

# Bride Valley News



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# THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES

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St Mary: Litton Cheney  
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## BRIDE VALLEY CAR SERVICE



The BVCS is a volunteer scheme offering residents of the Bride Valley transport to and from medical appointments when they are unable to drive themselves or be driven by relatives or friends.

Clients are charged a mileage fee (currently 50p per mile) plus a standard charge (currently £1.00 per journey). Because the service depends on the availability of volunteer drivers, clients are asked to give as much notice as possible – we are unlikely to be able to respond to requests within 48 hours of an appointment.

BVCS simply provides door-to-door transport and cannot be responsible for assisting with clients' medical or mobility needs. Patients with complex transport needs for hospital appointments should contact the NHS Non-Emergency Patient Transport service.



To book a journey please call our voluntary co-ordinator Lesley on 01308 897695 between Monday and Friday.



Calls cannot be taken at weekends.

## FROM THE RECTORY

### Embracing Nature – letting go!

I've written before about the Rectory Garden and once more it inspires me as I begin to put my words together. I have just watched a woodpecker help himself to breakfast from the crab apple tree only a few metres from my study window. Not long ago a squirrel ran past with an apple larger than the size of its head firmly held in its mouth and the autumn leaves are already falling from the trees.

Autumn personifies the impermanence of everything in the natural world, with its changing temperatures and turning leaves. Of the four seasons, this one is a good reminder for me that nothing "out there" remains the same for very long. We can see before our eyes the days growing shorter, the animals squirreling away food for the winter and the world so beautifully making preparations to go within. What a special time this is, as well as the perfect time for us to learn from nature and begin to make our own preparations for the days ahead.

Autumn also signifies an excellent time for letting go of what no longer serves us. Look at the deciduous trees, for example, leaves that worked so hard to sustain them all spring and summer now making their magnificent exit in a wonderful burst of colour. The leaves no longer benefit the tree, and so the tree freely releases them all. A tree is truly an incredible work of art for us human beings.

This has all got me wondering – are there things in my life that I need to let go of? Things I may be holding on to that used to nourish but are no longer doing me any good. What is it that I should be letting go of this Autumn?

And this may of course be true for you too. Why not spend some time thinking about that now or make an effort to set aside some time soon to slow down and ponder on this.

As a Christian maybe use this season to begin to let go and let God handle everything. Letting go and letting God handle things sometimes means finding new ways of helping yourself to discover the peace you so earnestly desire or listening to the guidance that comes from God – even as simple nudges or quiet yearnings.

As you begin to let go of trying to control things, remember that this does not mean that you are shirking your part in the process. Rather, it means that you are courageously facing challenges with a new awareness of your partnership with God and God's power and presence within you. It means that you are beginning to accept anew that you can handle whatever confronts you because of that solid foundation of God's Holy Spirit within you.

Whatever you are facing in your life, know that you have a loving God, who is always there for you: **"Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you."** 1 Peter 5 verse 7 (New Living Translation)

Place yourself in God's care. Give your loved ones to God's gentleness and compassion. Turn your life over to God's divine wisdom with complete confidence. Tell yourself again and again: Yes, God, I am willing to let go. I am ready to let you handle it all. Take a deep breath, and as you release it, know that everything is in God's tender, loving care.

***Trust in the wonderful presence of God's love. Let go, and let God handle it all!***

With every blessing,

Jane (Bride Valley Rector)

#### **FROM THE REGISTERS**

##### **Baptisms**

30 August 2020                      Oscar Kenneth James Ledwith  
St Mary's Burton Bradstock

##### **Funerals**

19 August 2020                      Juliana Beatrice Mallinson  
St Mary's Burton Bradstock

20 August 2020                      Ivan Eric Bulloch                      Yeovil Crematorium

23 September 2020                      Audrey May Robinson  
St Mary's Burton Bradstock



## Christmas Greetings in the BVN.



As in past years we are giving an opportunity to send Christmas greetings to our local friends and neighbours via the BVN. Names will appear on a dedicated page under a collective heading. Please send your name(s), as you would like it/them to appear in the list, with your donation.

Donations received will be divided between the Cupboard Love Food Bank and the BVN. Cheques may now be made payable to The Bride Valley News (in full, please, not BVN) and either sent or hand delivered to either Liz Orza, 2 Bindbarrow, Burton Bradstock, DT6 4RG, or Colleen Ringrose, at Rookery Cottage, Church Street (opposite the school). Please ensure that one of us receives the instruction no later than October 31<sup>st</sup> in order to catch the deadline for the December issue.

**Many thanks, Liz. 897451.**

### **ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE to remember the departed**

This year's Annual Memorial Service to remember our departed loved ones will take place on Sunday 1 November 2020 at 3.00pm in St Mary's Church Burton Bradstock.

This is a simple, reflective service, to which everyone throughout the valley is invited to attend to remember departed loved ones, whether this was recently or some time ago.

Candles will be lit and names read out.

If you would like the name/s of departed loved ones read out at this service then please email me with their name/s ([bridevalley.benefice@hotmail.com](mailto:bridevalley.benefice@hotmail.com)) by 25 October 2020.

Alternatively give the name/s to the churchwarden of your parish church by Sunday 25 October 2020.

***Jessica Clark, Administrator for the Bride Valley Churches***

## THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

As my retirement approaches I have been reflecting on my time as Benefice Administrator for the Bride Valley Churches. It started a long time ago now in a much simpler, informal role for John Atkinson and Anthony Ashwell. It continued in the same informal way when Bob Thorn arrived. Following Bob's return to work after recovering from his stroke, it was decided to employ a part-time administrator in a more formal way. Liz Slater was appointed as I was already employed elsewhere at that time. Then in 2015 Liz herself was looking to retire and I found myself fortunate to be offered the position just as Stephen Batty was arriving in the Benefice.

It has been a privilege to work with all four of these clergymen – John, Anthony, Bob and Stephen. They were all very different personalities and I got along well with all of them. Jane Williams is now Rector, and it has again been a privilege working alongside, and getting to know, Jane since she was appointed in early 2019, and to see her settled into her new home, the Parishes, and the work that lies ahead for her. She will serve the Benefice very well indeed, which is much welcomed, especially following on from years of sadness for the Valley.

