

From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley and Chesil



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 area.

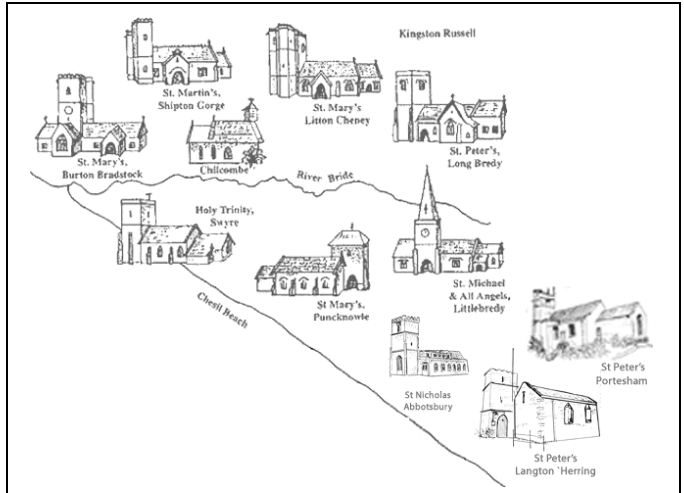
More information about the churches is available on the village websites.

Our ministry team:

- *Revd Margaret-Preuss-Higham*
- *Revd. Liz Howlett*
- *Revd. Ryder Rogers*
- *LLM James Webster*
- *LWL Vicky Thomas*
- *LWL Paul Cheater*
- *LWL Heather Goffee*
- *LWL Diana Ludlow*
- Occasional Visiting Clergy:
- *Revd. David Wilson*
- *Revd. Canon John Wood*
- *Revd. Jacquie Shaw*
- *Revd Prebendary Alistair Wheeler*

**Weekly
News**

**19th November 2023
Second before Advent**



Services Today

8.00 am	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
	Burton Bradstock	Café Church
	Long Bredy	Morning Worship
10.00 am	Langton Herring	Family Praise
11.00 am	Portesham	Parish Communion
	Swyre	Morning Worship
	Puncknowle	Holy Communion*
		*all age

Psalm 90: 1-8

OT: Zephaniah 1: 76, 12-end

NT: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30

The **telephone service**, provided by Revd Ryder Rogers will be available on **01308 293062**

Call to worship and thought for the week:

God didn't set us up for an angry rejection but for salvation by our Master, Jesus Christ. He died for us; a death that triggered life. Whether we're awake with the living or asleep with the dead, we're *alive* with him! (1 Thess 5: 9 from *The Message*)

Priest (part-time) Revd Margaret Preuss-Higham (☎01305 873978 revmph@gmail.com)

All Benefice enquiries during the vacancy to the Benefice Administrator (☎01308 897260)

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- The opportunities to develop new relationships across our wider Benefice

We are grateful for:

- Our bell ringers who practise and call us to worship each week

Your kingdom come, here and now:

- Within our government
- Across all areas of decision making - for wisdom and discernment
- Across our benefice as we work together in mission

Regularly in our prayers:

- Our ministry team as they plan and prepare our worship
- Lay Pastoral Assistants: Pauline, Cathryn, Jenny and Liz
- Bishops: Stephen, Karen, and Andrew, Archdeacon: Penny
- Bishop Rufus and the diocese of Lainya in Sudan during this time of unrest

Specially in our prayers this week:

- All those affected by natural disasters
- Those caught up in conflict and war
- Those who fear not being able to afford to heat their homes
- Those dealing with long-term illness
- For the priest who may already feel called to move to this area.
- Portesham and all who live and work there including in the school

... remembering the families of those who have recently died

COLLECTS FOR 2nd BEFORE ADVENT

- for use in the services or for private prayer

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Post communion prayer)

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Tuesday	10.30 am	Life Group at Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock
	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney ☎482312*)
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
	6.00 pm	Bell ringing training: new learners (Shipton Gorge)
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Shipton Gorge ☎07799751130*)
Thursday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots Time at Burton Bradstock
	3.00 pm	Bible Study Group at Portesham Methodist Hall

** Please phone to check if practice is taking place*

ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon	20 th	6.00 pm	Burton Bradstock PCC in the church
Tues	21 st	1.00 pm	PSWB+ Lunch Club in Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	22 nd	10.00 am	Coffee Stop for the Post Office in BB Village Hall

REVD LIZ HOWLETT'S RESEARCH IN THE US

Don't forget to check out Liz's blogs of her fascinating trip to the US and subsequent thoughts at <https://lizhowlett.substack.com/>.

FOLLOW THE STAR – JOIN THE SONG!

This year's theme for Advent and Christmas is 'Follow the Star: Join the Song'. It aims to highlight how singing can help draw us closer to God and each other through the journey from Advent to Epiphany. Explaining the theme, Archbishops Justin Welby and Stephen Cottrell said, "The shepherds were astonished to find the night sky filled with angels singing God's praise. And before long they were singing, too ... Centuries later, singing is still central to how many of us celebrate Christmas. "We invite you this Christmas to follow the star, journey to the manger, join the song and come into the presence of Jesus Christ."

Join us on our Facebook page or search for Follow the Star: Join the Song on the Church of England's website to hear a special version of *The First Nowell*, composed especially for this year.

Watch out for the new graphic on Source to Sea!

CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY IN PORTESHAM VILLAGE HALL

TODAY, Sunday 19th November 2.30 -4.30 pm. A Christmas-themed fundraising tea hosted by St.Peter's church Portesham,with raffle, tombola, delicious cakes and Christmas gifts for sale. Sit and chat with friends old and new.

CONCERT WITH GRANTISEK BRIKCLUS: PORTESHAM CHURCH

On Tuesday 28th November @7.30pm there is the opportunity to hear some glorious cello solo classics played by an internationally acclaimed cellist. For tickets £15 – please contact Julie Mason 01305 871117. Bar and refreshments available.

PORTESHAM VILLAGE CAFÉ (FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S)

The Friends of St Peter's Church are holding a Village Café and Photographic Exhibition in the Village Hall on Saturday 2nd December from 10.00 am to 12 noon.

Next Sunday

26th Nov

Christ the
King

9.00 am	Portesham	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Abbotsbury	Family Praise
11.00 am	Shipton Gorge	Holy Communion*
	Littlebredy	Morning Worship
	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
	Puncknowle	Café Church
		<i>*by extension</i>
7.30 pm	Langton Herring	Evening Prayer

Psalm 95: 1-7

NT: Ephesians 1: 15-end

OT: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24

Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-end

The **telephone service**, provided by Daily Hope will be available on **0800 804 8044**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

27th Benefice Council meeting: 7.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall

28th Litton Cheney PCC (9.30 am in the church)

Frantisek Brikclus (cello): 7.30 pm in Portesham Church (☎ 01305 871117)

DECEMBER

2nd St Andrew's Day Coffee Morning and Raffle: 10.30 am Swyre church

Friends of St Peter's Portesham Village Café: 10.00 am in the Village Hall

3rd Darkness to Light: 6.00 pm Choral Evensong for Advent at Litton Cheney

4th Littlebredy PCC: 6.30 pm at the Old Parsonage

6th Midweek Communion and Light Lunch: 11.30 am at Burton Bradstock

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

MAKING JESUS KNOWN

- is the vision for our Diocese and all our parishes. Keep up to date with the events:

www.salisbury.anglican.org/whoweare/making-jesus-known/

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

BENEFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Please confine calls, if at all possible, *to school hours*. Email is always a great option for contact and Helen will respond as quickly as she can (bvchurchesta@outlook.com).

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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