

A service of Thanksgiving to God for

Her Majesty,

Queen Elizabeth the Second

On the occasion of the

Diamond Jubilee of her reign.

Celebrated in the Churches of the Bride Valley

On Sunday 3rd of June 2012.

St Mary's, Burton Bradstock

St Martin's, Shipton Gorge

St Mary's, Puncknowle

Holy Trinity, Swyre

St Mary's, Litton Cheney

St Peter's, Long Bredy

St Michael and all Angels, Littlebredy

Chilcombe Church

Welcome

The National Anthem

**1. God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the Queen!**

**3. Thy choicest gifts in store
On her be pleased to pour;
Long may she reign;
May she defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the Queen!**

The congregation remains standing to pray:

**ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite:
Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy
chosen servant ELIZABETH, our Queen and Governor, that she
(knowing whose minister she is) may above all things seek thy
honour and glory; and that we, and all her subjects (duly considering
whose authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly
obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and
ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy
Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.**

Hymn— Lord for the years (Hymn No: 310)

The congregation is seated for the reading

Reading — Old Testament Reading Joshua 1 v 1 - 9

The congregation remains seated for the psalm

Verses from psalm 18

Response: I will love thee O Lord, my strength

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

The LORD rewarded me after my righteous dealing,
according to the cleanness of my hands did he recompense me.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

Because I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not forsaken my
God, as the wicked doth.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

For I have an eye unto all his laws, and will not cast out his
commandments from me.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

I was also uncorrupt before him, and eschewed mine own wickedness.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

Therefore the LORD rewarded me after my righteous dealing, *and
according unto the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

With the holy thou shalt be holy, and with a perfect man thou shalt be
perfect.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

With the clean thou shalt be clean, and with the froward thou shalt be froward.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

For thou shalt save the people that are in adversity, and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud.

I will love thee O Lord, my strength

Thou also shalt light my candle; the LORD my God shall make my darkness to be light.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen

The congregation stands for the Gospel reading

Reading— New Testament Reading Romans 13 v 1 - 10

Hymn— Lord, thy word abideth (Hymn No: 318)

Address

The congregation stands for the Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried,
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead,
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body;
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn— The King of love my shepherd is (Hymn No: 484)

Prayers

Beginning with a prayer for the Queen's majesty

O Lord our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth;

most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth; and so replenish her with the grace of thy Holy Spirit,

that she may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: endue her plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant her in health and wealth long to live; strengthen her that she may vanquish and overcome all her enemies; and finally, after this life, she may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ending with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us,

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn — I vow to thee, my country

Blessing

