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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, Jonathan & Helene Haw, June East, Rose Stewart-Smythe and Jan Spanswick.

Deanery Prayer Cycle

Hermitage

Rita Ball, Luci Heyn, Meg Kirby, Simon Thorn
LLM Wendy Willoughby-Paul, Cathy Hawkins, Margaret Fisher
Holy Trinity Hermitage, St. Mark Cold Ash
St. Mary Hampstead Norreys, Ss. Peter and Paul Yattendon,
St. Frideswide Frilsham, St. Mary and St. Nicholas Compton,
St. Mary East Ilsley

Notices & Diary Dates

Carol singing 2015

Tuesday 15th December Eastbury
Wednesday 16th December Lambourn
Thursday 17th December Lambourn
Monday 21st December East Garston

Lambourn

We meet at the Lychgate at 7.00pm and we need collectors as well as singers as we collect for the Children's Society and our Church.

Congratulations and thanks to all who worked so hard to make Lambourn church such a welcoming place as part of the Fair on the Square last Friday. It was good to welcome so many people into the church building and over £600 was raised for church funds.

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 13th December 2015 Advent 3

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
4.00pm Christingle Eastbury
6.00pm Carol Service East Garston

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

Tuesday:

2.00pm Funeral Mrs Mary Bennett Lambourn
7.00pm Carol Singing Eastbury

Wednesday:

9.30am School Carol Service Lambourn
7.00pm Carol Singing Lambourn

Thursday:

7.00pm Carol Singing Lambourn

Saturday:

3.00pm Childrens Nativity East Garston

Next Sunday 20th December 2015 Advent 4

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Lambourn
9.30am Family Communion + Baptism Eastbury
Miss Cecily Theodora Elizabeth Lewis
11.00am Family Service/Nativity Lambourn
6.30pm Lessons & Carol Service Lambourn

Readings

Micah 5:2 - 5a; Hebrews 10:5 - 10;
Luke 1:39 - 55

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Lambourn School Carol Service

has been rescheduled for Wednesday
16th December at 9.30am in St Michael &
All Angels

The Prayers and Readings for Today



Philippians 4:4 - 7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Luke 3:7 - 18

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.'

And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

The Collect for Today

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of
the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Short Collect

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your
Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Zephaniah 3:14 – 20

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!
The Lord has taken away the judgements against you,
he has turned away your enemies.
The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Do not fear, O Zion;
do not let your hands grow weak.
The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a warrior who gives victory;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.
I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.
I will deal with all your oppressors
at that time.
And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.
At that time I will bring you home,
at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes
before your eyes, says the Lord.