

Aston Botterell,
Burwarton,
Chetton,
Cleobury North,



Ditton Priors,
Loughton,
Neenton,
Wheathill.

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..... Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; As I am gentle and humble in heart....



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

*We especially pray for
Irene Mills-Keeling, Barbara Weir
and their family and friends*

Sunday 5th July

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe – Hymns 532, 106, 427, 368

11.30am – Holy Communion – Aston Botterell

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Sunday 12th July – The Battle of The Boyne

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe

11.30am – Morning Worship - Chetton

Revd Joe

Sunday 19th July

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Green)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Val

11.30am – Holy Communion – Neenton

Revd Val

Activities & News

throughout the Benefice

more info in Wheatland News
or online at

www.browncleebenefice.org.uk
www.achurchnearyou.com/Brown-Clee-Benefice

Saturday 4th July 10.30am – 12.30pm

First Coffee Morning of the Month, Bric
Brac & Book Stall at St. John the Baptist,
Ditton Priors

Saturday 4th July 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Ditton Priors Care Centre Summer Fete
Live entertainment, raffle, lots of stalls, BBQ,
Cream Teas & Games. Please come along!

Saturday 4th July 5.00pm – Pimms & Puds

At The Pavilion – tickets £15 from Marjorie
Jones. They will sell quickly!

Thursday 9th July – 10.30am

Prayers & Reflection at The Pavilion, Ditton
Priors. Please do join us.
Everyone is welcome!

Friday 10th July – 7.30pm

A Summer Event at Ditton Priors Village Hall.
Raising funds for Alzheimer's Research and
Brown Clee School. Brown Clee Community
Choir and Brown Clee School Choir. Tickets
£10 per adult (under 16's free) inc light
refreshments. Tickets available from
Ditton Priors Post Office
and Ruth (01746 712029 evenings)

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Collect for the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings for Sunday 5th July **The Fifth Sunday after Trinity** **(Green)**

Psalm 45. 10 – end or
Canticle: Song of Solomon 2. 8 – 13 145. 8 - 15

Zechariah 9. 9 - 12

The Coming Ruler of God's People

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle-bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of

hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Romans 7. 15 – 25a

The Inner Conflict

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that

I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Matthew 11. 16 – 19, 25 - end

Jesus Praises John the Baptist

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, “We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.” For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

Jesus Thanks His Father

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

So much is coming up in the Benefice diary! Please let us know if you have an event in your Parish – we love to hear what's going on!

[A look at what's happening in July & a peek into August!](#)

Please see the front page for information up to 10th July and then.....

[Saturday 18th July](#)

**At The Pavilion, Ditton Priors
– 10am – 12 noon**

Safeguarding Training for PCC Members.

[Saturday 18th July 11.00am](#)

St. John the Baptist Sponsored Walk from the church. Light lunch at approx. 12 noon

[Saturday 18th July 3.00pm](#)

Daddy's Hat Seven Men in a Bar at Aston Botterell Church. Please come along!

[Sunday 26th July 5.00pm](#)

Songs of Praise & BBQ at Wheathill. Last year was lovely!

[Friday 31st July at 10.30am](#)

Julia's Coffee & Chat at Cleobury North Village Hall. A very popular get-together and delicious cakes!

[Sunday 2nd August](#)

[at approx. 12 noon](#)

**starting at Middle House Farm,
– Aston Botterell Car Treasure Hunt –
not to be missed!**

[Thursday 6th August](#)

Burwarton Show – See you there!

[Wednesday 12th August](#)

[10am – 12pm](#)

Chetton Coffee Morning at Lower Cockshutt Farm, £5.00 entry