It would be good to be able to say 'I have enjoyed the last five years as administrator', however, these are not the appropriate words to use. The years have been challenging, not least because in October 2015, only months after starting my admin work, my daughter became unwell and died very suddenly, and my whole life changed from that moment. It is not something that is easily explained to anyone who has not experienced this for themselves. In order to take those first small steps following such a devastating loss, I was thankful to have my admin work to give me a focus at that time.

Thank you everyone in the Valley who has supported me, shown kindness, and above all, prayed for me during these years. I wish my successor, Jessica Clark, well in her new role.

A verse I have pinned above my desk reads:

**In all the work you are doing, work the best you can.  
Work as if you were doing it for the Lord, not for people.  
Colossians 3 verse 23**

God Bless

**Lesley Dove**



## BRIDE VALLEY GARDENING CLUB



As our club season would have ended in October we look forward, in hope, that next year we will be able to fulfil the programme we had planned for 2020.

In a similar way most of the following jobs, which can be done this month, look towards the new gardening year by laying the foundation for new season colour and crops.

Plant cyclamen, and continue to plant spring bulbs (except tulips which should wait until November or early December).

Plant new roses and spring bedding such as pansies, wallflowers and primroses.

Divide congested clumps of hardy perennials.

Clear fallen leaves from your evergreen plants to allow more light in and keep them healthy over the winter.

Bring tender perennials indoors; lift and store tender summer bulbs and tubers.

Sow next year's sweet peas in a cold greenhouse or frame.

Clear old crops from the kitchen garden then plant garlic and sow hardy broad beans and peas under cloches.

Clear perennial weeds and improve the condition of the soil by adding organic mulches of well-rotted manure and compost.

Bring pots of herbs under cover to maintain crops during the autumn.

*Cilla Jones (Secretary) 898473*

## **Our Night Sky in October 2020**

Jupiter and Saturn which have been delighting us through the Summer months will set about 2300, but Mars will be high in the South East and will be visible throughout the night, being at its brightest since 2018. It will set in the South West at daybreak, but Venus will be shining brilliantly, rising in the East at 0400 and travelling westwards until the Sun removes it from sight. Meanwhile, the winter constellations of Taurus and Orion will be making an appearance in the East about 2200, and will be visible throughout the night.

More than seven billion years ago, two immense black holes circled each other until they collided and merged, a cataclysm so intense that it sent ripples soaring through the fabric of space-time.

In the early morning hours of May 21, 2019, the signal picked up by two observatories—LIGO in the United States and Virgo in Italy— came in the form of gravitational waves: disruptions in space-time that massive cosmic events can set into motion.

Researchers estimate that two black holes 66 and 85 times more massive than our sun spiralled into each other, uniting to form a black hole 142 times more massive than our sun.

The event, announced today is by far the biggest ever detected via gravitational waves. In a fraction of a second, the merging black holes released roughly eight times more energy than that contained within our sun's atoms.

The black hole merger is causing a lot of scientific excitement, for a few reasons. First, the black hole it produced fills in a perplexing gap in our observations. Until now, researchers had found black holes tens of times more massive than our sun and supermassive black holes millions to billions times more massive than our sun, but never had confirmed one between 100 and 100,000 solar masses.

At about 142 solar masses, GW190521's final black hole is the first ever found in this intermediate range. I will write more about black holes in the next magazine.

***Bill Turnill***

Our August meeting gave us an opportunity to meet up with our members, socially distanced in a lovely garden bringing with us our own picnics. It was so good to meet our friends again and exchange experiences of our various lockdown activities.

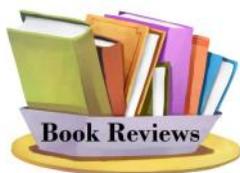
Our September meeting was to be a visit to the outdoor milking parlour up at Little Bredy which would have been an interesting evening but with the advent of Boris's rule of 6 this no longer complies with the current instructions so has had to be cancelled for a future time when we are all able to meet together safely in one place.

At the beginning of September our walking Group, led by Meryl, held the final walk of the summer by enjoying the views from Egardon Hill. Well done Meryl, looking forward to summer of 2021 already. Thankyou.

Our committee are keeping a close eye on the advice coming from WI Headquarters but the news is not good so for the time being we are going back to 'Zoom' meetings which helps us keep in touch with all our friends sharing conversation and ideas for future meetings.

**If you live in the Valley and would like to join our WI, do please get in contact with one of the committee or on our email**

[Bridevalleywi@gmail.com](mailto:Bridevalleywi@gmail.com)



## THE BRIDE VALLEY BOOK CLUB

We should have had a Bride Valley Book Club meeting on October 7th in Puncknowle Village Hall but as there are now restrictions which mean that gatherings cannot exceed six people, a normal meeting will not be possible at this time. However the good news..... is that the Library have just started lending group copies again so watch this space!!!! Will keep you posted.

Liz Pinfield



## THORNERS CE VA SCHOOL



It has been wonderful to see all the children return to school after such a prolonged time away.

It is a real testament to them and their parents that they have settled into the new school rhythm and their particular class routines so smoothly. Despite the staggered start times, new lunchtime arrangements, extra cleaning, bubbles and continuous hand washing - it stills feels very much like school with the (demarcated) corridors and (now separated) playgrounds still ringing with the voices, games and laughter of the children.

We are missing hymn practice and not being able to mix with friends in different bubbles, but it is lovely to be back and see the children enjoying school again in the September sunshine.

As many of you may know, Tony Taylor retired as a governor last year and I would like to offer him our thanks for the many years of service he offered the school. We wish him all the best with his academic work, which, alongside his engineering know-how, he has been kind enough to share with the older children over the years. **Thank you Tony.**

I would also like to thank the following people for the enormous help, funding and work that has been carried out in order to create and ready the new Reception classroom over the holidays:

**The Litton Trust**

**The TSA**

**Pete Tewson**

**Lisa Metcalf**

**Quentin Farrow**

**Alan Gladding and all the Foundation staff.**

It has been a fantastic team effort and now, not only do our Reception class have a much bigger classroom and new outdoor area to enjoy, but we have also converted the old Reception class area into a dedicated school art room - perfect for messy creations/works of genius.

Outside, they will also now be able to enjoy using the new den, water wall and enlarged play space on the field.



All the internal doors have been repainted "Thorner's Blue", new hooks and name plates have been put up, pupils artwork rehung and there has been a large amount of decorating going on around the school - see if you can spot all the changes!

I would also like to thank the Diocese and CG Fry for their important work on the roof of the old school house.

