

# From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley and Chesil

Weekly News: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2026 – Trinity 3

## SERVICES TODAY



### Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week.

9.30 am	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Café Church
	<b>Litton Cheney</b>	Morning Worship
	<b>Long Bredy</b>	Morning Worship
	<b>Langton Herring</b>	Holy Communion
10.00 am	<b>Abbotsbury</b>	Morning Worship
11.00 am	<b>Portesham</b>	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	<b>Swyre</b>	Evening Prayer

## 28th June: Trinity 4

<b>Our ministry team:</b>	8.00 am	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Holy Communion
<i>Revd Andrew Rawding (Rector)</i>	9.30 am	<b>Burton Bradstock</b>	Family Breakfast
<i>Revd. Ryder Rogers</i>	10.00 am	<b>Abbotsbury</b>	Morning Worship
<i>LWL Vicky Thomas</i>	11.00 am	<b>Puncknowle</b>	Café Church
<i>LWL Paul Cheater</i>		<b>Littlebredy</b>	Holy Communion
<i>LWL Diana Ludlow</i>		<b>Shipton Gorge</b>	Holy Communion
<b>Occasional visiting clergy:</b>	4.00 pm	<b>LATCH</b>	Community Fellowship
<i>Revd Edward Tildesley</i>	6.00 pm	<b>Langton Herring</b>	Outdoor Service
<i>LLM Paul Rendell</i>			
<i>Revd Canon John Wood</i>			

Psalm: 13

OT: Genesis 32: 1-14

NT: Romans 6: 12-end

Gospel: Matthew 10: 40 - end

### For our prayers:

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

- The joyful families and friends of the two children baptised in our churches last Sunday

#### We are most grateful for:

- Our treasurers who work tirelessly throughout the year to keep track of our finances
- Our ministry team and those visiting clergy/LLMs supporting our Benefice by taking services

#### Specially in our prayers this week:

- Cameron Murless and Paige Wakely who were married yesterday
- The families of Phoebe Hurley and Ottilie Crisp who were baptised last week
- Our Benefice as we pray about the advertisement and appointment of a new house for duty priest
- The families and friends of those who have suffered from strokes and the anxiety and uncertainty this causes
- Langton Herring and all who live and work there
- Recently bereaved families and friends including *Sheila Fry, Mary Toms, Dan Kelly and Kenneth Cunningham*

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### **COLLECTS: TRINITY 3** *(for use in services/in private prayer)*

**Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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**

**God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

*Post Communion Prayer*

**O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen**

### **Old Testament Reading:** Genesis 21: 8-21

*Hagar and Ishmael Sent Away*

<sup>8</sup> The child grew and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. <sup>9</sup> But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. <sup>10</sup> So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' <sup>11</sup> The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. <sup>12</sup> But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. <sup>13</sup> As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' <sup>14</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered about in the wilderness of Beersheba.

<sup>15</sup> When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. <sup>16</sup> Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. <sup>17</sup> And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. <sup>18</sup> Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' <sup>19</sup> Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

<sup>20</sup> God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. <sup>21</sup> He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

### **New Testament Reading:** Romans 6: 1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

## **Gospel Reading: Matthew 10: 24-39**

A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup> So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. <sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup> Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. <sup>34</sup> Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup> and one's foes will be members of one's own household. <sup>37</sup> Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

## **LANGTON HERRING COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Under the leadership of choirmaster David Burles, fourteen members of Langton Herring village joined voices to give a very successful Community Choir concert at St Peter's Church, Langton Herring. The programme included a clarinet solo by Jem Stagg, a bassoon solo by David Burles, and the recital of a poem written and read by Bronwen Pearson. After the concert there was a shared breakfast meal in the village hall. The final concert song was 'Lean on Me' by Bill Withers arr. Jack Zaino, which David described as capturing the essence of their supportive village. Well done to David and to all involved.

## **A NIGHT AT THE OPERA AT SHIPTON GORGE- *A Night to Remember***

An absolutely brilliant evening of entertainment was had at St Martin's on 13th June, with more than 100 audience members packing out the church. Visiting opera stars Daniel and Cheryl joined Ian to perform a fantastic programme filled with much-loved opera favourites. After a gorgeously summery picnic interval in the churchyard, the fun continued with more music, laughter, light-hearted theatrics, and even a bit of audience participation — including singing and dancing!

Thanks to the generosity of everyone who attended, £1,447 has been raised towards maintaining and preserving this beautiful church.

## **ENERGY FOOTPRINT TOOL DEADLINE**

Please note that the deadline for submitting the 2025 data in the Diocesan Energy Footprint tool is **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June**. This is an essential prerequisite for application for any grants from the National Church and other awarding bodies and therefore unlocks the potential for energy-saving improvements to our churches. Further information is available by searching for 'Energy Footprint Tool'.

## **PILGRIMAGE OF PEACE FOR ST JAMES' DAY: 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

St James was the dedication of the chapel, now just visible, at Kingston Russell House, the birthplace of Thomas Masterman Hardy, so we are marking St James' Day in and around that area. This PoP will start at 2.00 pm at the telephone box junction in Long Bredy, taking in the magnificent countryside around that area and include the footpath to the north of Kingston Russell house. Everyone is welcome to come along! The walk will be about one to one and half hours. Dogs on leads please.

## REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday	10.15 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 ☎07581050910*)
Thursday	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Abbotsbury ☎07791256443*)
	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots' Time: Burton Bradstock ( <i>Term Time</i> )
	3.00 pm	Bible Study Group at Portesham Methodist Hall

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

## ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun	21 <sup>st</sup>	Langebride Gardens open at Long Bredy (in aid of church funds)
Fri	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am Warm welcome café at Portesham Village Hall
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm Burial of Ashes: Tim Molton at Shipton Gorge

## THANK YOU FOR GENEROUS GIVING

Thank you to everyone who supports the work of our churches by 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)

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

30<sup>th</sup> Litton Cheney PCC: 9.30 am in the church

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2<sup>nd</sup> BCP Communion and light lunch: 11.30 am at Portesham

2<sup>nd</sup> Shipton Gorge Community Choir Concert: 5.30 pm in the church

5<sup>th</sup> Benefice Shared Lunch: 12.30 pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall

6<sup>th</sup> Ministry Team: 10.00 am at Othona

8<sup>th</sup> Coffee Stop: 10.00 am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall

8<sup>th</sup> Warm welcome café in Portesham Methodist Hall

9<sup>th</sup> Burton Coffee Mates: 10.30 am in the church

20<sup>th</sup> Benefice Council: 7.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall

21<sup>st</sup> PSWB+ Lunch Club: 1.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall

21<sup>st</sup> One World Evening at Othona: 6.00 pm in the chapel followed by supper

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

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