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## Prayers for People

**We continue to pray for:** Robert Jefferys, Monica Eyre, Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Rose Sasin, Rev'd Bill Stewart, Beth Furneaux, Sylvia Biswell, Chris Couch, Pearl Smailes, Rosemary McIlvenna and Jonathan & Helene Haw.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Lambourn Valley

Martin Cawte  
St. Michael and All Angels Lambourn  
St. James the Great Eastbury, All Saints East Garston

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Lambourn Church works

The toilets are now complete and decorated. The audio and heating systems have been recommissioned. The servery will be completed in a few weeks time. Bishop Andrew has been invited to open the new school building and bless our developments for 11th February 2016.

### Eastbury Church works

The arch into the church is constructed and the external works are now watertight. The new development will be formally opened on 29th November 2015.

### The Mission to Seafarers Christmas catalogue

If you would like to look, it will be next to the refreshments table. Tessa.

**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

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**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2015****Trinity Eighteen****Welcome to everyone!****We are glad to have you join us  
as we worship God in this church.**

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## The Week Ahead

### Today:

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
3.00pm Harvest Evensong Woodlands St Mary  
4.00pm Harvest Festival Eastbury

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn  
7.30pm Eastbury PCC

### Thursday:

2.15pm Funeral Mrs June Rabbitts at Thatcham

### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

### Saturday:

10.00am Churchyard maintenance East Garston

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## Next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Harvest Festival

10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
12.00 Harvest Festival East Garston

### Readings

Joel 2:21 - 27; 1 Timothy 6:6 - 10;  
Matthew 6:25 - 33

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## Notices & Diary Dates

### Harvest Festival

12th October 1.45pm Lambourn School

### Harvest Gifts

Next week is our Harvest Festival service and it would be helpful if you wish to donate any food items at the service that it is an item we can then pass on to the Foodbank. Naturally those gardeners amongst us who wish to donate produce grown in our own plot are most welcome to do so. Fresh produce will be auctioned following the service at which it is offered

### Monday morning prayer fellowship

This Monday we begin a new triennium of intercessory prayers for our parishes and the world. It would be really good to share this important ministry more widely, is God calling you to this ministry of intercessory prayer? If so just come along to St Michael's one Monday morning for 9.30am or have word with Martin.

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# The Prayers and Readings for Today



## The Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

## Short Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Job 1:1, 2:1 - 10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, 'Where have you come from?' Satan answered the Lord, 'From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason.' Then Satan answered the Lord, 'Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face.' The Lord said to Satan, 'Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life.' So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, 'Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die.' But he said to her, 'You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?' In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

## Hebrews 1:1 - 4, 2:5 - 12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet.'

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see

everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

## Mark 10:2 - 16

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

## Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

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