Sadly, our gazebo has been dismantled due to becoming structurally unsound over the summer. However, new plans are afoot to reuse the good timbers in order to create a series of raised beds in that area for growing fruit and vegetables. We will be asking the children to come up with a series of ideas for this new area and run a competition to select the best design! **First Litton, then perhaps the Chelsea Flower Show!**

Mrs Biggins is our literacy coordinator and has spent the summer creating our new reading series for KS2. This will consist of a series of 24 fantastic texts from all eras and genres that each child will read together with their class as they move through Bredy and Eggardon.

In KS1, thanks to a donor, we have also been able to spend £300 on new books for Fledglings and £700 on new books for Litton and Chesil.

Outside, we are having archery as our first sport this year as it can be carried out socially distanced in the archery field.

Thank you to Mr Kingston for all his help in getting this ready.

Lastly, thanks to an enormously generous offer by an anonymous donor, we have been able to purchase almost £5,000 worth of new science equipment and resources for the children to use in their science lessons.

We are incredibly fortunate to have received such a wonderful donation and I know that the children's scientific work will benefit dramatically from this incredible investment.

An element of this donation has also been earmarked for scientific trips/visitors as and when restrictions allow.

**Thank you so much!**

Having checked the school diaries, lockdown has been the longest the children have been away from Thorner's in our 330 year history.

**In March of 1919 Thorner's closed for 3 weeks owing to the "prevalence of influenza".**

As for all, our route through the coming winter is uncertain, but we are very grateful for all the support and cooperation shown by our parents and staff.

From my office I can hear that the school bell is ringing now for the start of the day...long may this continue.

**Mike Sitch Headteacher**





## Burton Bradstock CE School



As I write, we are into the second week of the Autumn term. It was wonderful to welcome all the children back after the enforced school closure in the Spring and Summer terms.

The children have returned to school enthusiastic to re-engage with their learning and are enjoying the interaction with their friends and the staff again. Obviously, there are changes to the school environment, following the national guidance, but we are endeavouring to keep the school as relaxed as possible, whilst minimising the risk.

I have noticed that the parents/carers are also enjoying the interaction with each other on the return to school. For many, they have not had contact with each other for many months and have enjoyed catching up during drop-off and pick-up. This is especially true for our new Reception parents/carers who are supporting each other through this emotional time of dropping off their little ones at 'big school'. Due to the restrictions, the adults are not permitted to come into the classroom to settle their children so the 'goodbyes' are done at the school gate.

These important transitions cannot be rushed but we have been so impressed by the children's independence and maturity as they wave their parents off at the gate.

Understandably, the new school term means that it is busier at the start and end of the school day in the village.

We have introduced staggered drop off and pick up times to ease congestion and we encourage our families to leave promptly and to remember social distancing. We are grateful for the understanding from our neighbours at this time.

***The children are continuing to learn through our cross-curricular topics.***

**In our Early Years, 'Why do you love me so much?'**

will encourage the children to consider why they are special and the importance of family and friends.

## **In Key Stage 1, their topic 'Splendid Skies'**

will see the children exploring the weather and seasonal changes. They have already enjoyed studying the cloud formations!

## **Lower Key Stage 2's project, 'Through the Ages'**

has a history focus where the children will be finding out about the Stone Age, the Bronze Age and the Iron Age.

Finally, the children in **Upper Key Stage 2**

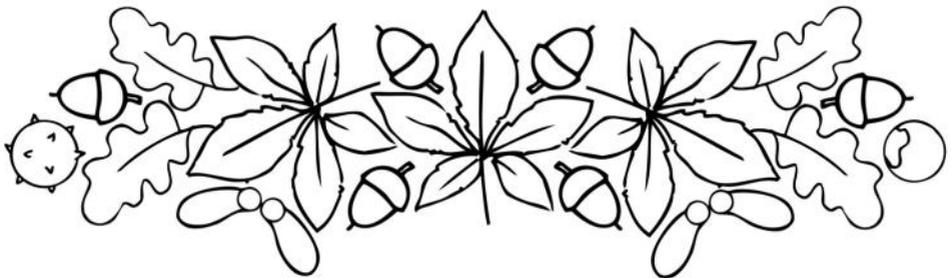
**will be learning about Earth and Space with their topic, 'Stargazers'.**

The Friends of the School are busy brainstorming ideas for suitable fundraising events within the constraints of government guidance. We are always extremely grateful for their financial donations which enhances the learning of the children.

The contribution from last year's fundraising enabled us to purchase some Chromebooks – an invaluable resource as it transpired with the enforced school closure and the need for remote learning! So far, we have purchased enough for half a class, and our target is to purchase more for a whole class.

It is unlikely that we will be able to have a Christmas Fair this year, but there are plans to run our 100 club again. If you are interested in being part of this then please contact the school office on 897369.

**Claire Staple, Headteacher**



# LITTON CHENEY

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## St. Mary's Church

**Harvest Service – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 9.30 a.m.**

Due to the current Covid restrictions our Harvest Service on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October** will still take place, but at **9.30 a.m.** not 11.00 a.m as was previously announced, and there cannot be a shared lunch afterwards of course. However, if you would like to bring an offering of tinned or dried goods as a Harvest thanksgiving to the service, they will be passed on to appropriate recipients. It would be lovely if you could join us for our Harvest celebration even if it is not quite the same – and the choir has recorded an anthem!

As the fete could not take place this year, St. Mary's will be looking at other ways to fund-raise for the upkeep of our beautiful church – we'll hope to have some information later in the year. In the meantime, if you have any bright ideas, do let us know!

Ride & Stride – Congratulations to those who rode and strode for the benefit of St Mary's and Dorset Historic Churches Trust on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Our grateful thanks to Freddie Spicer, Diana and Tom Cheater, Gregg Ellman and Hugh Warrington.

### Litton Cheney Parish Council

**September's Meeting** - Probably the best attended meeting in a while, albeit virtually, but then the main subject was the possible establishment of a speed limit in the village so that may explain why. The outcome? The draft minutes of the meeting on the village website will give you the full details but the Parish Council will be requesting Dorset Council to consider imposing a 30 mph limit in the village, with the possibility of a 20 mph limit along School Lane. A speed survey is an option that could be taken up by the Parish Council if thought appropriate.

Stop Press: It has just been reported, for a second time, that the hand sanitiser located at the children's playground has been severely vandalised by persons unknown. It has been reported to the police. Someone has also smashed glass on the hand standing. It appears we are still privileged to have a number of mindless individuals in our midst.

