

From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley Benefice



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.

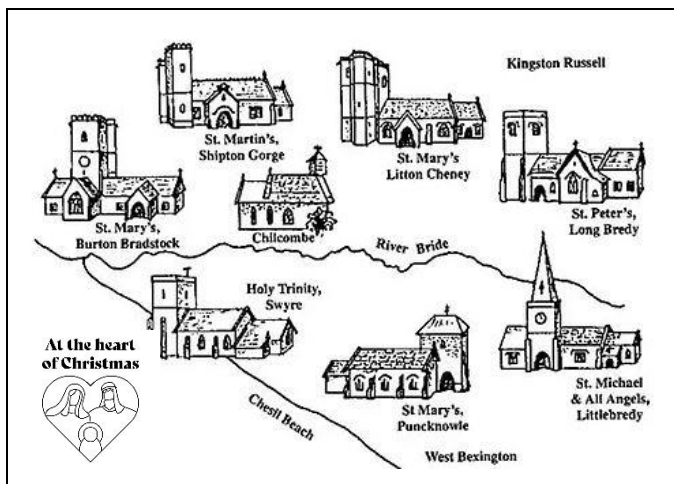
More information about the churches is available on the village websites.

Our ministry team:

- *The Reverend Jane Williams*
- *The Reverend Sue Linford*
- *The Reverend Liz Howlett*
- *The Reverend Ryder Rogers*
- *LLM Mike Read*
- *LLM James Webster*
- *LWL Janet Lane*
- *LWL Vicky Thomas*
- *LWL Paul Cheater*
- *LWL Heather Goffee*

**Weekly
News**

**12th December 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent**



Services today:

9.30am	Shipton Gorge	Breakfast Church
9.30am	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
11.00am	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
11.00am	Littlebredy	Holy Communion
11.00am	Swyre	Holy Communion
	Zephaniah 3:14-20	NT: Philippians 4:4-7
	Gospel: Luke 3:7-18	
5.00pm	Puncknowle	Carol Service

Please remember that face coverings now need to be worn indoors.

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

Call to worship and thought for the week:

"He's going to clean house – make a clean sweep of your lives. He'll place everything true in its proper place before God; everything false he'll put out with the trash to be burned." (*Luke 3 17 paraphrase from The Message*)

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

Please pray for:



- Our ministry team: Jane, Sue, Liz, Ryder, Mike, and James
- Bishops Andrew & Karen <http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/news>
- All the churches in our Benefice – serving Christ in the Valley
- Those constructing and those visiting the Advent windows across the valley
- The family and friends of *Jane Mear* whose ashes were buried at Littlebredy, of *Marion Dewey* whose funeral was last week and *Peter Upjohn* whose funeral is this week.
- Those suffering in the aftermath of recent storms in the UK
- Our Salisbury Diocesan Link with the Sudan
- Those caught up in the aftermath of terrorist attacks and wars
- The refugee crisis: for those risking their lives to flee conflicts across the world and for those endeavouring to provide for them in other countries including the UK

Those who are ill or housebound (especially those known to you)

... & remember those who have died, especially & their families & friends

TOTS TIME

Tots Time will resume on Friday 7th January at 2.00 pm at Burton Bradstock.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS continue on ZOOM each Monday evening at 8pm.

Please join us for around 15 mins of informal thoughts and preparation for Christmas.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82338601240?pwd=dW93QnJ4M1p5b1c1M1hzTWN4VjhBQT09>

Meeting ID: 823 3860 1240 Passcode: 180461

PRAYER AS THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE IS LIT

Lord Jesus, light of the world, John told the people to prepare, for you were very near. As Christmas grows closer day by day, help us to be ready to welcome you now. Amen.

COLLECTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- for use in the services or for private prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

God for whom we watch and wait,

you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.



