From Source to Sea with the churches of the Bride Valley and Chesil

News

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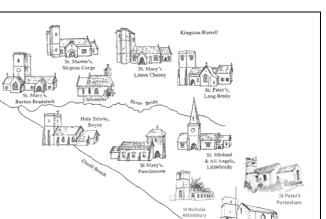
We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially newcomers and visitors on holiday. Please make yourselves known to us and let us know if there is anything we can do to help you enjoy your time in the area.

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

Our ministry team:

- Revd Margaret-Preuss-Higham
- Revd. Liz Howlett
- Revd. Ryder Rogers
- LLM James Webster
- LWL Vicky Thomas
- I WI Paul Cheater
- LWL Heather Goffee
- I WI Diana Ludlow Occasional Visiting Clergy:
- Revd. David Wilson
- Revd. Canon John Wood
- Revd. Jacquie Shaw Revd Prebendary
 - Alastair Wheeler

Weekly 4th February 2024 2nd before Lent



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Call to worship and thought for the week

What a wildly wonderful world, God! You made it all, with Wisdom at your side, made earth overflow with your wonderful creations. Oh, look – the deep, wide sea, brimming with fish past counting ...(Psalm 104 24-25 from the Message)

Priest (part-time) Revd Margaret Preuss-Higham (201305 873978 revmph@gmail.com) All Benefice enquiries during the vacancy to the Benefice Administrator (201308 897260)

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

• The flowering snowdrops reminding us of God's continuing creation

We are grateful for:

• Our musicians bringing life to our worship

Your kingdom come, here and now:

- In the process of appointing a new rector for the Benefice
- Within our schools
- Across our community relationships

Regularly in our prayers:

- Our ministry team as they plan and prepare our worship
- 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 the priest who may already feel called to move to this area.

Specially in our prayers this week:

- Those caught up in conflict and war
- Those dealing with life limiting diseases, their families and teams looking after them
- Puncknowle and all who live and work there

... remembering the families of those who have recently died including *David Jones, Michael Conway, Lesley Keatley, Mary Turnill, Susie Foot and Barbara Moxom.*

COLLECTS FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

- for use in the services or for private prayer

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation

and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Post communion prayer)

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen © Archbishops' Council of the Church of England 2000-2004



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Monday	3.30 pm	Big Q Church at LATCH			
Tuesday	•	Life Group at Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock			
racoday	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney 2482312*)			
Wednesday 4.30 pm		Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy 2482270*)			
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Thursday	•	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock 2898603*)			
Friday	•	Tots Time at Burton Bradstock			
/	3.00 pm	Bible Study Group at Portesham Methodist Hall			
* Plea	* Please phone to check if practice is taking place				
ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK					
Mon 5 th	10.00 am	Coffee morning in the church at Litton Cheney			
	5.00 pm	Burton Bradstock PCC in the church			
Tues 6 th	10.45 am	Cremation: Barbara Moxom at Weymouth			
Wed 7 th	11.30 am	Midweek Communion and light lunch at Burton B			
	12 noon	Burial of Ashes: Frances 'Zoe' Elder at Litton C			
	3.00 pm	Swyre PCC at 4 Green Barton or on Zoom			
Thurs 8 th	10.30 am	Burton Coffee Mates in the church			
Fri 9 th	2.00 pm	Thanksgiving Service: Mike Conway at Burton B			
	2.00 pm	Memorial Service: David Jones at Swyre			
		Curry Night for Portesham Church (SOLD OUT)			
Sat 10 th	10.30 am	Coffee Break in Long Bredy Village Hall			

DIOCESAN LENT MATERIALS

https://www.salisbury.anglican.org/whoweare/making-jesus-known-/lent-2024/

THE DIOCESAN VISION: MAKING JESUS KNOWN 4. CHAMPIONING CLIMATE JUSTICE

Almost every week we are confronted by the scale of the challenge facing humanity from the changing climate. We are called by the prophets to speak up for justice as climate chaos most impacts those with least responsibility for it. As followers of Jesus, we place at the heart of mission the love of our neighbours including those in our link dioceses of the Sudans on the front line of the devastation caused by climate change. As well as advocating for justice in the public square, we have a responsibility to take action for justice through our daily choices as individuals, communities and businesses. What steps has your church already taken to care for the diversity of creation around you? Are you gathering the data on your carbon impact and planning how to reduce carbon emissions? What opportunities of solidarity and action with our neighbours near and far are you able to take forward? What difference will it make? By pledging ourselves to action through **Championing Climate Justice** we will - Make creation care integral to Christian mission in church and school communities

- Achieve Net Zero Carbon (NZC) by 2030, as we all commit and implement the actions of the Diocesan Net Zero Action Plan (presented at Diocesan Synod October 2023)

Achieve silver or higher Eco Church awards for all our church buildings
Use more of our land (owned by PCCs) to actively benefit and restore wildlife www.salisbury.anglican.org/whoweare/making-jesus-known-/

Next Sunday	9.00 am 9.30 am	Abbotsbury Shipton Gorg	BCP Communion e Breakfast Church
		Litton Chene Puncknowle	Holy Communion
	10.00 am	Portesham	Family Praise
11 th Feb	11.00 am	Littlebredy	Holy Communion*
		Burton Brads Langton Herr Swyre	tock Holy Communion ing Holy Communion Morning Worship
Next before			OT: 2 Kings 2: 1-12 Gospel: Mark 9: 2-9
Lent			rovided by the Reverend e on 01308 293062

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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13 th	Shortlisting for the new Rector: 10.30 am at Burton Bradstock				
16^{th}	Come Along Inn: 5.30 pm at Long Bredy Village Hall				
19 th	Annual Spring Clean (and refreshments) from 9.30 am at Litton Cheney				
21 st	Julian Group: 10.00 am at Swyre				
	Coffee Stop: 10.00 am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall				
22 nd	Coffee morning in aid of the Kyiv Bakery: 10.00 am @25 Bindbarrow (BB)				
23 rd	Burial of Ashes: Pat & Francis Blackmore 10.30 am at Burton Bradstock				
	Burial of Ashes: Mary Gilham 11.30 am at Burton Bradstock				
26 th	Visits by potential candidates for the Rector's post				
27 th	Interviews for the new Rector				
Please check the Bride Valley News for further information and events.					

LENT STUDY SUPPORT

The Church of England's Lent theme for 2024 is **Watch and Pray: Wisdom and hope for Lent and life**.

Watch and Pray invites us to seek God in both familiar and unfamiliar places this Lent: in darkness and in quiet; in movement and migration; in the healing and transforming work of the Spirit; in the weeping of Holy Week and in the joy of Easter morning. If you already have an app loaded for the C of E reflections from Christmas, it will transform into a Lent based one in early Feb. <u>www.cofe.io/WatchAndPray</u>

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

Please use this leaflet for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at: http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org Follow the Bride Valley Churches on **Facebook**:

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

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