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place virtually on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November** when further discussions no doubt will be held regarding the speed limit, and the council review of finances in advance of deciding on the village precept. There is currently a vacancy on the parish council. This is your chance to be actively involved in the administration of the village, and perhaps add impetus to the work of the council. Interested? Please contact Parish Clerk, Maggie Walsh for more details. Contact details available on the village website.



## **Litton and Thorner's Community Hall**



With Covid compliance in place, the hall is in use once again by Thorner's School for KS1 lunches and individual music lessons in the meeting room. Yoga classes are returning and Portesham Surgery will be holding their flu clinic on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> between 2.00 and 5.00 (appointments necessary).

Our risk assessment and additional conditions of hire are available on request from Bookings Secretary— Wendy Firrell [wtlitton@gmail.com](mailto:wtlitton@gmail.com)  
Tel: 01308 48253

### **Litton Cheney Social Committee**

Unfortunately the **VILLAGE FAMILY FUN DAY** had to be cancelled due to the change of Covid regulations. Thanks to everyone who gave their support; absolutely necessary and very welcome. The poster designed by Andy King is in storage for whenever it is possible to hold this event!!

### **Village Litter Pick**

During the week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> September various teams of volunteer local residents scoured the village for litter. The result of their toils were deposited behind the bus shelter and subsequently picked up by Dorset Council. Our grateful thanks to all those who gave up their time and energy to help keep our village devoid of litter, and also to Dorset Waste

Partnership for providing the necessary litter picking equipment. For those who sadly missed out helping this year, the good news is we will do it all again next year so all is not lost.

### **Premier Crew Re-emerge**

My thanks to members of the Premier Crew who, on two occasions recently, after bouts of torrential rain, rallied to the cause and cleared the debris, rocks and gravel that had accumulated at the bottom of Whiteway and down into Main St and the entrance into the playing field.

It was good to be back in harness, with the light hearted banter and a short refresher course on how to lean on your shovel/broom with panache. If you would like to join this merry band we would love to meet you – no qualifications necessary, gender equality prevalent and absolutely ageless – please call John Firrell 482313.

A number of recent additions have thankfully reduced the average age by a decade or two so come one, come all.

### **The Village Telephone Kiosk is being adopted**

BT have indicated their intent to remove the village telephone kiosk, along with kiosks in many other Dorset villages, because of a lack of use. No calls have been made from the kiosk in the last eighteen months.

The Parish Council have objected to the kiosk's removal and have applied to adopt it at the cost of £1.

Once the process has been completed, the telephone equipment will be removed. Local residents are now being asked to decide what use the kiosk should be given – so, the world is your oyster – let your imagination run wild!

When we eventually assemble for our belated annual village gathering, we will be asking for your opinions but you don't need to wait until then as you can pass your suggestion to John Firrell [jfirrell20@gmail.com](mailto:jfirrell20@gmail.com).

Many thanks in anticipation of a deluge of (polite) suggestions!



**BRIDE VALLEY FILMS**  
at Litton Cheney Community Hall.



BVF had hoped to show our two spring films, **Judy** and **Knives Out**, in the autumn; however the Covid situation continues to be unresolved. Although we can seat 34 for a socially distanced viewing in Litton, Burton cannot achieve their break even numbers in their hall. So screenings are not viable at present.

With this in mind and the fact that many people may not be happy to attend indoor events until possibly a vaccine is created, we have decided to delay any new dates until 2021; hopefully we may be able to resume then. At such time we will need to try to ascertain whether everyone has seen all available films during lockdown etc. so we can confirm titles.

Meantime we hope everyone keeps well - and continues to enjoy beautiful Dorset!

And finally, but never least.....



**The White Horse – Andy & Liz Venning**

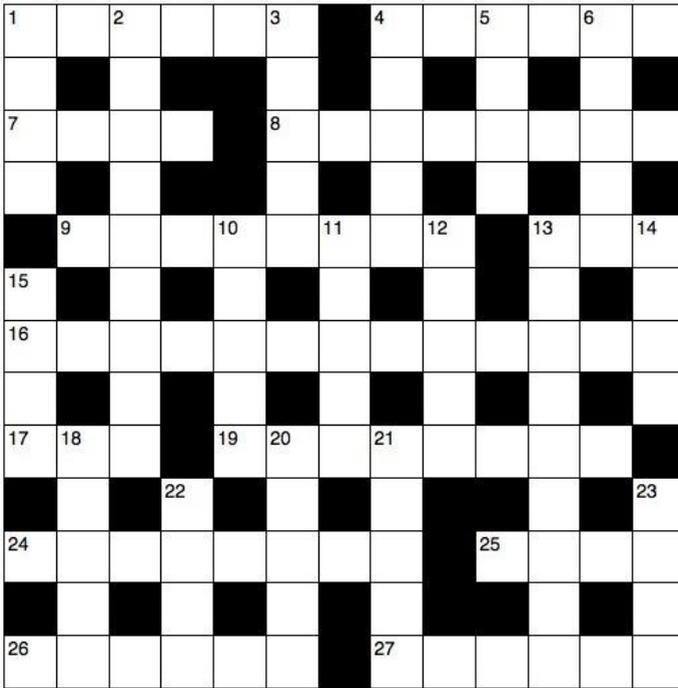
We should have been reporting on the great time had by all at the Village Fun Day which would have culminated at the pub but sadly it had to be cancelled.



Bank Holiday Monday was amazingly busy and business generally has been very good. Thank you for all your support during these strange and confusing times.

We are here for you and we will continue to seek out events and happenings that don't break the rules but manage to add a little normality and joy into our lives.

Who knows what Autumn will bring?.....



