

## 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, Beth Furneaux, Jonathan & Helene Haw, June East and Rene Rookes.

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Retired Clergy

Christine Allsopp, George Carey, Dee Dawes, Trevor Dorey, Graham Foulis-Brown, Clive Jones, Trevor Maines, Piers Nash-Williams, Charles Packenham, Martin Partridge, Nigel Sands, Bill Stewart, Pat Willis, David Winter

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Confirmation 2016

There are two opportunities for Confirmation this year. On Holy Saturday 26th March at 7.30pm at Reading Minster or on 24th May at a parish in the Deanery yet to be arranged. If you know of someone who would like to be Confirmed in 2016 please get in touch with Martin on 73920 or martin\_cawte@hotmail.com.

**Lambourn's post-service refreshments.** Please look at the notice which tells you where your kind donations went to last year, it will be up-dated. Also, thank you to all helpers, and please may we have a few more! There is a rota to put your name on. **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

**Next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2016**

**The Second Sunday of Lent**

**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 Family Service and Baptism  
Lucas Steven Jason Richardson

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn  
7.30pm Lent Group Calyptus Cottage Lambourn

### Tuesday:

7.30pm Lent Group Lambsdown East Garston

### Wednesday:

7.30pm Lent Goup Meridian House Lambourn

### Thursday:

12.00 Chapter St Mary Thatcham

### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

### Saturday:

9.00am Lent Group St James Eastbury

**Next Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2016  
Lent 3**

9.00am Family Communion East Garston  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Readings

Isaiah 55:1 - 9; 1 Corinthians 10:1 - 11;  
Luke 13:1 - 9.

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### 6th March Mothering Sunday:-

This year falls on the first Sunday in March. There will be family services at Eastbury at 10.30am; at East Garston at 12.00 noon and at Lambourn at 3.00pm. There will be a Holy Communion Service (BCP) at Lambourn at 8.00am on this morning.

### 20th March Palm Sunday

Services of the word will be held at Lambourn and East Garston on this morning at 9.30am and at 10.00am the two congregations will set off for Eatsbury, where we will meet to celebrate the Eucharist from 10.45am. Return transport will be offered to any who walk to Eastbury. There is no 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Service this morning.

# The Prayers and Readings for Today



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,  
that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of  
Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things that are contrary to  
their profession,  
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Short Collect

Almighty God,  
by the prayer and discipline of Lent  
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,  
and by following in his Way  
come to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Genesis 15:1 - 12, 17 - 18

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,

## Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

## Luke 13:31 – 35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

## Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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### Coca Cola and Fizzy Drink Cans

Re. request for washed and squashed coca cola cans and other fizzy drink cans. (Though not Pepsi Cola cans as they are a different metal.) My friend sells the cans and the money raised is sent to a charity called Mary's Meals, to provide school lunches for children in Malawi. Without these lunches the children would go hungry, and as a consequence they would drop out of school. Every child in the World should be able to attend school. Please, if you, or someone you know, consumes any of these drinks do let me have the cans; being re-cycled to provide meals for starving children is far more productive than giving them to W.B.C!  
Either speak to me directly or ring me, 71551. Thank you.  
Tessa Rushforth

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