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

Seventh Sunday of Easter: 13th 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

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

Prayers for this Sunday

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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. See website.

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. I t 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.

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 today will be in aid of **Christian Aid.**

Tetbury Congregational choir The choir will be supporting worship on 20th May (Pentecost) and 17th 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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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 .

You are invited to join with us to **pray for Tetbury** at Christ Church on **Saturday, 19th May**. This month we are joining with themes from the "Thy Kingdom Come" week from 10th to 20th May. Prayer begins at 9.30 am in the back hall of Christ Church, and if you would like to come for a light breakfast at 9 am please let Gwyneth know by Wednesday 16th May. We look forward to seeing you there.

Christian Aid Week 13 – 20 May Please see the notice at the back of the church. There are still 14 one hour slots to fill on the street collection rota. Please sign up if you can help. The Christian Aid Week service is at 6 pm at Christ Church. Do come. Today's cash collection will go to Christian Aid.

EXAMPLE STREQUESTS AND THANK YOUS

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

Can you help? **Amano Christian school, Chingola Zambia** need school uniforms, stationary and various other things. Please see poster for more details. Items can be left at Pam Scott's house or Pam will collect.



PRAYER DIARY

Praying for St Mary's School Year 5/6 Oak Class with Mrs Cartledge and Mrs Weston

Tetbury Praying the Town: Cutwell

Monday:Graham Kean, The Platts family, James & Michael O'Sullivan,Tuesday:Bill Geers, George, James, Win, Jen, Hannah, LizWednesdayFamily of Fergus Persse, Sheila Little, Heather SeamanThursday:Alan, Suzie, Oliver Ross & family, Michael, Sam, ChrisFriday:Alistair, Alyson, Helena, Clara, PhoebeDeparted:Wendy Luckett , Leonard Smith

BENEFICE DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 14th May 2018

Monday	3.00pm	Tetbury	Social Committee meet
Tuesday	4.00pm	Tetbury	Visiting Group meet
Wednesday	9.30 am	Tetbury	Holy Communion
Thursday	afternoon	Tetbury	KS2 Pentecost Service
	7.00pm	Primary School	Tetbury PCC meet
Saturday	9.30am	Christ Church	Prayer for Tetbury
	11.30pm	Beverston	Wedding of John Podmore and Amy Coyte
	3.00pm	Tetbury	Wedding of Michael Randall and Emma Keitley

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Tetbury	8.30am 10.00am	Holy Communion Parish Eucharist The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector, Preside The Revd Rob Church, Preach
Beverston	10.00am	Holy Communion The Revd Ursula Gray
Long Newnton	6.00pm	Evensong The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion The Revd Kim Brown

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

Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading

I John 5.9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Second Reading

Acts 1.15-17,21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people). He said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Gospel

John 17.6-19

lesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Father, I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.'