

THE BENEFICE OF TETBURY, BEVERSTON, LONG NEWNTON & SHIPTON MOYNE

First Sunday of Lent: 1st March 2020

We are delighted to welcome all visitors and those who are new to our Churches. Please make yourself known to us.

The hymn numbers are shown on our display board(s).

For services of Holy Communion, if you would require a gluten-free wafer, or would like us to bring communion to you, please speak to our Welcomers at the door of the church.

WORSHIP TODAY

Tetbury	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion with Baptism The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector
Beverston	10.00am	Matins Wardens
Long Newnton	9.30am	Holy Communion The Revd Rob Church
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion The Revd Rob Church

Prayers for this Sunday

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



BENEFICE NEWS

LENT 2020. Our Lent home groups start tomorrow and this year we will be reflecting on The Beatitudes, and all Jesus is showing us as the essence of the Christian faith and life.

Good hygiene practices. On Government advice, this is a reminder of the usual best practice for good hygiene in church: anyone with coughs and sneezes should refrain from handshaking during The Peace, and receive Communion in one kind only (intinction – dipping the host in the wine - is *not* advised as this represents an infection transmission route). We also have hand sanitiser available, including for use by the priest presiding at the Eucharist. Please speak to Poppy if you have any concerns. Thank you.

WaterAid, Jars of Change, Lent Appeal 2020 During Lent you will find a large jar at the back of Tetbury Church at the Sunday Services for donations which **WaterAid** will use to fund New Water Facilities. Pick up a paper jar sleeve to put into an empty jar at home to collect your change, before bringing it to church. Try making a penny donation to your jar each time you use your toilet, have a bath or make a cup of tea. The jar sleeve is also the gift aid form which can make your donation worth an extra 25% if you pay tax. For more information please look at the notice board at the back of St Marys' Church.

YMCA President, the Archbishop of York, **Dr John Sentamu** is calling on church congregations to sign a petition in support of YMCA's campaign for the **restoration of Youth Services**. You can sign the petition online at ymca.org.uk/churchesforyouth

The **Second Sunday cash collection** in Tetbury Church next week is in aid of **Fairtrade**.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Greening Tetbury meeting at Christ Church on **Wednesday 4th March** at 7.30pm. Please see poster at the back of church for further details.

World Day of Prayer on **Friday 6th March** at 2.00pm at Christ Church. All are welcome.

On **Fri 20th March** the choir will be joining 9 other parish choirs to sing a performance of 'St Cuthbert' in Cheltenham. A poster can be found on the notice board at the back of the church and tickets are available from Margaret Greenwood. Please support the choir as they grow and develop.

You are all invited to a breakfast on **Saturday 28th March** at 9am in Tetbury Church to help **Mary Hinton's** fundraising for the London marathon. Please sign the list at the back of church as we need to know numbers for catering purposes. Mary, "Hedgehog Mary", is running the her first ever

very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one person's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Gospel

Matthew 4.1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' Again, the devil took him to a

marathon at this year's London Marathon. Mary is running for **Christian Aid** and hopes to raise **£3000**. If you would like to help Mary reach her target the details are on her just giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/Mary-Hinton/>

After Mary's breakfast on **Saturday 28th March** at about 10.30am we will be **Spring cleaning** Tetbury Church. Please sign the list at the back of church if you can help. Thank you!

Church Stewards coffee morning in tetbury Church on **Tuesday 3rd March** at 10am. All are welcome. Come and hear what is involved.



REQUESTS AND THANK YOUS

Cheltenham Science and Literature Festivals A team from the Diocese of Gloucester runs family activities at the Cheltenham Festivals each year. They are aiming to give people a good experience of the Church of England, even if they would not normally step into a church building. It's a great chance to connect with new people. They would love to recruit some more volunteers to their fun and friendly team - if you can chat confidently with children and their parents and teachers and would like to be involved, get in touch with Kerry Pateman kpateman@glosdioc.org.uk for details.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the 2nd Sunday Cash collection in Tetbury Church in February which raised **£99** for Hope for Tomorrow.

iSingPop Celebrate Please sign up at the back of St Marys' Church if you can help us at our next session on **Sunday 15th March**. St Marys will be supplying the food for this session so please sign the food request sheet if you can provide this. Or do please sign up to come and help. Thank you.



PRAYER DIARY

Baptisms: Please pray for **Thomas King** who will be baptised in Tetbury Church today and his parents and God parents.

Benefice Cycle of Prayer: All who maintain our churchyards including "Tetbury in Bloom" gardeners

Praying for St Mary's School Reception / year 1 Lime Class with Mrs Pike/Mrs Pockett - Mrs Wilmott/Mrs Freeman

Tetbury Praying the Town: Charlton Road

Prayer List (please pray for the sick and departed)

Monday: Robert, David, Emma, Ella

Tuesday: Wally, Alex, Sophie, Janet and Derek

Wednesday: Peter Parkhouse, Anne, Maria, Ivor

Thursday: Derek, Lisa, Patrick, Janet

Friday: Freya, Thomas, Stuart

Departed: David Holborow, Stephen Kirkby, Doreen Freeman

BENEFICE DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 2nd March 2020

Monday	Noon	Tetbury	Funeral of Stephen Kirkby
Tuesday	10.30am	Tetbury	Stewards Coffee morning
	7.00pm	The Vicarage	Church Wardens meeting
Wednesday	9.30am	Tetbury	Holy Communion
	2.00pm	Westerleigh	Funeral of Doreen Freeman
Thursday	2.30pm		Prayer Circle leaders meet
	7.00pm	Primary School	Tetbury PCC meet
Friday	2.00pm	Christ Church	World Day of Prayer
	7.15pm	Tetbury	Choir practice
Saturday	2.30pm	Kingsley House	Annual Memorial Service
Sunday	2.00pm	Tetbury	Choir Practice

LENT GROUPS BEGIN THIS WEEK

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Tetbury	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion
		The Revd Rob Church
Beverston	10.00am	Holy Communion
		The Revd Canon Barry Raven
Long Newnton	11.15am	Matins
		Martin Green, Reader
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Matins
		Sarah Parton, Reader

BENEFICE CONTACT DETAILS

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Please contact our Benefice Office with **notices and prayer requests**. Weekly deadline: 8.30am, Thursday.
75 words max please.

First Sunday of Lent

Old Testament

Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.' Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

New Testament

Romans 5.12-19

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned – sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like