

Aston Botterell,
Burwarton,
Chetton,
Cleobury North,



Ditton Priors,
Loughton,
Neenton,
Wheathill.

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...All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them...



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

Thursday 14th May

Ascension Day (Gold or White)

6.00pm – Evening Prayer – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe

Sunday 17th May

The Sunday after Ascension Day (White)

9.30am – Holy Communion – Ditton Priors

Revd Joe – Hymns 242, 226, 432, 321

11.30am – Morning Worship - Neenton

Revd Joe – Hymns to be chosen

Sunday 24th May

Whit Sunday – Pentecost (Red)

9.30am – Morning Worship – Ditton Priors

Revd Val

11.30am – Holy Communion – Cleobury North

Revd Val

Sunday 31st May

Trinity Sunday (Gold or White)

10.00am – Group Holy Communion – Chetton

Revd Joe

3.00pm – Pet Service – Wheathill

Revd Joe

Activities & News

throughout the Benefice

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or online at

www.browncleebenefice.org.uk
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Thursday 14th & 28th May 10.30am

Prayer & Reflection at The Pavilion,
Ditton Priors with Revd Joe

Saturday 16th May 1.00pm – 4.00pm

St. John the Baptist, Ditton Priors
Church Fete – please see pew sheet

Saturday 23rd May – 10.30am

Pam's Plants at St. John the Baptist,
Ditton Priors – An opportunity to buy a
wonderful selection of plants and have
coffee & cake too!

Friday 29th May – 10.30am – 12 noon

Julia's Get together Coffee Morning at
Cleobury North Village hall

Saturday 30th May 9.00am

Aston Botterell Breakfast at The Boyne.
Please let Anne Preece know if you
would like to join – 07966 459806

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Collect for the Day

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Readings for Sunday 17th of May

The Sunday after Ascension Day (White)

**Psalm 68. 1 – 10, 32 – end
(or 68. 1 – 10)**

(Ezekiel 36. 24 – 28)

Acts 1. 6 - 14

The Ascension of Jesus

So when they had come together, they asked him, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’

Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

1 Peter 4. 12 – 14; 5. 6 - 11

Suffering as a Christian

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so

that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Tending the Flock of God

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

