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

Sixth Sunday of Easter: 6th May 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

| l etbury | 8.30am  | Holy Communion                |
|----------|---------|-------------------------------|
|          | 10.00am | Family Eucharist with Baptism |

The Revd Kim Brown, preside

The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector, preach

Beverston 10.00am Matins

The Revd Ursula Gray

Long 9.30am Holy Communion Newnton The Revd Maslen

Shipton II.15am Rogation Service

Moyne The Revd Rob Church,

### Prayers for this Sunday

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.** 



#### **BENEFICE NEWS**

**THY KINGDOM COME**. For the 11 days between Ascension on Thursday 10th May to Pentecost on Sunday 20th May we will be taking part in "Thy Kingdom Come". This is a global prayer movement, which invites Christians around the world to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ. What started out as an invitation from the Archbishops' of Canterbury and York in 2016 to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer. More information and resources to follow.

Tetbury **PCC Secretary.** We need to recruit a new Clerk to our PCC (Parochial Church Council). Please do talk to Poppy if you might be able to help. All inquiries welcome - and please don't hold back if you're new to the church. You will work with Poppy to draft agendas, collate papers and minute five PCC meetings each year plus the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April. A full role description available from Poppy or the Parish Office

The **Second Sunday cash collection** in Tetbury Church next week will be in aid of **Christian Aid**.

**Tetbury Congregational choir** The choir will be supporting worship on 20<sup>th</sup> May (Pentecost) and 17<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like to sing with us simply come to the front of the Church at 9.30am for a short practice before the service at 10am. All ages (including children) and abilities are welcome.

As part of the 'Thy **Kingdom Come'** global prayer movement from 10-20th May, please feel free to visit the **Prayer Station** situated in the prayer corner in Tetbury church. It is based on the words of the Lords Prayer. Take time to linger by each station and dwell on the words of the Lords Prayer. May God bless this experience and help us all to deepen our faith as we pray through this familiar prayer.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Thursday 10th May** is **Ascension Day**. There will be a Benefice Communion Service in Tetbury Church at 7.00pm

There will be two events held at **Gloucester Cathedral** over **17** and **18 May.** The first event, 4pm-7.30pm on the Thursday, is the launch of FestivALL opened by Bishop Rachel. In the grounds of the Cathedral there will be live music, dancing, face-painting and activities for children, which include sports, circus skills, arts and crafts and much more. People are also invited to join in with a community picnic. Bring along some picnic food (sandwiches, crisps, fruit,

cakes, you get the idea!) which you can enjoy and share with others in a special food tent in the Cathedral grounds.

The following day is a sharing and learning day again held at the cathedral, about local community and statutory organisations that promote inclusive community. All the activities on both days are FREE. For the FestivALL launch you simply turn up. For the sharing and learning day please book onto the workshops. To book there is a link on the home page of the diocesan website, go to the FestivALL website.

Jubilate Chamber Choir with the Ashcroft Wind Quintet perform Evening Classics in Tetbury Church on **Saturday 12th May** at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 Adults, £8 senior citizens, under 16s free. And available form the Parish Office. Proceeds partly in aid of Tetbury Church West door appeal.

Christian Aid Week 13 – 20 May. Please sign up on the rota at the back of the church to help with our street collection outside Co - Op and the Post Office on Thursday 17, Frid.ay 18, and Saturday 19 May. Please make sure that you have taken a copy of the Christian Aid Week flier from the back of the church. Any queries contact Alison Hesketh



# **REOUESTS AND THANK YOUS**

**Thank you** to everyone who participated in the soup lunches and the Woman's World Day of Prayer. Princess



#### **PRAYER DIARY**

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

Praying for St Mary's School Year 3/4 Beech Class with Miss Snell and Mrs Ravenhill

Tetbury Praying the Town: Court Field

Graham Kean, The Platts family, James & Michael O'Sullivan, Monday:

Bill Geers, George, James, Win, Jen, Hannah, Liz Tuesday: Wednesday Family of Fergus Persse, Sheila Little, Heather Seaman Thursday: Alan, Suzie, Oliver Ross & family, Michael, Sam, Chris

Alistair, Alyson, Helena, Clara, Phoebe Friday:

**Departed:** Jane Rook, Elsbeth Preston, Wendy Luckett, Joan Warner

**Years Mind:** Raymond Oliver (10/5)

("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 7th May 2018

| Wednesday | 9.30am  | Tetbury      | Holy Communion                   |
|-----------|---------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Thursday  | 11.00am | Tetbury      | Thanksgiving for Col Tony Davis  |
| •         | 7.00pm  | Tetbury      | Ascension day Holy Communion     |
| Friday    | 2.30pm  | Beverston    | Thanksgiving for Elsbeth Preston |
|           | 4.00pm  | Long Newnton | Wedding rehearsal                |
|           | 5.30pm  | Tetbury      | Wedding rehearsal                |
| Saturday  | 1.00pm  | Tetbury      | Wedding of Andrew Holian and     |
|           |         |              | Gemma Hunter                     |
|           | 3.00pm  | Long Newnton | Wedding of Edward Mulraney       |
|           |         |              | and Louise Kershaw               |
|           | 7.30pm  | Tetbury      | Concert                          |

#### WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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|--------------------|---------|---|--|--|
| Tetbury            | 8.30am  | Holy Communion                                  |  |  |
|                    | 10.00am | Family Eucharist                                |  |  |
|                    |         | The Revd Ian Aveyard                            |  |  |
|                    | 6.00pm  | Christian Aid Service at Christ Church          |  |  |
| Beverston          | 10.00am | Holy Communion<br>The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector |  |  |
| Long<br>Newnton    | 11.15am | Rogation Service<br>Martin Green, Reader        |  |  |
| Shipton<br>Moyne   | 11.15am | Matins<br>The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector         |  |  |

#### 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.

## **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

## First Reading

I John 5.1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

# **Second Reading**

Acts 10.44-48

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Gospel John 15.9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'