

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

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity: 2nd September 2018

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	Parish Communion
		The Revd Rob Church
Beverston	10.00am	Matins
		Wardens
Long Newnton	9.30am	Holy Communion
		The Revd Canon Barry Raven
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion
		The Revd Canon Barry Raven

Prayers for this Sunday

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in 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.

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



BENEFICE NEWS

We look forward to **Kim Trinder** joining the Tetbury benefice on placement in September. Kim writes "My name is Kim Trinder and I live and worship in the village of Bisley. I have two children and I am a teacher. Poppy has very kindly allowed me to come and observe and be a part of your worshipping community in order to help me discern God's calling. I am very much looking forward to this opportunity."

Our **Little Fishes Sunday School** starts next Sunday in Tetbury church and there will be special prayers to bless their school bags.

The **Second Sunday Cash collection** in Tetbury Church next Sunday is in aid of **Traidcraft Exchange**.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 8th September: Ride and Stride for Churches. All riders, bikers, walkers, drivers, runners planning their route and sponsorship from one church to another around Gloucestershire - please be sure to call in at St Mary's Church, Beverston, GL8 8TT which will be manned for the day from 10am to 5pm with coffee/tea, cake and a pit stop! Check for a route on www.ghct.org.uk/ride-and-stride. Any local enquiries call Pam. Please be sure to call by at some stage in the day even if just for a cuppa.

Evensong in commemoration of Charles Fuge Lowder, priest on **Sunday 9th September** will be celebrated in **St Saviour's Church** at 6.00pm.

Beverston will be celebrating their Patronal Festival on **Sunday 9th September** with Evensong at 6pm in Beverston Church.

The next **Julian Group** meeting will be on **Thursday 6th September** at 2.30pm for 3pm. All are welcome.



REQUESTS AND THANK YOUS

Wanted! Jam jars with screw lids needed for jams and jellies. Small and attractive would be lovely! Please contact Margo Smith who will collect or leave in Tetbury church.

Margaret and Jim Toogood want to **thank** all those who have supported them with care and prayer over the past few weeks.

A volunteer is needed to distribute the **Tetbury praying the town leaflets** in Oxleaze Road, Oxleaze Close and Chestnut Close (9th September), and Park Close and Priory Way (16th September). Please contact the Parish Office to arrange.



PRAYER DIARY

Please pray for all staff and pupils going back, or starting school this week

Tetbury Praying the Town: Old Brewery lane and Warns Court

Prayer List (please pray for the sick and departed)

Monday: Graham Kean, Sammy & Carl, Michael

Tuesday: Bill Geers, Jean & Ken, Breeda, Willie

Wednesday: Sheila Little, Olive, Dee, Thomas, Jill

Thursday: James O'Sullivan, Colin, Kelly, John Lye

Friday: Baby Freya, Susie, Alan, Win, James

Departed: Janet Fisher

Years Mind: Carol Hobday (28,8)

("Year's Mind" is to mark the first anniversary of a death – often a difficult time for family and friends)

BENEFICE DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING

MONDAY 3rd September 2018

Monday	1.45pm	Westerleigh	Funeral of Janet Fisher
Wednesday	9.30am	Tetbury	Holy Communion
Thursday	2.30pm		Julian Group meet
Saturday	10am-5pm	Beverston	Ride and Stride, coffee and cake

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Tetbury	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Communion
St Saviour's	6.00pm	Evensong The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector
Beverston	6.00pm	Patronal Festival Evensong The Revd Ursula Gray
Long Newnton	11.15am	Matins Martin Green, Reader
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Matins Wardens

BENEFICE CONTACT DETAILS

Rector: The Revd Poppy Hughes, The Vicarage, 6 The Green, Tetbury GL8 8DN ♦ Email: poppy_hughes@hotmail.co.uk
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Website: www.tetburychurch.co.uk

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

75 words max please.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 4.1-2,6-9

Moses spoke to the people; he said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

New Testament Reading James 1.17-end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid

yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act – they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Gospel Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines.” Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’ For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’