

## Lambourn Valley Contacts

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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, June East and Rose Stewart-Smythe.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### West Downland Benefice

John Townend, Mary Harwood  
St. Andrew Chaddleworth, All Saints Brightwalton  
St. James Leckhampstead, St. Mary Fawley, St Swithin  
Wickham, St. Gregory Welford, St. Mary Great Shefford,  
St. Stephen Shefford Woodlands

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Carol singing 2015

Saturday 12th December Lambourn  
Tuesday 14th December Eastbury  
Wednesday 16th December Lambourn  
Thursday 17th December Lambourn  
Monday 21st December East Garston

### Lambourn

We meet at the lichgate at 7 o'clock and we need collectors as well as singers as we collect for the Children's Society and our Church.

**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 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Advent 2

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

## The Week Ahead

### Today:

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
3.00pm Christingle Lambourn

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

### Tuesday:

12.00 Interment Mr Dick Townsend Lambourn

### Thursday:

2.00pm Funeral Mr Pete Williams Lambourn

### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

### Saturday

10.00am Quiet Morning Lambourn  
7.00pm Carol Singing Lambourn

## Next Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Advent 3

9.00am Family Communion East Garston  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
4.00pm Christingle Eastbury  
6.00pm Carol Service East Garston

### Readings

Zephaniah 3:14 - 20; Philippians 4:4 - 7;  
Luke 3:7 - 18.

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Lambourn School Carol Service

has been rescheduled for Wednesday  
16th December at 9.00am in St Michael &  
All Angels

# The Prayers and Readings for Today



## Philippians 1:3 – 11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

## The Collect for Today

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

## Short Collect

Almighty God,  
purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.

## Malachi 3:1 – 4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

## Luke 3:1 - 6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." '

## Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven,  
who sent your Son to redeem the world  
and will send him again to be our judge:  
give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming  
that, when he comes again,  
we may be ready to greet him  
with joyful love and firm faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.