the Source to Sea front cover, on Facebook and Instagram to help us raise awareness of our beautiful buildings with our communities and visitors. Can you help us? Draw one of our Bride Valley Churches and hand your entry in at the church, with your name (and age for children). We will collect them and share the work! For young entrants there is a small prize.

## TRAIDCRAFT COLLAPSE

The folding of the Traidcraft organisation means that the well-supported stall run by Liz Orza at various events will have its last session on 4<sup>th</sup> June after Songs of Praise at Burton Bradstock. This will be a 'Bargain Basement' in aid of the Sudan Medi-Link.

# BELL SUNDAY (today)

St Dunstan is known as the Patron Saint of Bellringers due to his experimentation in early forging of bells in the 900's CE. It is for this reason the nearest Sunday to his feast day (19<sup>th</sup> May) has been chosen to introduce **Bell Sunday**: a day where the contribution of bells and bellringers to the life of the Church is recognised.

It is hoped the day will raise awareness, emphasise the importance of the sound of bells in our Communities and how it can help bring Church and Community together, strengthening relationships between Clergy and Bellringers.

Recently, after an approach from a group at Shipton Gorge, the local branch of the Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers has provided an intensive programme of teaching at Bradpole (teaching centre), Burton Bradstock and Shipton Gorge to enable the group to 'Ring for the King' and beyond (see BVN p26 for more information).

If you are interested in learning to ring, please contact a Tower Captain (a in the weekly diary) who will be pleased to discuss opportunities with you.

Next Sunday	8.00 am	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
	9.30 am	Burton Bradstock Long Bredy	Café Church Morning Worship
21 <sup>st</sup> May	11.00 am	Swyre Puncknowle & Followed by APCM	Morning Worship ⊕ Holy Communion* <i>*All Age</i>
	Psalm 68: NT: 1 Pete		「: Acts 1: 6-14 ospel: John 17: 1-11
	6.00 pm	Litton Cheney	Evensong
Easter 7	Ps: 47 C	T: 2 Samuel 23: 1-5 N	T: Ephesians 1: 15-23
	The <b>telephone service</b> , prepared by The Reverend Ryder Rogers, will be available on <b>01308 293062</b>		

### DATES FOR THE DIARY

21 <sup>st</sup>	APCM at Swyre (after the 11.00 am morning service)	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Benefice AGM (6.45 pm) followed by PCC meetings (7.30 pm at LATCH)	
27 <sup>th</sup>	John Bell Singing Day at Othona (book via the website)	
29 <sup>th</sup>	Burton Bradstock Village Fete (2.00 pm in the Rectory Garden)	
Please check the Bride Valley News for further information and events.		

# BENEFICE AGM AND PCC MEETINGS (22<sup>nd</sup> May at LATCH)

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at LATCH, the AGM of the Benefice Council will be held. This meeting begins at 6.45pm prompt and the doors will be open from 6.30pm. All PCCs are invited to this AGM and this will be followed by simultaneous PCC meetings. Each PCC will be allocated a table on arrival and will be able to discuss the Rector's report and any other PCC matters.

# **GENEROUS GIVING:**

Thank you to everyone who supports the work of our churches through their financial giving, through the various ways that are now possible. We also recognise the time and talent we are fortunate to share. "Yours Lord is the greatness, the glory, the splendour and the majesty. Everything in heaven and on earth come from you and of your own do we give you." *1 Chronicles 29:14* 

