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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 and Jonathan & Helene Haw.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Greenham

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

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Memorial Service 1st November

Our annual Memorial Service at St Michael's Lambourn will also be on 1st November at 3.00pm. Written invitations will be sent to next of kin of those whose loved one had their funeral in 2015 but anyone is welcome to remember loved ones from previous years by lighting a candle as part of this service. A list will be available at St Michael's for names to be added from next week.

### Advent meetings

"Issues in today's world - issues for today's church" offers two opportunities for anyone from the Lambourn Valley churches to discuss informally the issues YOU choose on Tuesday 24 November and 1 December in Lambourn Church at 7.30pm. Please take a flyer and reply to Christine with your ideas in writing as soon as possible.

**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 25<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

**Last Sunday after Trinity**

**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

### Thursday:

10.30am Funeral Mr Kenneth Pugh at Thatcham  
12.00 Memorial Service Mr Kenneth Pugh Lambourn

## Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 All Saints Day

10.30am Patronal Festival East Garston  
3.00pm Memorial Service Lambourn

### Readings

Isaiah 25:6 - 9; Revelation 21:1 - 6a;  
John 11:32 - 44.

## Notices & Diary Dates

### All Saints Sunday 1st November 2015 East Garston

All Saints Patronal Festival 1st November 2015  
We are pleased to welcome the Very Rev'd Robert Grimley, the former Dean of Bristol and now Canon of Christchurch, as our preacher at All Saints Patronal Festival next Sunday. There will be an opportunity to light candles in memory of loved ones at this service. After the service we will be going to lunch at the Queens Arms with our preacher and his wife. Please let Bob Briant (rebriant@waitrose.com or 648646) know by next Wednesday 28th October if you would like to join the lunch party – you settle your own bill after the lunch. To help the Queens Arms to prepare, please also let Bob know your choices from the menu which is available in church or from Bob.

### Shoebox Service

This year's Shoebox Service will be on Sunday 29th November at 3pm at Lambourn Methodist Church. If you would like to send a shoebox, there are flatpack boxes and leaflets in the coffee area at Lambourn Church or tel. Jill or Martin(73920). All shoeboxes to be returned by Nov.18th please (to Lambourn church or Lambourn vicarage). The boxes bring great joy to children who otherwise would have no Christmas gifts.

# The Prayers and Readings for Today



## The Collect for Today

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
help us so to hear them,  
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them  
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,  
we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Short Collect

Merciful God,  
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,  
that trusting in your word  
and obeying your will  
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Job 42:1 - 6, 10 - 17

Then Job answered the Lord:  
'I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.  
"Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?"  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.  
"Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me."  
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.'

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all

the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

## Hebrews 7:23 - 28

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

## Mark 10:46b – 52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

## Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.