**CROSSWORD CLUES**

**Across**

- 1 He must be 'the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well' (1 Timothy 3:12) (6)
- 4 'For we must all — before the judgement seat of Christ' (2 Corinthians 5:10) (6)
- 7 'They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their — end' (Psalm 107:27) (4)
- 8 See 19 Across
- 9 It concerned who among the disciples would be the greatest (Luke 9:46) (8)
- 13 Formed by the Jews in Thessalonica to root out Paul and Silas (Acts 17:5) (3)
- 16 'He has sent me to bind up the — ' (Isaiah 61:1) (6-7)
- 17 Moved rapidly on foot (Matthew 28:8) (3)
- 19 and 8 ' — a great company of the — host appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (8,8)
- 24 Hindrance (Romans 14:13) (8)
- 25 Comes between Luke and Acts (4)
- 26 Empower (Acts 4:29) (6)
- 27 'Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a — !' (John 2:16) (6)

**Down**

- 1 Sunrise (Psalm 119:147) (4)
- 2 The strain of the day when Cornelius the Caesarean centurion had a vision of an angel of

- God (Acts 10:3) (9)
- 3 He was one of those who returned with Zerubbabel from exile in Babylon to Jerusalem (Nehemiah 7:7) (5)
- 4 'No one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born — ' (John 3:3) (5)
- 5 Animal hunted or killed as food (Ezekiel 22:25) (4)
- 6 'He encouraged them — — remain true to the Lord' (Acts 11:23) (3,2)
- 10 Ruses (anag.) (5)
- 11 Jewish priestly vestment (Exodus 28:6) (5)
- 12 Visible sign of what had been there (Daniel 2:35) (5)
- 13 This was the trade of Alexander, who did Paul 'a great deal of harm' (2 Timothy 4:14) (9)
- 14 'This is my — , which is for you; do this in remembrance of me' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (4)
- 15 One of Noah's great-great-grandsons (Genesis 10:24) (4)
- 18 Traditionally the first British Christian martyr (5)
- 20 Relationship of Ner to Saul (1 Samuel 14:50) (5)
- 21 Jacob had one at a place he named Bethel while on his way to Haran, fleeing from Esau (Genesis 28:12) (5)
- 22 Bats (anag.) (4)
- 23 'You strain out a — but swallow a camel' (Matthew 23:24) (4)

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# SHIPTON GORGE

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## ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

### October Floodlight Sponsorship

I had a call from the grave a week or so ago, literally! It was from a gentleman who was on holiday down here and had located his great grandfather's grave in our churchyard and wanted to light up the church in his memory. His ancestor's name was Eli Pester (1820-1892) and he was a stonemason.

Our sponsors this month are:

Nick Russel-Davis for Hazel

Tracey and Dave remembering Aubrey, Joan and Alf,

Phil & Sheena for their grandson Finley's 4<sup>th</sup> birthday

Anne Jones for her son Bruce's birthday on 16<sup>th</sup> and a big thank you to everyone in Shipton Gorge for the wonderful welcome back after a long time away.

Paul & Martine Thimont who celebrated their wedding anniversary last month.

Mark Pester for his Gt, grandfather Eli Pester.

Thank you also to our sponsors who prefer to remain anonymous.

If anyone wishes to light up the church in the coming months, please contact Phyl on 01308 898657 or if you prefer, push a note through Cuckoo Cottage post box. A suggested donation of £5 is appreciated. (Please check the cut-off date for the BVN if you would like your occasion mentioned in the magazine.)

## PARISH COUNCIL

Our Parish Council meeting for September was cancelled due to new Covid 19 restrictions on social gatherings. Our next one would be due to be held in November but this will depend on restrictions in place at that time. Please see the village website for information on this nearer the time. [www.shiptongorge.org.uk](http://www.shiptongorge.org.uk)

With the rise in Covid-19 cases it is likely that we will have more residents needing to either self isolate or be quarantined over the next months. So please remember that our **The Self-Isolation Network** and **Buddy Scheme** is continuing to provide support for anyone in the parish who needs assistance of any sort. Please do get in touch with any of the contacts if you, or someone you know, needs help or support.

## SHIPTON GORGE HERITAGE

Having held no events since last November, we are now sorely in need of income so that we can continue to maintain the Orchard and the Saunders Richardson Wood. Regrettably we have had to cancel the three events we were hoping to have before the end of the year (Village Harvest Supper, Jumble Sale and Bingo evening) but we are instead holding a **Produce Stall on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 2pm to 4pm**. This will be held either outside the village hall, weather permitting, or inside if necessary. It will be strictly socially controlled with just four people at a time being allowed to visit the stall. We will also be circulating a list of the things that are available so that anyone can order items and have them delivered. We know this isn't ideal but we hope that by carefully controlling this event we can at least raise some much needed funds.

*Mary Boughton*

## SHIPTON GORGE VILLAGE HALL

This has been a challenging 6 months for the hall, with a period of closure and the halting of all events and activities. This included our Annual General Meeting, which was originally scheduled for 1st April. While we had hoped to hold this once restrictions eased, distancing rules for indoor public meetings makes this difficult and the trustees have, reluctantly, taken the decision to cancel this year's AGM. Instead we have posted reports from the Chairman and Treasurer on the hall page of the village

website ([www.shiptongorge.org.uk](http://www.shiptongorge.org.uk) <<http://www.shiptongorge.org.uk>> ), together with our Annual Report for the 2019 financial year. **Please take a look and contact me if you have questions – Tony Mallett on 01308 898701**

The AGM is also normally the time when we invite anyone interested in helping run the hall to stand as a trustee. Again, this has not been possible but if you would like to join us please call me to learn more.

The hall has now reopened, and those clubs and organisations that used the premises pre-lock down have been invited to return providing they follow national guidance on hygiene and distancing. Unfortunately these same restrictions mean we are unable to offer the hall for casual hire or functions, but look forward to these resuming when circumstances permit.

*Tony Mallett, Chairman Shipton Gorge Village Hall Trust*

### **VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB September draw**

**1<sup>st</sup> £25 No 106 Roger Sorrell**

**2<sup>nd</sup> £10 No 64 Lyn Grace**

**3<sup>rd</sup> £5 No 82 Helen from Rockway**

Congratulations to all the winners. *Graham Garner*

If you are not already a member of our village 100 club, you would be most welcome to join.

It only costs £10 for you to be included in every monthly draw from Oct 2020 to Sept 2021.

Cash prizes every month with two super draws in Dec and June.

**Forget the National Lottery. This one is far more rewarding!**

**Tel: Graham on 897357**

# LONG BREDY

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## St Peter's Church

The memorial service for the departed will be on the 1st November in St Mary's Church, Burton Bradstock at 3pm. Anyone wishing to have a deceased person's name read out at the service, please let Jackie Cain know well before the service.

### LONG BREDY 100 CLUB

#### August 2020 Draw

<b>£30</b>	<b>no.127</b>	<b>Cathy Macey</b>
<b>£15</b>	<b>no.35</b>	<b>Jane Peretz</b>
<b>£5</b>	<b>no.93</b>	<b>G &amp; M Maltby</b>

**Drawn on 26/08/2020 - at 11, The Gardens - by Charlotte, Dave and Ruth - while social distancing.**

#### Fishmonger in Long Bredy

"Catch of the Day" fishmonger from West Bay visits the village each Thursday afternoon between 2.00 and 2.30pm., parking outside the phone box.

