

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

Responding to God's Call : 10th September 2017

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 Eucharist
St Saviour's	6.00pm	Evensong (The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector)
Beverston	10.00am	Holy Communion (The Revd Ursula Gray)
Long Newnton	11.15am	Matins (Martin Green, Reader)
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Matins (The Revd Maslen)

Prayers for this Sunday

God our Father, Lord of all the world, through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church: hear our prayer that in our vocation and ministry we may each be an instrument of your love, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The 2nd Sunday cash collection in Tetbury church today is in aid of
Mercy Ships.*



BENEFICE NEWS

Churches together interactive Bible Study. On Wednesday evenings in October, a small group will meet in Christ Church for Bible Study shared with a group in Malawi via the internet. If you are interested in this, please speak to Rob Church. There are spaces for 3-4 people.

We are delighted that Valerie Trumper, having completed the Gloucester Diocese Pastoral Assistants Course, is being commissioned in St Marys' Tetbury this morning. You are asked hold Valerie in your prayers, and also invited to support her at The Diocesan Celebration of the Commissioning of new Pastoral Assistants on **24th September at 3pm at Gloucester Cathedral.**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Evensong this evening will be celebrated in **St Saviour's Church** at 6.00pm.

Tetbury Church Social committee invite you to drop in for coffee, cake and a chat in Tetbury Church on **Wednesday 13th September** from 10.30am, following the Communion service until 12 noon. Take a break on a busy morning and do join us. Offers of cakes to Frances Collinson

Prayer for Tetbury meets in Christ Church on **Saturday, 16th September** at 10.30 for start at 10.45 until 11.45 to pray for our town. Everyone is welcome. This month's theme is "Thanksgiving" 1 Thess. 5:16-18. Please let Gwyneth know if you would like to stay for a simple lunch and fellowship afterwards, finishing at 13.00.

Sunday 23rd September 3pm Sung Evensong at Quedgley church followed by refreshments to celebrate 50 years in the clergy for Revd **Geoffry Stickland**, curate at Tetbury 1979. (Lived in the Rectory at Shipton Moyne.) Anyone who remembers him are welcome.

BARN DANCE Saturday October 7th 7.00 – 10.30 pm. Tickets are on sale. £10.00 adult and £25.00 family (2adults and up to 2 children. Please buy your tickets from any member of the Tetbury Church Social Committee (Diana Challis, Frances, Hilary, Michele, Moira, Diana Sharp) or from the Parish Office. We hope you will join us for this popular event.

IONA 2018. Due to planned building work in the Abbey, there is a delay in publishing the programme for 2018, and there will be a shorter season offered (May-August). We are hoping to take a group and will publicise dates when they become available.

Tetbury Church cleaning on **Saturday 14th October 10am until 2pm**



REQUESTS AND THANK YOUS

The Tetbury Church **Pastoral Committee** is conscious of the fact that we have several members of our congregation who are finding life difficult because, for health reasons, they can no longer drive but still want to be socially active, attend church and different organisations to which they belong, have a hair cut go shopping as well as keep various hospital appointments. There is a **list at the back of the church** for you to give your details **if you could help with an occasional lift**

A **huge thank you** to all the knitters. So far this year, 9 black sacks have gone out to a Zambian Mission hospital. They also need toiletries and stationary (not biro's). They had a defibrillator from the surgery. Pam Scott will collect or items can be dropped off with her.

Shoebboxes Needed for Operation Christmas Child a project of Samaritan's Purse it's mission is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world. Over the years you have filled shoeboxes of goodies to send to children overseas. Some people like to fill a whole shoebox and others like to give certain items. All our boxes need to be full by the end of October. If you would like to help Operation Christmas Child please contact Hjordis Halliwell or Judith Bailey. More information can be found on the Mothers' Union notice board at the back of St Marys' Church.



PRAYER DIARY

Praying for St Mary's School Reception Class Cherry with Mr Foster and Mrs Bell

.Tetbury Praying the Town: Priory Way

Prayer List (please pray for the sick and departed)

Monday: Brian Underwood, Tommy & Tabitha, Anne Glanville

Tuesday: Emma, Lynne and Adrian, Roy and Carol, Edith

Wednesday: Kate and Mike, John, Deb, Kai, Rae, Nathan, Elizabeth

Thursday: Finn Millard, Sam & Teddy, Rachel and Claire

Friday: Grahame Steele, Richard and Moira, Harriet

Departed: Kathleen Wilson

Years Mind: Christine Cook (14/09)

("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 11th SEPTEMBER 2017

Wednesday	9.30am	Tetbury	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Tetbury	Coffee, Cake and Chat
	7.30pm	Tetbury	Pastoral & Social Justice committee meet
Friday	7.15pm	Tetbury	Festival Choir practice
Saturday	10.30am	Christ Church	Prayer for Tetbury

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Tetbury	8.30am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist (The Revd Peter Hyson)
Beverston	10.00am	Holy Communion (The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector)
Long Newnton	6.00pm	Evensong (The Revd Christopher Mulholland)
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion (The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector)

8.30am Monday - Friday Morning Prayer in St Marys' Tetbury.
Enter by north-east door (by the kitchen). All welcome, including dogs!

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

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BIBLE READING: COLOSSIANS 1:3-10

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

GOSPEL: JOHN 15:5-11

Jesus said to his disciples: I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my 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.'