

From Source to Sea, through the Bride Valley

Sunday 29 March 2020
5th Sunday of Lent

COLLECT & POST COMMUNION

For use in the services or private prayer

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

READINGS for today

Psalm: 130

Old Testament: Ezekiel 37 v 1-14

New Testament: Romans 8 v 6-11

Gospel: John 11 v 1-45

Evening

Psalm: 30

1st reading: Lamentations 3 v 19-33

2nd reading: Matthew 20 v 17-end

DURING THE WEEK

ALL PUBLIC WORSHIP IS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED AND CHURCHES ARE CLOSED TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS – this is in line with the Government's instructions.

There will be no weddings or baptisms. Funerals can still take place at a crematorium or at the graveside with a restricted number of close family only. Log on the website

www.churchofengland.org

THE ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS SAY: "stay at home but continue to pray, to love, to care for the vulnerable."

A prayer for all those affected by coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord,

under the shadow of your mercy.

Sustain and support the anxious,

be with those who care for the sick,

and lift up all who are brought low;

that we may find comfort

knowing that nothing can separate us from your love

in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

FROM THE RECTOR

Please be assured that as a ministry team we are continuing to pray for you all on a daily basis, I am trying to keep in touch, by phone or email, with as many as possible. If you are aware of anyone in particular need please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the team as appropriate. I am sending the Order of Service that I will be using from the Rectory on Sunday at 9.30am, please join me as you are able and afterwards why not ring those you know to let them know you care and have been praying for them. God bless, Jane

PLEASE STAY SAFE AND STAY AT HOME TO PROTECT THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE – up-to-date advice can be found on the website www.gov.uk/coronavirus The current guidelines are strict and will be reviewed in 3 weeks.

Benefice
Churches

From
the source

Littlebredy

Long Bredy

Litton
Cheney

Puncknowle

Swyre

Chilcombe

Shipton Gorge

Burton
Bradstock

To the sea

VALLEY NOTICES

LIGHTING A CANDLE AS A SYMBOL OF HOPE – Reverend Philip Ringer is lighting a candle and placing it in a window each evening at 9.00pm for a time of silent prayer. He invites everyone to join him in doing the same in your own homes.

LICENSING OF THE REVEREND ELIZABETH HOWLETT ON 5TH APRIL AT 3PM

We are still planning to go ahead with the licensing service remotely via ZOOM, an online facility which enables people to see each other. An order of service will be sent out next week and details of how to join the service ONLINE, please note the earlier time of 3pm. Please pray for Liz this week as she prepares to join us.

FAIRTRADE 'The Real Easter Egg' – Liz Orza has a number of Easter Eggs for sale, milk chocolate £4.50 and plain chocolate £5.00. If you would like to buy an egg/s please telephone Liz on 07799-333205 to arrange collection/delivery.

THE OTHONA COMMUNITY - have offered to do any shopping or delivering to those in the Bride Valley who are unable to do so for themselves. Telephone 01308-897130.

BURTON BRADSTOCK POST OFFICE & FARM SHOP – are offering to deliver shopping to anyone in any of the Bride Valley villages. Orders will be taken on:
Mondays between 9am – 12 noon for a Wednesday morning delivery
Wednesdays between 9am – 12 noon for a Friday morning delivery
Minimum spend £10 to be paid for by card over the telephone when placing an order
OR in cash when the groceries are delivered to you.
Telephone Gill Mayo on 01308-897243.

Some words for you think about at this time

When this is over may we never again take for granted:

A handshake from a stranger
Full shelves at the store
Conversations with neighbours
A crowded theatre
Friday night out
The taste of communion
A routine check-up
The school rush each morning
Coffee with a friend
The stadium roaring
Each deep breath
A boring Tuesday
Life itself.

When this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people
we wanted to be
we were called to be
we hoped to be
and may we stay That way – better for each other because of the worst.

(Laura Kelly Fanucci)

EMAIL ADDRESSES – please try to receive this notice sheet via email rather than printed copy. Give your email address to your churchwarden who will then send you a copy each week. Ask your friends and neighbours to do the same, or forward a copy to them yourself.