He usually has a good range of fish, a charming manner, and offers another local service well-worth supporting for anyone who enjoys food from the sea, often caught in Lyme Bay.



# PUNCKNOWLE, SWYRE & WEST BEXINGTON

VILLAGE CORRESPONDENTS



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## ST MARY'S CHURCH PUNCKNOWLE

### WELCOME TO OUR REGULAR SERVICES IN CHURCH

Sunday 4 October	Holy Communion	9.30am
Sunday 11 October	Evening Prayer	5pm
Sunday 18 October	All Age Holy Communion	11.30am
Sunday 25 October	Family Service	9.30am

The Church is kept closed all week to ensure that it is completely clear of any contamination by casual visitors.

All are very welcome, though you will be asked to observe social distancing and to wear a facial covering.

### THE CROWN – OPEN AT LAST

A very warm welcome to Lyn and Paul who have chased away all the spiders from The Crown and reopened it with every support from all the village.

**Opening Hours**      Sunday to Thursday    12 noon to 9pm  
Friday & Saturday      12 noon to 10pm

Dogs and their owners are very welcome and it is hoped that by the time you read this in October food will be available as well.

### DEFIBRILLATOR

The Parish Council has now taken over the lease for the defibrillator. It has now been moved from The Crown to the courtyard of the village hall and is placed on an outside wall of the hall itself.

## PHONE BOXES

The Parish Council have now adopted the phone boxes in Swyre and Puncknowle and would be interested in any sensible suggestion as to their future use.

Please contact the Parish Clerk on 01308 897987



## Holy Trinity Church Swyre

With the easing of Covid-19 restrictions we have been able to welcome visitors to Sunday services once again; and, happily we are now also able to open the church for private prayer each Wednesday.

The Sunday service schedule is on the back of each months BVN, and we are most grateful to our faithful band of village 'openers and closers' for the Wednesday opening.

Sue Taylor

## VACANCIES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

Puncknowle and Swyre Parish Council needs new members for its team that represents the areas of Puncknowle, Swyre and West Bexington.

As a councillor representing your community you would help to keep it a great place in which to live and work. You would be expected to undertake some training and should be comfortable working electronically. Generally, councillors are elected by the public every four years. The next election is due in 2023, and we currently have spaces for co-option in the interim period.

If you think you would like to know more, and are over 18, please call the Clerk on 01308 897987 or email [puncknowle@dorset-aptc.gov.uk](mailto:puncknowle@dorset-aptc.gov.uk).  
THE CLOSING DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2020

## BURTON BRADSTOCK

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### St Mary's Church

#### Did you miss the St Mary's Church Fete?

Did you miss the Church Fete this year? Did you miss all the hard work preparing for it? Did you miss worrying what the weather would do? Did you miss all the fun and excitement of the occasion and the feeling of tiredness but grateful relief that significant funds had been raised? Did you miss the opportunity to financially support the church? **It is not too late to help.**

Before and during lockdown the installation of the disabled toilet and construction of the kitchenette were completed – both made possible by funds raised at previous fetes. This year it had been hoped to raise funds towards the levelling of the floor to enable further accessibility. In addition, considerable and expensive work has been required to repair the leaking South Window. If you would like to contribute to the on-going improvements in the church, you can now make a gift in one of the following ways:

Directly online using the QR code on the right, or you can visit the village website at [www.burtonbradstockvillage.org](http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org) and click on "support our church" (*do have a look around this wonderful website while you are there*).

Alternatively you can send a cheque payable to "PCC of Burton Bradstock" to the Church Treasurer at 14, Hive Close, Burton Bradstock, DT6 4RQ.



### Burton Bradstock Burial Ground

The Burial Ground on Shipton Lane is an important part of the village, but one which is not well known except to a small number of villagers and visitors. Although it is away from the church building and churchyard it remains the responsibility of the church. It is a considerable logistical and financial burden on the congregation. It stands back from the road and over time had become overgrown, gloomy and difficult to manage.

Over the last few years clearance of overhanging trees and levelling of uneven ground has been undertaken. Most recently the long hedge has been reduced in size which has made it easier to manage and further opened up the space. This work has been carried out by a small, hardworking group of volunteers together with David and Ben Prickett of Above and Below Tree Services and their mechanical aids.

The Burial Ground is an interesting, relaxing and peaceful place to visit and it is well worth walking to the top. There you will see that there are only a few spaces now left for burials and that it will be necessary for the village to think about future provision. The Rector would be pleased to receive any views about possible ways of addressing this problem.

*Peter Broomhead*

## **Burton Bradstock Village Hall**

### **Village Hall Activity**

A few of the regular activities held at the Hall restarted in September. The decision to do so is entirely with the organiser, so please contact them directly if you want to know if and when your interests restart.

Some local groups have held committee meetings at the Hall in a safe manner and others are planning to do so.

Should you wish to use the Hall, the booking officer can be contacted via email at [bbvht.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:bbvht.bookings@gmail.com) or by phone on 01308897648.

During August the Hall held 3 “clean up” sessions during which inside and outside areas were cleaned, paint touched up, gutters cleaned and general maintenance completed. Many thanks to all who helped in a socially distanced way.

### **Film nights**

Given current restrictions, the Trust has decided to delay all film night showings until the start of 2021. We hope to start off with the films we planned to show this year.

### **Coffee Mornings**

The Village Hall Trust is planning to hold the first of three coffee mornings for limited numbers of Village Residents on Wed 14<sup>th</sup> October between 10:00 & 12:00. These will be run by a dedicated team of Volunteers working to a risk assessed plan based on current guidelines.

The event will be repeated in November and December, providing restrictions at the time allow it.

For more information look for posters that will be put up 2 weeks prior to the event.

The Hall currently has the equipment to sanitise and check temperatures on entry and clean all equipment to be used (the new coffee tables are plastic topped for ease of cleaning). There must be Table service by volunteers, control of numbers in the Hall, maximum of 2 households per table, no moving around the Hall and face coverings to be worn except when eating or drinking for it to be able to proceed.

The Trust is keen to give Villagers the opportunity to attend and will be interested to see if people feel able to do so.

