

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

Third Sunday of Epiphany : 21st January 2018

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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.

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## WORSHIP TODAY

Tetbury	8.30am	Holy Communion Parish Eucharist
	10.00am	The Revd Canon Barry Raven
Beverston	10.00am	Holy Communion
Long Newnton	6.00pm	Evensong
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion with Baptism The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector

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## Prayers for this Sunday

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.**

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**



## BENEFICE NEWS

As **Friends of the Choir** have probably realised the annual party held at Chavenage House has had to be postponed for this year. An evening of song, entertainment & refreshments is in the planning stages for an event to be held in the spring. Thank you for your understanding and continued support which is greatly appreciated in what has been a time of change in our choirs history.

At present, particularly while Bill recovers from his accident, we are not planning **Saturday morning prayers** in Tetbury church until further notice.

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service** will be at **Christ Church** Tetbury at 6pm TODAY. **Please note this is a change of venue.**

**Tetbury Community Choir** is staging a concert to support **Tetbury Church West Door Appeal** on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** and to include guest soprano soloist Gillian Wells. Gillian is a professional singer with a beautiful voice and has recordings on her website [gillianwells.co.uk](http://gillianwells.co.uk). Under the direction of Richard George there is no doubt that this will be a feast of good music to suit all tastes. Tickets are now on sale from Michele Maund, John Saynor or the Parish Office and are priced at just £8. Even if you are unable to come to the concert the purchase of a ticket will help the **West Door Appeal**. Thank you.

**Murder Mystery Play** TICKETS NOW ON SALE. *Who Killed The Vicar?* Carnage, Chaos and Comedy comes to St Mary's Church. Polish your sleuthing skills to identify the miscreants and absolve the righteous. **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February** at 2.30pm and 7.00pm. Limited number available, £10 including refreshments – from the Parish Office and Tourist Information. All proceeds to the Tetbury Foodbank.

**LENT HOME GROUPS** start meeting in the week of **Monday 18th February**. We are again using "Immeasurably deeper", with daily readings. Our home groups will explore the Christian disciplines of silence, humility, confession, sacrifice and hope. More information to follow.

The next outing of the **Tetbury Congregational Choir** will be on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**. All are welcome. If you'd like to sing with us please make sure you are in your seats at the front of the Church by **9.30am** to prepare for the service start at 10am.

**Beer & Hymns** in the Cat & Custard TODAY from 6pm until 7pm. Sing away the January gloom with traditional hymns and old favourites among friends and neighbours, over a pint or a G&T. Suitable for all. the family

On Friday 12 January Donna Gardner celebrated her 49th Birthday. Why am I letting you know now? Because, **to celebrate her 50th birthday**, Donna and a group of walkers are leaving our church after the service on **13 January 2019** to begin a **100 mile sponsored walk in aid of Christian Aid**. This week long walk will end at St Marys with Evensong. If you would like to join in for all or part of the walk do speak to Donna or Alison. Not a walker? There will be other ways to help.

Quiz Night on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan in Shipton Moyne Vilage hall at 7.30pm.** £16 per team (max of 4). Bar, Refreshments and Raffle. **Booking is essential.** To book a team contact Caroline



## PRAYER DIARY

**Baptisms:** Please pray for **Archie Stratton** who will be baptised in Shipton Moyne church today and his parents and godparents.

**Praying for St Mary's School** Year 2 Juniper Class with Miss Gibbins and Mrs Avis

**Tetbury Praying the Town:** Berrells Road & The Berrells

**Prayer List** (please pray for the sick and departed)

Monday: Graham Kean, Anne and Josephine

Tuesday: Lynne and Adrian, Bill Geers

Wednesday: Fergus Persse with Sandy, Liz, Lauren and Isobel

Thursday: Laetitia Hardie, Sanitta

Friday: James, Kelly

**Departed:** All those we remember with love

## BENEFICE DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 22nd January 2018

Monday	10.00am	Prayer Circle leaders meet
	3.00pm	Tetbury social committee meet
Wednesday	9.30am	Tetbury Holy Communion
	7.00pm	St Michaels TACT AGM
Thursday	3.30pm	Vicarage Clergy and readers meeting
Saturday	10.00am	Tetbury Wedding planning day

## WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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Beverston	10.00am	Matins Wardens
Long Newnton	11.15am	Holy Communion The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector
Shipton Moynce	11.15am	Family Service The Family Worship Team

## 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.

## **The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

### **Old Testament Reading**

### **Genesis 14.17-20**

After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

### **New Testament Reading**

### **Revelation 19.6-10**

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure' – for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

### **Gospel**

### **John 2.1-11**

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." "Dear woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

This, the first of his miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana in Galilee. He thus revealed his glory, and his disciples put their faith in him.