

**Please pray for.....**

- Revd Chris Beaumont and Blandford Forum Parish Church as Chris becomes Rector and their mission hub is launched today
- William and his family as he is baptised today in Tarrant Keynston
- Grace Dibden and all who have recently died. Pray for God to comfort their family and friends. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**And for those who are unwell and have asked for prayer:**

Ruby, John and Jo, Jane, Pauline



*You can send a prayer need anytime to our dedicated email prayer network and our members will pray for you. You can also become a member of the prayer link. Simply email with your prayer need and/or your request to Tony Parker.*

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**Readings for January 18th**

Isaiah 49: 1 - 7      1 Corinthians 1: 1 - 9      John 1: 29 - 42

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A Church Near You - [www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/34-308BP/](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/34-308BP/)

**The Two Rivers Benefice News Sheet.**

for the parishes of *Spetisbury, Charlton Marshall, Blandford St Mary, Langton Long, Tarrant Rushton with Tarrant Rawston and Tarrant Keynston with Tarrant Crawford.*



**'Seeking God, serving others, stronger together'.**

**Sunday January 11th**

9:30 - Communion at St Mary's Church, Blandford St Mary  
11:00 - Family Service and Baptism at All Saints Church, Tarrant Keynston  
11:00 - Morning Service at All Saints Church, Langton Long

**Readings**

Isaiah 42: 1 - 9      Acts 10: 34 - 43      Matthew 3: 13 - end

**Collect for January 11th - Baptism of our Lord**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.

**Post Communion prayer**

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Looking Ahead....

### Sunday January 18th

- 9:30 - Communion at St John the Baptist Church, Spetisbury
- 9:30 - All Age Worship at St Mary the Virgin Church, Charlton Marshall
- 11:00 - Morning worship at All Saints Church, Langton Long
- 11:00 - Communion at All Saints Church, Tarrant Rushton

### Sunday January 25th

- 9:30 - Communion at St Mary the Virgin Church, Charlton Marshall
- 9:30 - Morning Worship at St John the Baptist Church, Spetisbury
- 11:00 - Communion at All Saints Church, Langton Long
- 11:00 - BCP Communion at St Mary's Church, Blandford St Mary

### Morning Prayer - Every Thursday by Zoom, 9:00am.

Use link below or join meeting with ID & Passcode

<https://tinyurl.com/TwoRiversBen>

The code for all Zoom services is: 705 869 3298, passcode:zB3Med

**Home Group** starts back on Weds 14th January (and then fortnightly)

Everyone Welcome

For more information please contact Robin Turnbull  
at robin.turnbull@gmail.com

### Opportunities for Coffee, cake and community chat...

#### St John the Baptist Church, Spetisbury

1st and 3rd Mondays of each month 10:00 -11:30am

**St. Mary's Church Blandford St Mary** Monthly coffee and cake event -  
next on January 22nd, 10:00 - 11:30am

**\*CAFETERNOONS\*** From February - First Thursday in the month at  
St. Mary's Church, Blandford St Mary , DT119ND  
2.00 - 4.00pm. £3.00 including refreshments

**'Good Companions'** (Bereavement support group) next on Wednesday  
28th January at 12.30pm at All Saints church, Langton Long

#### Coffee Stop at Charlton Marshall Parish Centre

10:30 - 12:30 Tues - Friday every week.



## What's Happening.....

*A big Thank You to everyone for all the support and hard work in making the celebration of Christmas such a special time in the village churches - for music and choirs, readers, decorators, those who served refreshment, those on welcome, and much more besides.*

*The Christmas Day offering at Langton Long raised £250 for Sight Savers. The Carol Service in Tarrant Rushton raised £340 which will be donated to Julia's House. Over £1700 was raised at the Spetisbury fireworks which will help fund the work on the Tower. All very much appreciated!*

### Beat the Winter Blues Fun Dog Show On Saturday January 31st 2026 in Spetisbury Village Hall

Do please join us for our Beat the Winter Blues Fun Dog Show.

Registration will take place from 12 noon and Judging will begin at 1 pm.

Refreshments will be on sale from 11.30 am.

There will be prizes for all Child Handlers  
and Rosettes for the first three places in each class.

If you would like more information please contact  
Molly Edwards on 01258 488815.



We look forward to welcoming you and your dog(s) on Jan 31st.



The next lunch meeting of  
**'Good Companions' (Bereavement Support Group)**  
**will be Wednesday 28th January at 12.30pm**  
**at All Saints Church, Langton Long.**

We look forward to seeing you again, and as always,  
any newcomers would be so welcome to join this lovely,  
friendly group and enjoy a tasty lunch together.

For further information, please contact Fiona: [fionarowland@live.co.uk](mailto:fionarowland@live.co.uk)

*Advance notice: Please note that in February and March, Good Companions will meet on the last TUESDAY in the month, i.e Tuesday 24th February and Tuesday 24th March, to enable people to attend the Wednesday Lent Lunches if they wish.*