DURING THE WEEK:

Mon	13 th	3.00 pm	Carols by the tree (BB School) †
		3.30 pm	Big Q Church after school group at LATCH
		8.00 pm	Advent Reflections (Zoom)
Tues	14 th	1.00 pm	PSWB Lunch Club (Puncknowle)
		7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney)
Wed	15 th		Thorner's Nativity (Parents only to attend)
		6.00 pm	Carol Singing round the Village (Shipton Gorge)
		7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
Thurs	16 th	1.00 pm	Funeral of Peter Upjohn (Swyre) BB School Carol Service (Pupils & staff only)
		6.30 pm	Carol Singing with the Litton Cheney Choir
		7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Fri	17 th	2.00 pm	NO Tots Time at Burton Bradstock
		5.30 pm	Come Along Inn (Long Bredy)
		6.30 pm	Carol Singing with the Litton Cheney Choir

* Please phone to check if practice is taking place † All welcome to join from the churchyard

ADVENT WINDOWS

It's been a wonderful first week of advent windows! We hope you are enjoying visiting the homes and businesses of Shipton, Burton Bradstock and Puncknowle. If you are a Burton Bradstock resident, you can also view the windows on the village website! bvchurchesta@outlook.com for further information or to take part.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the cash collections at the Remembrance Sunday services at Burton Bradstock. The sum of £225 was raised for the RBL.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Don't forget the **special festive recital** St Martin's, Shipton Gorge, on Tuesday 21st December at 6.00 pm by Anya Chomacki (mezzo soprano) and Oliver Hooper (tenor) accompanied by David Bass on the piano. Entrance is free and there will be a retiring collection for church funds. Seating is 'first come, first served'.

CELEBRATION AND GRATITUDE

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- We rejoice that our weekly telephone service is not only enjoyed locally by those who are unable to attend services in person but also those from the Valley who have moved away and wish to remain in touch. Thanks to Jane, Ryder, Sue and Liz for preparing/recording it each week.
- We are grateful for all those who care for our churches at Christmas, either by cleaning them, making sure they are open daily or decorating for Christmas

Next Sunday	9.30am	Burton Bradstock	<i>Outside Family</i> Nativity/Christingle
	9.30am	Long Bredy	Morning Worship & Carols
19th Dec	11.00am	Swyre	Morning Worship
	11.00am	Puncknowle	All Age Communion
		Psalm 80: 1-8 NT: Hebrews 10:5-10	OT: Micah 5:2-5a Gospel: Luke 1:39-55
4th Sunday of Advent	5.00pm	Litton Cheney	Carol Service
	5.00pm	Shipton Gorge	Carol Service
	6.30pm	Burton Bradstock	<i>Outside</i> Carol Service

DATES FOR THE DIARY

DECEMBER

20th Carols at the Crown (7.00 pm Puncknowle)

21st Festive Recital (6.00 pm St Martin's Shipton Gorge)

JANUARY

8th Branch meeting of Diocesan Guild of Ringers (3pm Long Bredy)

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

DEDICATION OF GIFTS AND GIFT AID

In dedicating our offertory, we not only recognise those gifts donated through the offertory plate but also those given through standing orders and by any visitors to their home churches as we all dedicate ourselves in God's service. If you are a tax payer and are able to do so, you might use one of the Gift Aid envelopes for your offering. There are various ways of donating to each church, including QR codes – please check with the treasurer for more information.

PASTORAL ASSISTANTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Pastoral Assistants are available for visiting. If you or anyone you know would like such a visit, please contact Jane Williams on 01308 898799

If there is someone that you would like to be included in our prayers for the sick, please contact Liz Howlett on 07851032454 or a Churchwarden.

CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING:

If you would like to have a church floodlit for a baptism or wedding, or in memory of someone, please speak to the following: **Burton Bradstock** (Chrissie Bailey ☎897603 or Peter Broomhead ☎897408) **Shipton Gorge** (Phyl Webster ☎898657) **Litton Cheney** (Freddie Spicer ☎482617)

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at:

<http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org>

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