

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**

**5th March 2023
2nd Sunday of Lent**

DUST +
GLORY
A Lent journey of faith,
failure and forgiveness

Services today

- 9.30 am **Puncknowle** Holy Communion*
Litton Cheney Morning Worship†
**by extension †including baptism*
- 10.30 am **Burton Bradstock** Songs of Praise
- 11.00 am **Long Bredy** Holy Communion
Psalm 121 OT: Genesis 12: 1-4a
NT: Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 Gospel: John 3: 1-17
- 3.00 pm **Swyre** Evening Prayer
Psalm 135 OT: Numbers 21: 4-9 NT: Luke 14: 27-33

The **telephone service**, prepared by The Reverend Jane Williams, will be available on **01308 293062**

Call to worship and thought for the week:

Consider how the wildflowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. *(Luke 12:27)*
From the resource from our Diocese and Eco Church 'Get outside in Lent week 2: Flowers'

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- Our weekly Tots Time, some really lovely families attending and the joy they bring each week

We are grateful for:

- the ministry of the Reverend Sue Linford amongst us and the legacy she leaves
- our church cleaning teams playing a vital role in presenting our churches to visitors and regulars alike - Thank you.

Please pray for:

- Our ministry team: Jane, Liz, Ryder and James
- Lay Worship Leaders; Vicky, Paul, and Heather
- Bishops Stephen, Karen, and Andrew
- For the victims of war, terrorism, conflict or violence
- Those affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, the flooding in Brazil and those in Africa in the face of severe drought
- God's kingdom come, here and now:
 - for the staff and patients of our GP surgeries
 - for those concerned about making ends meet
 - for those feeling isolated and lonely, particularly those who live alone
- For a new editor for the BVN to come forward
- The family of Nancy Wheeler baptised at Litton Cheney today.
- For the village of Long Bredy and all who live and work there
- Local businesses who are coping with uncertain times

... remembering the families of those who have recently died, among them *Evelyn Toogood, Alan Houghton, The Reverend Sue Linford, Winnie Jones, Valerie Martin and Ronald Hayward.*

COLLECTS FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- for use in the services or for private prayer

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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	NO 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

Thurs 9 th	10.30 am	Burton Coffee Mates (in the church)
Fri 10 th	11.00 am	Funeral: Valerie Martin (Swyre)
	2.00 pm	Funeral: Alan Houghton (Burton Bradstock)
	2.00 pm	Tots Time will take place in the Rectory

LENT GROUPS

For Lent this year we are using the Church of England's material called "*Dust and Glory*". 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.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT IN NATURE

Welcome to "Get Outside in Lent." Enjoy being outside, take time to connect with nature, with anyone else you might be sharing this with, and with God. This week's focus is 'flowers' and there are 6 activities to help you reflect on God's goodness. Search '*Get Outside in Lent – Eco Church*' for more information.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

These important meetings will be taking place across the Valley in the next few weeks. To vote at a meeting or to be eligible to join a PCC you must be on the **church's Electoral Roll**. For criteria for eligibility, please see the BVN page 14. If you are not currently on the Electoral Roll and would like to be included, please consult the church wardens or the local Electoral Roll Officer *before the church's deadline for applications*. 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.

Meeting dates (Roll revision deadlines):

Litton Cheney: 26 th March (11 TH March)	Burton Bradstock: 23 rd April (27 th March)
Shipton Gorge: 17 th March	Long Bredy: 17 th May
Littlebredy: 15 th May	Puncknowle: tbc
Swyre: 14 th May	

Next Sunday

12th March

9.30 am	Shipton Gorge	Breakfast Church
	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Littlebredy	Holy Communion
	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
	Swyre	Holy Communion*

**by extension*

Psalms 95

NT: Romans 5: 1-11

OT: Exodus 17: 1-7

Gospel: John 4: 5-42

3rd Sunday of Lent

6.30 pm	Burton Bradstock	Evening Prayer
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Psalms 40

OT: Joshua 1: 1-9

NT: Ephesians 6: 10-20

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 13th Coffee Morning in the Church (9.30 am at Litton Cheney)
- 15th Coffee Stop with the School (10.00 am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall)
- 17th Julian Prayer Group (10.00 am at Swyre)
- 18th Come Along Inn (5.30 pm at Long Bredy Village Hall)
- 26th APCM at Litton Cheney after the morning service

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

IS MOTHERING SUNDAY DIFFICULT FOR YOU?

On **Saturday 18th March** at 3-4pm in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock, we are offering a safe space for those who find Mothering Sunday difficult. Whatever your story, whether you're grieving the loss of a mother, the loss of a child, or a baby through miscarriage, whether you're struggling with infertility or childlessness, singleness or a difficult relationship, whether you never even knew your mother or any other reason why you might find Mothering Sunday painful, this quiet, reflective space has been designed with you in mind. It will be an informal gathering, either to sit quietly, to light a candle, say a prayer or to chat over a cuppa. For further info please contact bvchurchesta@outlook.com

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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