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## **Prayers for People**

We continue to pray for: Robert Jefferys, Monica Eyre, Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Rose Sasin, Beth Furneaux, Sylvia Biswell, Jonathan & Helene Haw, Susan Holmes, June East and Rose Stewart-Smythe.

#### **Deanery Prayer Cycle**

## Other clergy and roles

Caroline Robinson, Archdeacon of Berkshire Olivia Graham, West Berkshire Hospital Chris Stott, Hermitage Base Meg Kirby.

## **Notices & Diary Dates**

#### **Lambourn Valley Benefice Website**

We have created a web site for the Benefice and it has sections for each of the churches, as well as information. You can find the web site at the following url:

http://lambourn-valley-benefice.website. We would like to receive contributions which we shall publish on the site. We will accept material in any electronic format by email. If you would like to contribute, or comment on anything on the website, send an email to: webmaster@lambourn-valley-benefice.website

If anyone would like to contribute to the work of editing, developing, or maintaining the website, then send an email.

## 4th December 5-8pm Open Church- Fair on Square

We aim to have a gift stall, Christmas Hamper Raffle, refreshments, Lambourn Chimers at 6.15 and Burbage Signing Choir at 6.45.

We need donations for the gift stall or a food item towards the Christmas Hamper Raffle, please contact Sandra Fletcher if you can help, and of course your support on the evening.

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 15<sup>th</sup> November 2015 2nd Sunday before Advent Welcome to everyone! We are glad to have you join us as we worship God in this church.

#### The Week Ahead

#### Today:

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Lambourn 9.30am Family Communion Eastbury

11.00am Famiy Service Lambourn

6.30pm Evensong Lambourn

#### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn 7.30pm PCC Lambourn

#### Wednesday:

10.30am Memorial Service Mrs Arnavaz Aston Lambourn

11.30am Holy Communion Harris Close

#### Thursday:

7.30pm Filling Station Hampstead Norreys 7.30pm Safeguarding Training Lambourn

#### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

## Next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 Christ the King

9.00am Family Communion East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

#### Readings

Daniel 7:9 - 10,13 - 14; Revelation 1:4b - 8 John 18: 33b - 37

## **Notices & Diary Dates**

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 3.00 pm Shoebox Service Lambourn Methodist Church, Contact Jill or Martin 73920

Sunday 29th November 4.30 pm Celebration

Service to open Church improvements in **Eastbury** Archbishop George Carey formerly of Canterbury will lead a service. All are welcome please contact Paul Reynolds 71001 if you are able to help. **5.00pm** there will be Christmas stalls, with drinks and canapés **6.00pm** Bella Voce concert. Tickets are £10 in advance form Fiona 71083 or Caroline 71663.

## Thursday 3rd December 8.00pm

J. John is coming to Newbury on Thursday for a special Christmas Evangelistic Carol Service at St Nicholas Church.

Saturday 12th December 10.00am to 12.30pm Advent quiet morning Lambourn

## The Prayers and Readings for Today

## The Collect for Today

Heavenly Father, who's blessed son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:

Grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure;

That when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

## **Daniel 12:1 - 3**

'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

## Hebrews 10:11 - 35

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

'This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds',

he also adds.

'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.' Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

For if we wilfully persist in sin after having received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful prospect of judgement, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. Anyone who has violated the law of Moses dies without mercy 'on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' How much worse punishment do you think will be deserved by those who have spurned the Son of God, profaned the blood of the covenant by which they were sanctified, and outraged the Spirit of grace? For we know the one who said, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay.' And again, 'The Lord will judge his people.' It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

But recall those earlier days when, after you had been enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to abuse and persecution, and sometimes being partners with those so treated. For you had compassion for those who were in prison, and you cheerfully accepted the plundering of your possessions, knowing that you yourselves possessed something better and more lasting. Do not, therefore, abandon that confidence of yours; it brings a great reward.

## Mark 13:1 - 8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you gave substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour

#### **Lambourn C of E Primary School**

Congratulations to all at Lambourn Primary School which has been rated as Good in its recent SIAMS Inspection. It reads:

The distinctiveness and effectiveness of Lambourn C of E Primary School as a Church of England school are good \* The head teacher and governing body provide strong Christian leadership, with strategic planning and decision making driven by Christian ethics.

- \* The Christian character of the school and strong links with the local church and clergy support effective outreach to the local community and families, including those who are vulnerable and those who are harder-to-reach.
- \* The prominence given to the school's inclusive and Christian ethos promotes good progress for all, including those pupils who are vulnerable or who have special educational needs.

A copy of the full report is pinned to St Michael's church notice board in the porch