

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*
- *LWL Vicky Thomas*
- *LWL Paul Cheater*
- *LWL Heather Goffee*
- *LWL Diana Ludlow*
- *LWL Jethro Truscott*

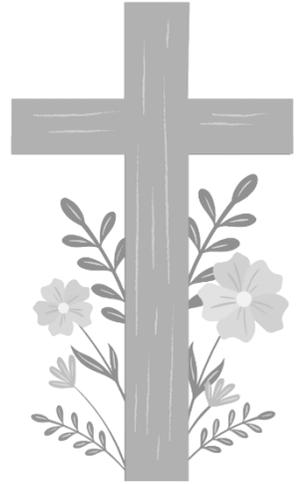
Occasional Visiting
Clergy:

- *Revd. David Wilson*
- *Revd. Canon John Wood*
- *Revd Prebendary Alastair Wheeler*

**Weekly
News**

**14th April 2024
3rd Sunday of Easter**

*He is
risen!*



Services Today

9.00 am	Abbotsbury	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Litton Cheney Shipton Gorge Puncknowle	Morning Worship Breakfast Church Holy Communion
10.00 am	Portesham	Family Praise
11.00 am	Langton Herring Littlebredy Burton Bradstock Swyre	Parish Communion Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Worship

Psalm 4
NT: 1 John 3: 1-7

Acts: Acts 3: 12-19
Gospel: Luke 24: 36b-48

Call to worship and thought for the week

I have God's more-than-enough, more joy in one ordinary day than they get in all their shopping sprees. At day's end I'm ready for sound sleep, for you, God, have put my life back together. (*Psalm 4: 7-8 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:

- Our ministry team, augmented by retired clergy who we thank especially for enabling us to celebrate Holy Communion more widely

We are grateful for:

- Our Open the Book, Big Q Church, Tots teams and foundation governors

Your kingdom come, here and now:

- Across our Benefice as we continue to celebrate the joy of the resurrection
- In our schools as they return from the holidays

Regularly in our prayers:

- Revd Andrew Rawding, his wife Loveday and family, preparing to join us
- 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

Specialty in our prayers this week:

- Those suffering because of war or natural disasters
- Those with life-limiting diseases and those caring for them
- Littlebredy and all who live and work there

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

COLLECTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- for use in the services or for private prayer

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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

Risen Christ,

you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

(Post communion prayer)

Living God,

your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Monday	3.30 pm	Big Q Church at LATCH
Tuesday	10.30 am	Life Group at Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock
	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney ☎482312*)
Wednesday	4.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Shipton Gorge ☎07799751130*)
Thursday	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Abbotsbury)
	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 (HOLY WEEK)

Tues	16 th	1.00 pm	PSWB+ Lunch Club in Puncknowle Village Hall
Wed	17 th	10.00 am	Julian Group meets at Swyre
Fri	19 th	5.30 pm	Come Along Inn at Long Bredy Village Hall
Sat	20 th	9.30 am	Swyre Church Garden Angels meet
		4.30 pm	Visiting bell ringers (Yeovil) at Burton Bradstock
Sun	21 st	10.45 am	Burton Bradstock APCM after the morning service

OUR NEW RECTOR

Revd Andrew Rawding will be taking part in the London Marathon on Sunday 21st April. He took part (aged 30) in 2000 and finished in 2 hrs 58 mins. He's hoping to beat that time this year! As a result of his service as Padre to 40 Commando Royal Marines in Afganistan in 2010 and the fact that several of the Marines later lost their lives to suicide he is running on behalf of the Samaritans. He would welcome any support by way of sponsorship. The link to the online sponsorship facility is:

<https://2024tcs londonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/andrew-rawding-d7d5e>

CHURCHES AND THE BIODIVERSITY CRISIS

The General Synod has backed a series of measures to promote biodiversity on Church of England land from churchyards as havens of wildlife and plants to the stewardship of agricultural and forestry land.

Members of the Synod welcomed progress already made by the Church Commissioners, the National Church Institutions, dioceses, parishes, cathedrals and schools to manage their land for climate and nature.

The Synod approved further action to increase biodiversity including work towards drawing up environmental policy and land management plans for Dioceses and the recording of biodiversity in church green spaces.

Further information about how the church plans to achieve *net zero carbon by 2023* is available at www.churchofengland.org/about/church-england-environment-programme

You can also sign up to receive the regular *Church of England Environment Bulletin* with information about what is already being achieved and ideas for future action.

Next Sunday

9.30 am

**Litton Cheney
Burton Bradstock
Long Bredy**

Matins
Café Church
Morning Worship

21st April

10.00 am

Langton Herring

Family Praise

**4th Sunday
of Easter**

11.00 am

**Portesham
Swyre**

Parish Communion
Holy Communion

Psalms 23

NT: 1 John 3: 16-24

Acts: Acts 4: 5-12

Gospel: John 10: 11-18

DATES FOR THE DIARY

16th PSWB+ Lunch Club: 1.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall

17th Julian Group meets at Swyre: 10.00 am

19th Tots returns at Burton Bradstock: 2.00 pm

Come Along Inn: 5.30 pm at Long Bredy Village Hall

20th Swyre Church Garden Angels: 9.30 am at the church

21st Burton Bradstock APCM: 10.45 am after café church

22nd Shipton Gorge APCM: 2.00 pm at the church

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

MINISTRY OF WELCOME

A gentle reminder following a recent regrettable incident when visitors felt uncomfortable and judged to be dressed other than in their 'Sunday best' causing them to leave early. We enjoy many visitors attending our services at this time of year. Please make them feel welcome and, for instance, invite them to join in coffee afterwards (where appropriate) rather than just expecting them to stay. All are welcome in our churches however they are dressed.

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 comes from you and of your own do we give you.*" 1 Chronicles 29:14

BENEFICE ADMINISTRATOR ON LEAVE

Helen will be on leave until Monday 15th April. She will only be available for especially urgent matters by phone or email (preferred) during that time.

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/bridevalleyandchesilchurches>

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

Daily Hope – the free service from the CofE is available on **0800 804 8044**

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