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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, Rose Sasin, Rev'd Bill Stewart, Beth Furneaux, Sylvia Biswell, Malcolm Rolfe and Pearl Smailes.

Deanery Prayer Cycle

Retired Clergy

Christine Allsopp, George Carey, Dee Dawes, Trevor Dorey, Clive Jones, Trevor Maines, Piers Nash-Williams, Charles Pakenham, Martin Partridge, Nigel Sands, Bill Stewart, Pat Willis, David Winter

Notices & Diary Dates

Lambourn Church Works

The toilets are fully functional and have been used at recent weddings and funerals. Painting and decorating continues and the servery units will be being installed.

Eastbury St James

Following the underpinning of the chimney we are now confident that this project is back on schedule.

Lydia Morey

Lydia starts training for the ordained ministry at Ridley Hall Cambridge in September. We will say farewell to her on 13th September at St Michaels and All Saints. If you would like to contribute to a token gift please give your contribution to Martin or a churchwarden.

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 23rd August 2015

Trinity Twelve

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
3.00pm Carnival Family Service Lambourn

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn
tbc Funeral & Cremation Mrs Rebecca Spreadbury Thatcham

Saturday:

11.00am WW11 Exhibition Lambourn

Next Sunday 30th August 2015

Trinity Thirteen

10.30am Group Communion Service @ Eastbury
2.00pm WW11 Exhibition Lambourn
5.00pm Carnival Procession Lambourn Sports Club

Readings

Song of Solomon 2:8 - 13; James 1:17 - 27;
Mark 7:1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23.

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Bank Holiday Monday 31st August Cream Teas in Memorial Hall 3-5pm. Please support this popular event with your family and friends. If you can volunteer some help on the day or by baking a cake for us to sell it would be appreciated. Contact Chris Couch/Sandra Fletcher

The church is open to all over the Bank Holiday weekend with the theme WW11

Please publicise / support this our main fundraising event as much as you can.

Exhibition Opening Hours

Sat 29th Aug 11am- 5pm
Sun 30th Aug 2pm - 7pm
Mon 31st Aug 11am - 5pm
Plus, Art and Craft Display, Carnival Photo Exhibition
Entries Refreshments available in the Memorial Hall

Churches Together Carnival Float

Contact :- Tessa Rushforth at tessa.sceptre@gmail.com

The Prayers and Readings for Today



The Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and
to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour
down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us
those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving
us those good things which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation of 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.

Short Collect

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Kings 8: 22 - 30, 41 - 43

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, 'O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me." Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David.

'But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there", that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays towards this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

'Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name—for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays towards this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling-place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.

Ephesians 6:10 - 20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

John 6:56 - 69

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.