Aston Botterell, Burwarton. Chetton. Cleobury North,



Ditton Priors, Loughton, Neenton. Wheathill

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...Jesus said to them 'I am the bread of life'



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

Sunday 12th October - Trinity 17 (Green)

9.30am - Harvest Holy Communion - Ditton Priors

Revd Joe - Hymns 101, 9, 137, 534

11.30am - Harvest Thanksgiving - Chetton Revd Joe - Hymns 101, 9, 137, 534

Followed by lunch at Church House. By kind permission of Charles & Lisa Gill. Please let Lisa or Sheila know if you would like to join.

6.00pm - Harvest Thanksgiving - Wheathill - LMDG

Sunday 19th October - Trinity 18 (Green)

9.30am - Holy Communion - Ditton Priors

Revd Joe

4.00pm - Harvest Thanksgiving - Neenton **Revd Joe**

Followed by light refreshments at The Pheasant 6.00pm - Harvest Thanksgiving - Loughton **LMDG**

Sunday 26th October - Trinity 19 (Green)

9.45am - Group Holy Communion - Chetton

Revd Joe

6.00pm - Harvest Thanksgiving - Cleobury North Revd Joe

Activities & News throughout the Benefice

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

Saturday 11th October

St. John the Baptist Harvest Supper, At Ditton Priors Village Hall, 5.30pm for 6.00pm. Please see further on for details. Tickets selling fast!

Wednesday 15th October

Men's Breakfast at The Old Vicarage, Ditton Priors, 8.30am, by kind permission of Mr & Mrs John Ballard.

Please see overleaf for further details! Please remember that today is also the day for the Benefice Pat Testing. Please have all electrical equipment out on display. Charles will be accompanying the inspector around the churches. Any questions please do ask Emma.

Friday 24th October

Julia's Get together Coffee Morning at Cleobury North Village Hall. 10.30am - 12 noon. Always a very friendly event – everyone

welcome! Please do come along

Saturday 25th October

Chetton's Breakfast at The Down, 9.00am. Please let Sheila know if you would like to book a place!

Saturday 25th October

Aston Botterell's Quiz & Light Refreshments at The Boyne, 7.00pm. See further on in the pew sheet for details!

Benefice Office: Open Monday & Wednesday 9.30am – 1.30pm Email: browncleebenefice@outlook.com

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Collect for the Day

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of the Harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant with in us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



A very big thank you.....

Thank you so much to everyone who made Revd Joe's Installation such a special day to remember. To Archdeacon Fiona and Jeremy Wilding for conducting the Installation. To all who decorated and polished the church, prepared and delivered the wonderful music, readings and refreshment's at the Pavilion!

Readings for Sunday 12th October

Harvest Readings

Psalm 100

Deuteronomy 26. 1 -11

First Fruits and Tithes - When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors: the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Philippians 4.4 - 9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will quard your hearts and vour minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved. whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 6. 25 - 35

The Bread from Heaven

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them. 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Archbishop of Canterbury

On Friday 3rd October it was announced that The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE will become the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury. She will be the first woman to hold the Office, since Saint Augustine arrived in Kent from Rome.

On 28th January 2026, there will be a Confirmation of Election at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, at which Bishop Sarah will legally become the Archbishop of Canterbury. In March, there will be an Installation (sometimes referred to as an 'enthronement') at Canterbury Cathedral.

Almighty and everlasting God, the only worker of great marvels, send down upon your servant Sarah, called to be Archbishop of Canterbury, and all who are committed to her care, the spirit of your saving grace, a and that they may truly please you, pour upon them the continual dew of your blessing.

Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our advocate and mediator, Jesus Christ. Amen.



St. John the Baptist, Ditton Priors
HARVEST SUPPER
Saturday 11th October 2025
At Ditton Priors Village Hall
5.30pm for 6.00pm
Tickets £15 each from Marjorie Jones.
Please bring your own drinks & glasses



BROWN CLEE YOUNG FARMERS CHARITY LOG LUG!

This weekend Brown Clee YFC will be preparing for their Annual Charity Log Lug.

This is the ideal opportunity to stock up for the winter and have them delivered to your door, whilst raising funds for Brown Clee YFC's chosen Charities.

£5 per wheelbarrow – larger orders can be taken!

Orders need to please be received by this Sunday 12th October for delivery on Sunday 19th.

Contact Brown Clee Young Farmers browncleeyfc@hotmail.com or 07944 868439



MEN'S BREAKFAST
At The Old Vicarage, Ditton Priors
By kind permission of
Mr & Mrs John Ballard
Wednesday 15th October at 8.30am

Please come along and join with others for prayers, fellowship and a very delicious breakfast!

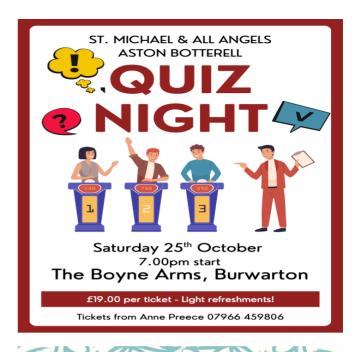
If you would like to register your interest, or ask any questions please contact Emma by any of the usual ways overleaf to book your space.



Saturday 25th October 9.00am Chetton Breakfast at The Down.

Please do book your place with Sheila if you would like to join.

A lovely start to the weekend!





Sunday 2nd November 2025

At St. John the Baptist Church, Ditton Priors 4.00pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for this very special Service to remember all those who we love but see no longer. There will be an opportunity to leave a message on our Memorial Tree and light a candle. If you would rather remain quietly in your pew, then the candle can be lit for you.

Light refreshments will be served at the end of the Service if you feel able to stay.

If you know of anyone who would like to be contacted about this and you have their permission to forward their contact details to us, please do by any of the usual ways browncleebenefice@outlook.com or 01746 599217





Friday 7th November, 7.30pm
Drinks & Canapés at the Hills Farm, the
Down. Please come along & enjoy a
lovely social evening courtesy of David
& Anne Mottershead. £12.50 per person.
Contact Sheila, Anne or Lisa for
tickets.