*Richard Ferre*

## **Burton Bradstock Village Hall “200 Club”**

### **September 2020 Draw**

#### **Congratulations to the winners:**

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>£35.60</b>	<b>No 1:</b>	<b>Mr David Suckling</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>£17.80</b>	<b>No 7:</b>	<b>Mr Terence Ellis</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>£8.90</b>	<b>No 44:</b>	<b>Mr Micheal Read</b>

Anyone wanting to become a member in time for the Oct 2020 draw should telephone Keith Britton on 01308 898008 and let him have £3 – one pound for each monthly draw in the year. There are double prizes in the December draw.

**WDDC Licence no: SL0080**

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**



**Parish of St Mary the Virgin Burton Bradstock with Chilcombe**

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in the Church

on **Sunday 11th October 2020 at 11.45 am**

## Burton Bradstock Village Society

Our **Village Society AGM** will take place on **Friday November 13th** at **7pm** in the **Village Hall**. We are currently planning the logistics of the meeting but it will inevitably include our streaming the live event via Zoom as well as allowing a limited attendance in person.

Unfortunately because of Covid restrictions we will be unable to offer refreshments or entertainment this year in the Village Hall.

Members will receive full details shortly.

If anyone would like to join the **Village Society Committee** please would they let our **Hon Sec Roger Ashman** know and he will send proposal forms to you.

## Friends of Burton Bradstock Library (FBBL)

Burton Bradstock Community Library is OPEN on Wednesday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Following guidance from Dorset Council and Libraries Connected, all risk assessments have been completed and actions taken to ensure the safety of our customers and volunteers. Items being returned to the library are quarantined for 72 hours before being back dated and removed from your account.

You are now once again able to reserve items on the Libraries West catalogue, for pick-up in Burton Bradstock. The catalogue is available on-line from your browser or by using the free libraries App. There is a temporary limit of 10 reservations per library member at any one time. If you prefer, we can order items for you, and if you would like to use this service please leave all the details when you visit on a Wednesday morning.

The loan period has reverted to 21 days for books, (7 or 14 days for DVDs), and overdue charges and hire fees (where relevant), will apply. Please be aware that any items out on loan prior to closure on March 18th 2020, will start accruing overdue charges. If you are returning overdue items, it is important that you make us aware.

While we are at present only open on Wednesday mornings, the volunteers will call if you have a reservation available, and offer you the opportunity to collect and return your books on Saturday afternoon. If you prefer to pick-up at Bridport library, they are open from 9:30am to 1pm excluding Thursday.

## **Friends of Burton Bradstock Library Membership**

Annual membership subscriptions to the FBBL fall due on the 1<sup>st</sup> October. These monies together with any funds raised by the Friends go towards the annual running costs and ongoing maintenance of the library building. Support for the "Friends" and the continued hard work of our volunteers is essential to keep this valuable resource in the village. If you are not already a "Friend", then please consider becoming one, membership forms are available in the Library or from our website.

For our volunteers safety we have kept the letterbox at the library closed, so I would ask that any correspondence is addressed c/o Vine House, Shadrack, Burton Bradstock, DT6 4QF

The annual Library Ploughman's Lunch will not take place this year, but we hope to be able to provide Christmas cards to purchase. Details of how to obtain these will be posted on our notice board.

## **Normal Opening hours for Burton Bradstock Community Library**

Wednesday, 9.30am – 12.30pm

Contact information:

Email: [info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk) web:  
[www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk](http://www.burtonbradstocklibrary.org.uk)

*Rosemary Daniels (on behalf of FBBL Trustees)*

## **A Thank you from Burton Post Office**

Can we please record a special thank you to Susan Moores and David Edwards for setting up the Gnome Trail and the picture quiz. They were a great success and couldn't have come at a better time as we have put the money raised towards a new large fridge as ours broke down last week.

We really do appreciate all the hard work they put in.

***Gill and Pete Mayo***  
***Burton Post Office***

Well we did it!! Masks were put carefully in place, temperatures taken, hand sanitiser applied and, seated at our own tables, 2 metres apart .....we had our first committee meeting since the outbreak of coronavirus!!! Since March 4<sup>th</sup> to be exact. 6 whole months.

Apart from the fact that it was so nice to see each other again and feel a slight amount of normality beginning to return, we felt that we were able to quickly pick up a few of the pieces from where we left off. There was no shortage of discussion and we were even tentatively thinking of how we might plan our first meeting back, even if it meant splitting into two sessions so as not to exceed the specified limit in a gathering.

The prospect of our annual Christmas meal at Bridport Golf Club was greeted with enthusiasm and agreed to be a possibility, even if we had to leave our husbands behind on this occasion or, again, split into two groups depending on numbers.

Feelers were put out and it was beginning to seem quite feasible – but, alas, Boris has spoken and instigated The Rule of Six so our plans have once again been scuppered! It's all for the good, of course, and as long as everyone continues to keep safe and well, that is the top priority.

Our Thursday afternoon Activity Group did manage to have one meeting at the beginning of September and enjoyed catching up and crafting together after such a long time. It is possible that this could continue if the numbers are restricted and guidelines adhered to.

The WI ladies, however, are made of strong stuff and will continue to take the latest precautions in their stride and make the best of the situation. The Rule of Six still allows for small gatherings for afternoon tea, we can continue to craft at home and continue with our gardening, odd jobs, sorting out, reading, baking, walking and all those other things we enjoy.

We should still be able to have our next committee meeting even if we have to draw straws to choose which six will attend!! We will not be beaten and we will get there in the end!!

*Janet Pearson*

# BURTON BRADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

## Parish Plan 2020-2025 Consultation draft

The Draft Parish Plan 2020-2025 is now out for consultation online, please follow the link to the Parish Council website to view the plan and complete the questionnaire.

<https://burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org/the-council/parish-plan/>

## Play Area Project

We are very pleased to announce that the Play Area in Burton Bradstock will, we hope by the time this is published, have phase 2 completed. A large climbing structure with slide, smaller toddler double slide and four-way springer unit are due to be completed in early October. The Parish council would like to thank the Recreation Group for all their hard work and all those people who donated and organised events to fund raise. In total for phase 2 the Play Area Project raised a whopping £24,838.64 and we hope the children will enjoy their new play equipment.

**Again, thank you for all your support!**

## Improving Broadband Coverage in West Dorset

The PC received a letter from MP Chris Loder asking for information about those with poor broadband.

