

From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley



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.

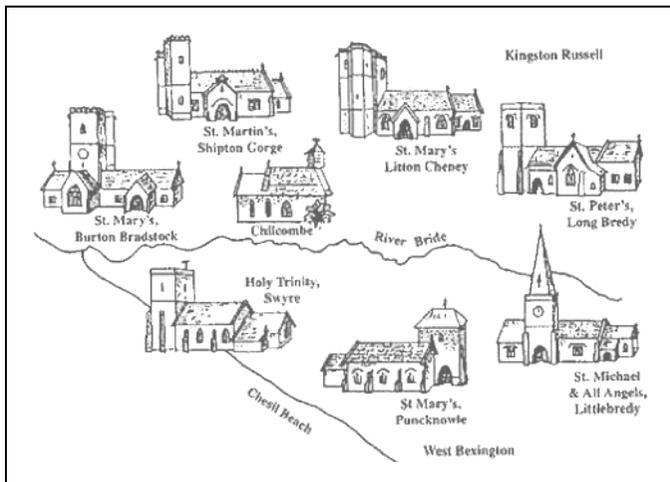
More information about the churches is available on the village websites.

Our ministry team:

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

Weekly News

19th February 2023 Sunday next before Lent



Services today

8.00 am	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Burton Bradstock	Café Church
	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Swyre	Morning Worship
	Long Bredy	Morning Worship
	Puncknowle	Holy Communion*
		*All Age
3.00 pm	Shipton Gorge	Pet Service
	Psalm 2	OT: Exodus 24: 12-end
	NT: 2 Peter 1: 16-end	Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

The **telephone service**, prepared by The Reverend Ryder Rogers, will be available on **01308 293062**

Call to worship and thought for the week:

A light-radiant cloud enveloped them and sounding from deep in the cloud a voice: "This is my Son, marked by my love, focus of my delight. Listen to him"
(*Matthew 17: 5 The Message*)

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- Breakfast Church at Shipton Gorge which is growing and it's great to see how the families take some of the responsibility for the worship.

We are grateful for:

- those who look after our churchyards, cutting the grass and keeping the areas tidy.

Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Jane, Liz, Ryder and James
- Lay Worship Leaders; Vicky, Paul, and Heather
- Bishops Stephen, Karen, and Andrew
- The ongoing General Synod talks
- Those affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, particularly for access to areas which desperately need help
- For Ukrainian people everywhere, as we approach the anniversary of the invasion from Russia
- God's kingdom come, here and now:
 - within our schools
 - across our community relationships
 - for healing and wholeness
- For a new editor for the BVN to come forward
- Littlebredy and all who live and work there
- All those who are dealing with cancer diagnosis and life limiting diseases, their families and also the teams looking after them

... remembering the families of those who have recently died, among them *Alan Houghton, Nigel Hyde and The Reverend Sue Linford.*

COLLECTS FOR SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

- for use in the services or for private prayer

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross:

give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives:

set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Tuesday	10.30 am	Life Group @ Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock
	3.30 pm	Big Q Church (LATCH)
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney)
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
Thursday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots Time (Burton Bradstock)

* Please phone to check if practice is taking place

ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon	20 th	1.00 pm	Funeral: Nigel Hyde at Shipton Gorge
Wed	22 nd	10.00 am	Coffee Stop (Burton Bradstock Village Hall)
		3.00 pm	Holy Communion with Ashing (Swyre)

THE REVEREND SUE LINFORD RIP

It is with sadness we report the sad loss of Sue on Tuesday 14th February. She was a fabulous colleague and a dear friend to many. Sue served the Bride Valley Churches faithfully over many years and will be greatly missed. Funeral details to follow. Please keep Tim and the family in your prayers.

PET SERVICE AT SHIPTON GORGE (today at 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!

LENT GROUPS

For Lent this year we will be using the Church of England's material called "*Dust and Glory*". Jane comments, 'I particularly like the encouragement to "take a fresh look at the frustrations and failings that every day brings and, rather than pretending we can always avoid them, seek to learn from them and grow closer to God through them."' Copies of the booklet are available through Jane and there are also some copies of the children's version to help children and their families explore how we can live well together, offering a simple daily activity designed to explore the weekly themes. We will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings in Burton Bradstock, but would also like to set up another group, maybe elsewhere in the Valley.

BENEFICE TREASURER: VOLUNTEER URGENTLY NEEDED

The Bride Valley Benefice is seeking a volunteer Treasurer, to work with the administrator and have an overview of the administration of the finances for the Benefice. You would need access to a computer, working email and some knowledge of Excel, and have an interest in figures. The Treasurer produces a report of the finances for the Benefice Council meetings (bi-monthly) and an overall report for the year. If you are interested, please contact Reverend Jane Williams, bvrector@outlook.com or the Administrator Helen Fry, bvchurchesta@outlook.com

Next Sunday

26th February

1st Sunday of
Lent

9.30 am **Puncknowle
Swyre & WB
Litton Cheney** Joint
Breakfast Church
Holy Communion*

11.00 am **Burton Bradstock
Littlebredy
Shipton Gorge** Holy Communion
Morning Worship
Holy Communion
**by extension*

Psalm 32 OT: Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7
NT: Romans 5: 12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

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Jane Williams, will be available on **01308 293062**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MARCH

13th Coffee Morning in the Church (9.30 am at Litton Cheney)

15th Coffee Stop (10.00 am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall)

17th Julian Prayer Group (10.00 am at Swyre)

26th APCM at Litton Cheney after the morning service

Please check the **Bride Valley News** for further information and events.

FUNDRAISING FOR THE KYIV BAKERY

Ryder and Heather thank all who came to the coffee morning to support the Bakery in Kyiv, Ukraine, or dropped envelopes through their door. The total raised was **£400**

CHURCH WARDEN ELECTIONS

With Annual Parochial Church Meetings on the horizon, the need for church wardens in our churches is high on the agenda. Burton Bradstock needs one churchwarden and Shipton Gorge needs two. For information about the role, which is not as onerous as it sounds, please contact the Reverend Jane Williams on 01308 898799.

TOWER NEWS

Two learners at Burton are now ringing with the band on practice nights and will soon be able to join in formal occasions. Meanwhile 10 folk from Shipton Gorge have started learning at Burton and Bradpole with a view to forming a band that could ring regularly at Shipton – ideally in time for the Coronation!

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>

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<http://www.facebook.com/bridevalleychurches>

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

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