

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

Third Sunday of Easter: 30th April 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 10.30am Benefice Holy Communion
(The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector)

Prayers for this Sunday

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and 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.**

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**



BENEFICE NEWS

Please note service times in Tetbury and Beverston Churches change on Sunday 7th May. The main service will be **10.00am** (with BCP at **8.30am** in Tetbury)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The next **OMF Prayer Group** meeting will be on **Tuesday 2nd May** (due to bank holiday on Monday 1st) from 2.30pm. All are welcome

The **Julian Group** will meet on Thursday 4th May at 2.30pm for 3pm. All are welcome.

Save the Children coffee morning on **Wednesday 3rd May** at the Priory Inn from 10am until 12 noon.

Saturday monthly prayer half hour: this will take place on **Saturday 6th May** from 10.00 – 10.30am in the church. All are welcome. Geraldine and Bill Geers

Support for Christian Aid Roger and Margo Smith will be hosting a “Pate, Pie and Pud Lunch” on **Sunday 21st May 2017** at Stouts Hill (a Georgian Manor House at Uley) All we ask of our guests is that they donate the price of a Sunday Lunch to Christian Aid. Please see us at the end of the service to receive an invite. The numbers are limited so please see us ASAP

Tetbury Church Social committee invite you to drop in for coffee, cake and a chat in Tetbury Church on **Wednesday May 10th** from 10.30am, following the Communion service until 12 noon. Take a break on a busy morning and do join us

The funeral of **Bishop Michael**, former Bishop of Gloucester, will be held on **Saturday 6th May**, 2.00pm in Gloucester Cathedral. There is an open invitation to attend.



REQUESTS AND THANK YOUS

Christian Aid Week 14 – 20 May Over the past three years the number of collectors for the house to house collection which takes place during the course of the week has dropped from 92 to 50! This means that this year many of the roads in Tetbury and complete villages around Tetbury can no longer be covered. There is a list at the back of each church stating which roads and villages need a collector. **Please, please, can you help?** If you are already collecting and think that you have the time and energy to cover another road your offer would be

much appreciated. In either case just get in touch with me Alison Hesketh, It would be a real shame if, as the suffering in the world increases, the help we feel able to give diminishes.

Christian Aid Week Collectors. Your supplies are at the back of the church. Please take them and also take for anyone who lives near you who is not here today. This will be a great help as it will save me delivering. Many thanks. Alison.

Thank you! A big thank you to whoever left a book for me in the pigeon holes! It was kind of you - but I don't know who you are! Please let me know, so I can thank you in person! Lorna Dallimore

On behalf of all the family of Daniel Marks-Bryan, 'Dan', we would love **to thank** everyone at St Marys' who have given us so much love, support and prayers. It has helped us get through such a difficult year, your kindness has meant so much to us all. Thank you Di Bryan

A **really big thank you** to everybody who have sent their prayers, kind wishes, and gifts during my ongoing cancer treatment, which have been really appreciated. I have been overwhelmed with the kindness shown not only from St Marys' but work colleagues, friends and relations. Mike, Noah and I are so grateful for everybody's prayers and especially to the anonymous parish well wisher who sent me a very large cheque, which will really help as I have had to take a year off work. Thank you so much for keeping us all in your thoughts and prayers. Kate, Mike and Noah



PRAYER DIARY

Praying for St Mary's School Year 2 Class Holly with Mrs Peacock & Mrs Bladon

Baptisms: Please pray for Florence Kipling and Emily Thornbury who will be baptised in Tetbury Church next Sunday and their parents and godparents

Tetbury Praying the Town: Cheviot Close & Suffolk Close

Prayer List (please pray for the sick and departed)

Monday: Kathleen, Chris, Sue, Kathleen, Susie, William Dyson
Tuesday: Jane Mary, Pat, Lynne and Adrian, Jon Penny
Wednesday: Kelly, Kate and Mike, Gavin, Alan
Thursday: Nick, Reg, Doreen Riley, Win, Nathan
Friday: James, Catherine Long, Tiffany, Megan
Departed: Evelyn Seal, Mary Jones, Gwyn Maddy, Bishop Michael

BENEFICE DIARY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING

MONDAY 1st May 2017

Tuesday	2.30pm	OMF Prayer Group meet
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion at Tetbury Church
Thursday	2.30pm for 3pm	Julian Group meet
	3.00pm	Funeral of Mary Jones at Tetbury Church
	3.00pm	H@H spring afternoon tea
Saturday	10.00am	Saturday morning prayers at Tetbury Church
	2.30pm	Wedding blessing of William and Angela Meredith at Tetbury Church

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK SUNDAY 7th May

Tetbury	8.30pm	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Service with Baptism with Holy Communion (The Revd Poppy Hughes, Rector)
Beverston	10.00am	Matins (The Revd Ursula Gray)
Long Newnton	9.30am	Holy Communion (The Revd Ian Aveyard)
Shipton Moyne	11.15am	Holy Communion (The Revd Kim Hartshorne)

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.

Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading

Zephaniah 3.14 - end.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

Second Reading

Acts 2.14a,36-41

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

Gospel

Luke 24.13-35

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table

with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.