Please see the information in the letter, as follows:

*Following BT's announcement of a £12 billion investment in Openreach to support the Universal Service Obligation and my representation, BT have offered to assist with the community fibre scheme for improvement in West Dorset. In order to best pinpoint where in the constituency we most need assistance, I would be grateful if you were able to highlight any areas in your parish where broadband coverage is particularly bad, and pass on to me the postcodes of those areas. Then if you could nominate a person for each poor-coverage area with whom we would be able to coordinate going forward, that would be most helpful. Thank you in anticipation of your assistance with this effort – I would appreciate it if you would let me know as soon as possible.*

Yours sincerely

Chris Loder MP

Member of Parliament for West Dorset

**Please contact the PC asap so we can pass this information on.**

## Vacancy on the Council

Just a reminder that we still have a vacancy on the Council, please contact the Clerk for more info.

## Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm** via Zoom. Unless the guidance changes the PC will continue with Zoom Meetings. See the PC website for full meeting details at least 3 clear days prior to the meeting. All welcome! All the information and supporting documents for meetings is available on the Parish Council website prior to meetings [burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org/](http://burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org/) We will aim to continue meeting on the dates publicised being the first Wednesday of each month (except August) and include any meetings to consider planning items.

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Tel: 07814 016971. Website:

[www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org](http://www.burtonbradstockparishcouncil.org)<https://www.facebook.com/burtonbradstockparishcouncil>

Burton Bradstock are now on Twitter follow the link below take a look and follow us....<https://twitter.com/BurtonBParish>

## A Letter to the Editor

Thank you to the people concerned in getting the £10,000 grants for the Village Hall and the Library. It takes time and dedication to get grant money.

Congratulations to the Three Horseshoes for getting their silver award, they work very hard.

Bredy Farm has had some pleasant, responsible and well organised music weekends, with excellent food available in their pretty farmyard restaurant, the Parlour, all prepared by their Chef Simon, who has worked abroad and in London.

The Egg Cup and the Seaside Boarding House have very well distanced tables inside and out. Now the tourists, or the majority, have gone maybe it would be nice if as a village we supported the local eateries, who have spent money, time and effort on their 'abodes' to make them safe for us. I know a lot of people already do this, thank you.

If you still need a simple washable, double material mask I am able to make you one.

Keep well and safe in these 'different' times and as Jane would say 'God Bless'

Thank you,

*Barbara James (tel 898165)*

# LITTLEBREDY

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## St Michael and All Angels

These notes are being written after a P.C.C. Meeting agreed various arrangements for forthcoming events in the village, but also after the new “6 persons” law was introduced, which may obviously affect them.

**Ride and Stride on Saturday 12th September.** Tim and Angela Laycock nobly took part on behalf of the village, and many thanks indeed to them. It was difficult for them to seek sponsorship in the usual way, so parishioners who would like to support them are asked to make contact at No. 1, Riverside Cottage or on 482443. Retrospective sponsorship would of course be very welcome, and 50% of the total sum raised is returned for the benefit of our Church.

The **Harvest Thanksgiving** and Harvest Supper were originally planned for **Sunday 11th October**. Because of social distancing considerations, it will clearly be impossible to hold the supper in the hall, so this year **the Supper has regretfully been cancelled**. However (subject to the first paragraph above), the **Harvest Thanksgiving Service will go ahead in Church at 5.00 p.m.**, with social distancing applying, and people willing to help decorate the church in advance will be contacted or can put themselves forward to Catherine Williams on 482232, please. We hope for a good attendance if possible.

The Easter Vestry Meeting, and Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which could not be held in April as usual because of lockdown, have been re-arranged to follow the 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion Service in Church on **Sunday 25th October**, or at 11.45 that morning, whichever is the later. These Meetings are open to all parishioners, whether church attenders or not, to consider matters relevant to the local and wider Church, so those who are not there for the service are very welcome to join in afterwards.

Please keep safe and well in the event of another coronavirus “spike”...

## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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Home-Start West Dorset  
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E: [office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk](mailto:office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk)



Home-Start West Dorset

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP OTHER FAMILIES IN WEST DORSET?

Do you have parenting experience and 2-3 hours a week available to visit a local family in need? Home-Start West Dorset is looking for volunteers to offer practical and emotional support to families with children under five.

Families require help for many different reasons, including loneliness and isolation, multiple births, poor mental health, illness or disability, housing or financial stresses; or maybe they are just finding parenting a struggle. Covid 19 has also meant many families in Dorset have been finding life particularly hard for the last few months.

Home-Start West Dorset is a well-known local independent charity that has operated across West Dorset, Weymouth, Portland and Sherborne since 2009. All volunteers undertake a 26-hour training course, spread over multiple weeks, which gives them all skills and tools they'll need. Once matched with a suitable family, our volunteers continue to be fully supported, including a personal supervision every six weeks.

During this time of social distancing the charity has successfully moved its support to on line; still giving weekly support through phone and video call, texts and post. Kelly Rolfe, one of the charity's organisers says, "As lockdown guidelines have eased, many more families have been pushed towards a vulnerable status and we're getting increasing amounts of referrals. We are aiming to organise a new volunteer training course as soon as it is safe to do so, and are looking for women and men with parenting experience, aged 18 and over, to apply now so that we can get going again as soon as possible."

For more information or an application form please contact us on 01305 265072 or email [office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk](mailto:office@homestartwestdorset.co.uk)



<b>SERVICES IN THE BRIDE VALLEY CHURCHES OCTOBER 2020</b>				
	<b>1st Sunday 4 October Trinity 16</b>	<b>2nd Sunday 11 October Trinity 17</b>	<b>3rd Sunday 18 October Trinity 18</b>	<b>4th Sunday 25 October Bible Sunday</b>
Burton Bradstock	8.00 Holy Communion 10.30 Harvest Festival	11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer	9.30 Family Service	11.00 Holy Communion 6.30 Evening Prayer
Chilcombe			4.00 Harvest Service	
Shipton Gorge	11.00 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion by ext	5.30 Evensong
Swyre	6.30 Evening Prayer	11.00 Holy Communion	11.00 Harvest Festival	9.30 Holy Communion
Puncknowle	9.30 Holy Communion	5.00 Evening Prayer	11.00 All age Holy Communion	9.30 Family Service
Litton Cheney	9.30 Harvest Service	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Holy Communion
Long Bredy	11.00 Holy Communion		9.30 Morning Worship	
Littlebredy		5.00 Harvest Thanksgiving		11.00 Holy Communion