

Aston Botterell,
Burwarton,
Ditton Priors,
Neenton.



Chetton,
Cleobury North,
Loughton,
Wheathill.

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'DO NOT FEAR ONLY BELIEVE'



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

Our Services

Sunday 30th June 2024

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

11.30am – Group Holy Communion – Chetton

Revd Joe – Hymns 56, 106, 15, 457

6.30pm – Evening Prayer – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe - No Hymns

Sunday 7th July 2024

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe - Hymns – 158, 313, 366, 422

11.30am – Holy Communion – Aston Botterell

Revd Joe - Hymns – 158, 313, 366, 422

Sunday 14th July 2024

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Val

11.30am – Holy Communion – Chetton

Revd Val

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Activities & News throughout the Benefice

more info in Wheatland News or online at

www.achurchnearyou.com/Brown-Clee-Benefice

Saturday 29th June – 12pm – 3pm

Brown Clee School Summer Fair &

Table-top Sale at Brown Clee School. 🏠 🎡

Join friends of Brown Clee School & Little Explorers Preschool for an afternoon of fun for all the family. Raffle tickets are available from the school & preschool. Brilliant prizes to be won! To book a table for the table-top sale please contact

Fundraising.LittleExplorers@gmail.com

Sunday 30th June – Lunch to follow the Group Holy Communion at Church House, Chetton. By kind permission of Charles & Lisa Gill. Please contact Sheila if you would like to be included. Donations welcome. 🍷 🥗

Saturday 6th July – Ditton Priors Care Centre. WV16 6TW are holding their Summer Fete

🎡 🎪 **2.00pm – 4.00pm.**

Please go along and support.

Pimms & Puds 🍷 🥗
in The Vicarage Garden, Ditton Priors, 5.00pm
Please come along and join us for this lovely Summer Event. Tickets are £12.50 and can be purchased from Marjorie Jones

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Collect for the day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings for Sunday 30 June 2024

Psalm 130

Lamentations 3. 22 – 33

God's Steadfast Love Endures

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.' 'The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.



2 Corinthians 8. 7 – end

Encouragement to Be Generous

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

Commendation of Titus

But thanks be to God who put in the heart of Titus the same eagerness for you that I myself have. For he not only accepted our appeal, but since he is more eager than ever, he is going to you of his own accord. With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his proclaiming of the good news; and not only that, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us while we are administering this generous undertaking for the glory of the Lord himself and to show our goodwill. We intend that no one should blame us about this generous gift that we are administering, for we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others. And with them we are sending our brother whom we have often tested and found eager in many matters, but who is now more eager than ever because of his great confidence in you. As for Titus, he is my partner and co-worker in your service; as for our brothers, they are messengers of the churches, the glory of Christ. Therefore, openly before the churches, show them the proof of your love and of our reason for boasting about you.

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Mark 5. 21 – end

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease,' while he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.



New Date!

Neenton's Promise Auction will now take place on Saturday 19th October at The Down Inn.

To raise funds for repairs to the area around the Stained-Glass window which is the memorial for the loss of Frank Amies, John Leath and Harry Yapp in WWI. Promises have been very generous from businesses, local people and friends to whom we send a big 'thankyou'. Tickets available at £25 per person to include a 2-course meal. Please contact – 07885-671335. There will be a raffle and lucky ticket prize. Come along and enjoy a fun evening for a very special cause.



The Wedding of Graham Johns and Rebecca Green took place on Saturday 22nd June at St. John the Baptist, Ditton Priors. The church looked beautiful and was filled with families and friends from near and far. We wish Graham and Rebecca every blessing.



Thank you so much to everyone who came and supported our first joint Charity Fundraising Evening with Brown Clee Young Farmers. What a fantastic night! Great skill was needed to persuade the frogs to leave their starting points and hop to the finish. With liquid refreshments, hot dogs and cakes to fuel the jockeys and spectators, the evening will certainly go down as a night to remember! Huge congratulations to Lola (Dot Cartwright's granddaughter), one of the winning jockeys! Thank you to all the Young Farmers, their families and friends for making us feel so welcome. Looking forward to our next collaboration with Brown Clee YFC.!



This week we feature Loughton Chapel of Ease

A definition of chapel of ease taken from Oxford Languages describes it as

‘An Anglican chapel situated for the convenience of parishioners living a long distance from the parish church’.

The earliest mention of an ecclesiastical building at Loughton is 1291, when it was a chapelry of Chetton. Nowadays it is joined to the parish of Wheathill. The Medieval chapel has disappeared, the present structure is of interest on account of when it was rebuilt – 1622.

It appears very few churches were constructed in England between the Reformation and the Great Fire of London (1666).



When you are doing your online shopping don't forget to join easy fundraising to support St. Giles, Chetton and All Saints, Neenton! Once you have signed up, you'll get to support them for free all year round as you do all your usual online shopping. Plus they will get a bonus £5 donation when you raise your first £5!

Here is the link

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk>



On Sunday 16th June Aston Botterell held their Car Treasure Hunt. It really was the best afternoon. A big thank you to Anne and Dave for their hospitality, and to Anne and Sheila for setting a really lovely route which took us to lots of hidden places! If you haven't taken part before, please don't miss it next year.

We've already entered for 2025!



July is just around the corner. On this day in history...

1st July 1916 - The Battle of the Somme began.

1st July 1997 - Hong Kong was officially returned to China.

4th July 1776 - The Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress formally ended America's links with Britain. Now known as Independence Day!

5th July 1948 - The NHS is founded.

9th July 1877 - The first Wimbledon tournament begins.

10th July 1940 – The Battle of Britain began.

13th July 1985 – Live Aid takes place to raise funds for famine relief in Ethiopia.

14th July 1789 – The storming of the Bastille

19th July 1545 – The Mary Rose sinks.

20th July 1969 – Man walks on the Moon.

30th July 1966 – England win the World Cup!



BURWARTON SHOW

As we are getting closer to Burwarton Show. Here is a short quiz to test your Show knowledge!

1. In what year was the first ever Burwarton Show held?
2. How many agricultural shows are held in the UK?
3. Throughout the war years, when no shows were held, what important role did the show societies hold?
4. Can you name the two main ring entertainments at this year's Burwarton Show?
5. Who is the Chairman of this year's Burwarton Show?
6. What time does the show officially open?