

Aston Botterell,  
Burwarton,  
Ditton Priors,  
Neenton.



Chetton,  
Cleobury North,  
Loughton,  
Wheathill.

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*...FOR ALL WHO ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD ARE  
CHILDREN OF GOD...*



*As a Church we pray for those who are ill  
and in need and for those recently departed  
and their families.*

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Trinity Sunday (Gold or White)**

10.00 – Group Holy Communion – Wheathill  
Revd Joe – Hymns 212, 242, 380, 522

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024**

**The First Sunday after Trinity (Green)**

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors  
Revd Joe – Hymns 174, 27, 464a, 508  
11.30am – Holy Communion – Aston Botterell  
Revd Joe – Hymns 174, 27, 464a, 508

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**The Second Sunday after Trinity (Green)**

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors  
Revd Val – Hymns to be confirmed  
11.30am – Holy Communion – Cleobury North  
Revd Val – Hymns to be confirmed  
Please note the change of service date  
in the month for Cleobury North

## **LOOKING INTO JUNE**

### **Activities & News throughout the Benefice**

more info in Wheatland News or online at  
[www.achurchnearyou.com/Brown-Clee-Benefice](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/Brown-Clee-Benefice)

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June – First Coffee Morning of the Month at St. John the Baptist, 10.30am – 12.30**  
Everyone welcome. Please come and join in this very friendly event. No charge for entry ☕🍰

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Sponsored Walk starting from St. John the Baptist, 11.00am.**  
Sponsor forms available from the church. A light lunch will be served in church following the walk.  
Enjoy a walk in our beautiful Benefice 🚶🚶

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Promise Auction at The Down Inn at 7.00pm.**  
To raise funds for repairs to the WWI memorial stained-glass window in Neenton Church. Tickets £25 per person to include a 2- course meal. Please contact 07885 671335 for tickets. Lots of wonderful Promises 🎁🇬🇧

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Car Treasure Hunt in aid of Aston Botterell Church, starting at 1.30pm.**  
**Starting point to be confirmed.**  
£11.00 per team of four. Light refreshments. Please contact Anne Preece to book 🚗🔍

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Frog Racing Evening at Ditton Priors Parish Hall, 7.30 pm**(with wooden frogs!) A Charity Evening with Brown Clee YFC.  
Further details in next week's pew sheet 🐸🐸

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### Collect for the day

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Readings for Sunday 26th May 2024

#### Psalm 29

#### Isaiah 6. 1 - 8

#### **A Vision of God in the Temple**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'



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### Romans 8. 12 - 17

#### **Life in the Spirit**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

### John 3. 1 - 17

#### **Nicodemus Visits Jesus**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.