

# 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**

**12<sup>th</sup> March 2023  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

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

### Services today

9.30 am	<b>Shipton Gorge</b>	Breakfast Church
	<b>Litton Cheney</b>	Holy Communion
11.00 am	<b>Littlebredy</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>Swyre</b>	Holy Communion*
	<i>*by extension</i>	

Psalm 95

NT: Romans 5: 1-11

OT: Exodus 17: 1-7

Gospel: John 4: 5-42

6.30 pm	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Evening Prayer
	Psalm 40	OT: Joshua 1: 1-9
		NT: Ephesians 6: 10-20

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

### Call to worship and thought for the week:

The Lord God made all kinds of trees grow from the soil, every tree that was pleasing to look at and good for food. (*Genesis 2:9*)

*From the resource from our Diocese and Eco Church 'Get outside in Lent week 3: Soil'.*

*Search 'Get Outside in Lent - Eco Church' for more information.*

**Rector:** The Reverend Jane Williams, The Rectory, Church Street, Burton Bradstock (☎01308 898799)

## **For our prayers:**

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

- A joyful baptism service for Baby Nancy at Litton Cheney

### **We are grateful for:**

- our sidespeople and all who ensure there is a good welcome

### **Please pray for:**

- Our ministry team: Jane, Liz, Ryder and James
- Lay Worship Leaders; Vicky, Paul, and Heather
- Bishops Stephen, Karen, and Andrew
- For refugees, all who live in fear and without a home
- Those affected by the extremes of weather conditions
- God's kingdom come, here and now:
  - across our benefice
  - across the churches of Abbotsbury, Portesham and Langton Herring
  - for the consultation process
- For a new editor for the BVN to come forward
- For the village of Litton Cheney and all who live and work there, including staff and pupils at Thorner's School
- All those for whom life is particularly stressful for whatever reason

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

## **COLLECTS FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

**Almighty God**, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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

**Eternal God**, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Merciful Lord**, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



## REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Tuesday	10.30 am	Life Group @ the Rectory
	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	<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	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Coffee Morning at Litton Cheney (in the church)
Wed	15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Coffee Stop (School): Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Fri	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Julian Prayer Group at Swyre
		11.30 am	APCM at Shipton (in the church)
		5.30 pm	Come Along Inn (Long Bredy Village Hall)
Sat	18 <sup>th</sup>	3.00 pm	Time for those who find Mothering Sunday difficult

## ARLO'S POEM CELEBRATING THE REVEREND SUE LINFORD

The Reverend Sue Linford's grandson, Arlo (aged 6), wrote a moving poem celebrating his grandmother which was shared at her funeral. We share it here as a tribute to her.

*Out in the garden blackberry picking. Blackberries, black as the night sky*

*In the field feeding the sheep and jumping over sheep poo*

*White wool, white as snow*

*In the garden feeding the chickens, feathers as brown as brown could be*

*Nana's faith was so strong.*

*I made her a nativity out of fimo. It didn't take long*

*In my Nana's last few days we played cheese or chocolate? chicken or beef? Up or down? Snickers or Mars? It made her smile as wide as a rainbow.*

## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

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<sup>th</sup> March (11<sup>TH</sup> March)    Burton Bradstock: 23<sup>rd</sup> April (27<sup>th</sup> March)

Shipton Gorge: 17<sup>th</sup> March                      Long Bredy: 17<sup>th</sup> May                      Littlebredy: 15<sup>th</sup> May

Puncknowle: 16th April                      Swyre: 14th May

## 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*

<b>Next Sunday</b>	8.00 am	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Holy Communion
	9.30 am	<b>Litton Cheney</b> <b>Burton Bradstock</b> <b>Long Bredy</b>	Morning Prayer Café Church Morning Worship
<b>19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	11.00 am	<b>Swyre</b> <b>Shipton Gorge</b> <b>Puncknowle</b>	Morning Worship Mothering Sunday Holy Communion* <i>*all age</i>
<b>Mothering Sunday</b>		Psalm 34: 11-20 NT: Colossians 3: 12-17	OT: Exodus 2: 1-10 Gospel: John 19: 25b-27
		The <b>telephone service</b> , prepared by The Reverend Ryder Rogers, will be available on <b>01308 293062</b>	

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

26th APCM at Litton Cheney after the morning service

#### APRIL

2nd Bride Valley Bring and Share Lunch (12.30 pm Burton Bradstock Village Hall)

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

### MOTHERING SUNDAY

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](mailto:bvchurchesta@outlook.com)

### REDUCING THE CHURCH'S CARBON FOOTPRINT

The Church of England has prioritised carbon reduction across all its churches and is providing a series of webinars going back to basics; what is the Church's carbon footprint and how to we know, how does the Energy Footprint Tool work, and what does Net Zero Carbon look like for a diocese, a church, and a school? They will make great start points, or valuable refreshers, for anyone interested in the Church's work to cut our carbon footprint and help to safeguard creation in very practical ways. Search 'Church of England Environment Webinars' for dates and more information.

*Please use this leaflet for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at:*

<http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org>

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and on A Church Near You: [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

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