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## Prayers for People

**We continue to pray for:** Robert Jefferys, Monica Eyre, Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Rev'd Tony Cumberlidge, Freda Scate, Rose Sasin, Lydia Ashplant, Rev'd Bill Stewart, Malcolm Rolfe, Beth Furneaux and Wendy Holmes.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Greenham

David McLeod, Brian Jones and John Bramhall  
St. Mary Greenham

## Notices & Diary Dates

The funeral of Patrick Arnsby-Wilson took place on Friday 24 April at West Berkshire Crematorium.

### Confirmation

This year's Confirmation will be at St Nicolas Newbury at 10.00am on 3rd May. Please pray for Thomas Coleman who will be baptised and confirmed at this service.

### East Garston APCM

Congratulations to Mr Bob Briant elected as Church Warden at All Saints East Garston. The meeting thanked Mrs Sally Wright who will step down at the Archdeacon's Visitation on 1 June after more than nine years service for her magnificent contribution. Rachel Brown, Vikki Brooks, Annette Furneaux, Ann Philips, Karen Sperrey and Dawn Tonge were elected as members of the PCC and Bob Briant was elected as Deanery Synod representative.

**Please send items for inclusion in the Lambourn Valley Welcome by 4.00pm on Wednesday at the latest to both: (Please start Subject Line with VW)**  
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## Lambourn Valley Welcome

St James the Greater Eastbury  
All Saints East Garston  
St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Welcome to everyone!**

**We are glad to have you join us  
as we worship God in this church.**

## The Week Ahead

### Today

9.00am Family Communion East Garston  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn  
12.00 Interment of Ashes Mrs Winifred Paull  
7.30pm APCM Lambourn

### Wednesday:

11.15am Funeral Mrs Barbara Laing Thatcham

### Thursday:

2.30pm Memorial Service Mr Ian Povey Lambourn

### Friday:

10.00am Reception Class Service

**Next Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2015**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury  
10.00am Confirmation St Nic's Newbury  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Readings

Acts 8:26 - 40; 1 John 4:7 - 21;  
John 15:1 - 8.

## Notices & Diary Dates

**Monday 27th April at 7.30pm**

**Lambourn Annual Parochial Church Meeting** is for all church members of St Michael's on the Electoral Roll and is a most important meeting to receive reports from the outgoing PCC on its activities and finances in 2014, and to elect a new PCC to look after the day to day management of our church's affairs in the year ahead. Your attendance is important so please come if you can.

**The meeting will be held in Lambourn church.**

**St Michael & All Angels Lambourn**

Please stay for Tea and Coffee served in The Lady Chapel available after the service.

# The Prayers and Readings for Today



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Short Collect

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one  
flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## Acts 4:5 -12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is  
"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."  
There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

## 1 John 3:16 - 24

We know love by this, he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

## John 10:11 -18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

## Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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