

Aston Botterell,
Burwarton,
Chetton,
Cleobury North,



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Ditton Priors,
Loughton,
Neenton,
Wheathill.

.... "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God..."



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

We especially think of the family and friends
of the late Mr. Paul Handley

Our Services

Saturday 28th June

The marriage of Simon John Smith & Karen Miranda
Horton will take place at St. John the Baptist Church,
Ditton Priors at 1.00pm.

We wish Simon & Karen every blessing.

Sunday 29th June – Peter and Paul, Apostles (White)

9.45am – Holy Communion – Chetton

Revd Joe – Hymns 17, 427, 437, 423

11.30am – Holy Communion – Cleobury North

Revd Joe

Sunday 6th July – The Third Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe

11.30am – Holy Communion - Neenton

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Please note change to usual venue at 11.30am due to Bishop Richard's visitation on 20th July

Saturday 12th July

2.00pm – Service of Commemoration to remember the
23 Airmen who lost their lives on and around
The Brown Clee Hill during WWII.

At The Memorial on top of The Brown Clee.
Please see further on in the pew sheet for details.

Activities & News throughout the Benefice

more info in Wheatland News or online at
www.achurchnearyou.com/Brown-Clee-Benefice

Friday 27th June

There will be no Get together Coffee Morning at
Cleobury North in June

Saturday 28th June

Chetton Breakfast at The Down

Please contact Sheila if you would like to join this
lovely start to the weekend! 01746 789443

Sunday 29th June

Aston Botterell Treasure Hunt, 1.00pm

Starting from Middle House Farm, Aston Botterell in
10 – 15 minute intervals. £10.00 per person to include
light refreshments. Raffle. Please contact Ann on
079666 459806 to book your place!

Saturday 5th July

First Coffee Morning of the Month at St. John the
Baptist, Ditton Priors 10.30am – 12.30pm

Saturday 5th July

Pimms & Puds at The Pavilion, Ditton Priors.

5.00 – 8.00pm.

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Tickets are £12.50 and include

Drinks, Puds, Cheese & Crackers and
music by the 'Black-eyed Susans.'

Please contact Marjorie on 01746 712423

Saturday 12th July

2.00pm – Memorial Service on The Brown Clee.
Followed by light refreshments in Cleobury North
Village Hall. Please come along and commemorate the
23 brave airmen who lost their lives on and around The
Brown Clee during WWII

Benefice Office: Open Monday & Wednesday 9.30am – 1.30pm

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Collect for the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings for Sunday 29th June 2025

Psalm 125

Zechariah 4. 1 – 6a, 10b – end

Fifth Vision: The Lampstand and Olive Trees

The angel who talked with me came again, and wakened me, as one is wakened from sleep. He said to me, 'What do you see?' And I said, 'I see a lampstand all of gold, with a bowl on the top of it; there are seven lamps on it, with seven lips on each of the lamps that are on the top of it. And by it there are two olive trees, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left.' I said to the angel who talked with me, 'What are these, my lord?' Then the angel who talked with me answered me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' He said to me, 'This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the LORD of hosts. 'These seven are the eyes of the LORD, which range through the whole earth.' Then I said to him, 'What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?' And a second time I said to him, 'What are these two branches of the olive trees, which pour out the oil^[a] through the two golden pipes?' He said to me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the two anointed ones who stand by the Lord of the whole earth.'

Or Acts 12. 1 – 11

James Killed and Peter Imprisoned

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

Peter Delivered from Prison

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Acts 12. 1 – 11 (see above)

Or 2 Timothy 4. 6 – 8, 17 – 18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Personal Instructions

But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

Matthew 16. 13 – 19

Peter's Declaration about Jesus

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

**To All PCC Members
LAST FEW PLACES REMAINING!**

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US
TO COMPLETE YOUR
SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

**On Wednesday 30th July
at Cleobury North Village Hall
9.30am – 2.30pm**

In line with the Church of England directive all PCC Members must undertake the necessary Safeguarding Training which needs to be updated every 3 years. There will be lots of information and guidance to help everybody fulfil their training in a familiar and very friendly environment.

Please contact Emma at the Benefice Office (01746 599217) to book your place or ask any questions that you may have. There is no charge for this course and refreshments will be provided.

**Thank you.
We look forward to hearing from you.**



Sunday 29th June

**Car Treasure Hunt!
Starting from Middle House Farm,
Aston Botterell
Bookings start at 1.00pm
At 10/15 minute intervals
£10 entry pp to include light refreshments.
There will be a raffle.**

Do you enjoy a bit of detective work?!
Well what better way to spend an afternoon than a drive around our beautiful Benefice whilst solving and collecting clues!
Please phone Anne on 07966 459806 for details and to book your place!
All proceeds to St. Michael & All Angels,
Aston Botterell



Tickets are now on sale for the Annual Pimm's & Puds on Saturday 5th July at The Pavilion, Ditton Priors. 5.00 – 8.00pm.

Tickets are £12.50 and include
Drinks, Puds,
Cheese & Crackers
and music by the 'Black-eyed Susans.'
Please contact Marjorie on 01746 712423
to secure your place!
All proceeds to
St. John the Baptist, Ditton Priors



**Saturday 12th July 2025
At the Memorial
on the Brown Clee at 2.00pm**

We will be holding a special Service to remember all those who lost their lives on the Brown Clee Hill and surrounding area.

Transport to the Memorial Site will be provided and nearer the time a central meeting point will be confirmed. The last journey to the top of the hill will leave from here at 1.30pm. Light refreshments will follow at Cleobury North Village Hall, where you will have the opportunity to meet with those who were involved in the installation of the Memorial plaque. If you feel unable to join us at The Memorial, you are most welcome to join us at Hall following the Service which we envisage will be at approximately 3.00pm.

If you would like to be part of this very important day, or have any information regarding the Airmen please let Revd Joe or Emma know on any of the ways listed on the front page. Thank you.



**Sunday 20th July 2025
Group Holy Communion
At St. Michael & All Angels Church, Aston Botterell, 10.00am**

We are so happy be joined by Bishop Richard
at the beautiful church of Aston Botterell.
Please do come along to this very special Service.

Light Refreshments will be served.

Everyone welcome!