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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, Renee Rookes and George Fairchild.

## **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**

#### **Confirmation 2016**

Congratulations to Jessica Coates and Mollie Prictoe-Coates who are preparing for baptism and confirmation at Reading Minster on Saturday 26th March. The Newbury Deanery Confirmation will be on 24th May at a parish yet to be decided. If you know of someone who should be confirmed in 2016 please get in touch with Martin on 73920 or martin\_cawte@hotmail.com

**Susan Holmes** is accompanying **Rebecca Couch** (soprano) in a recital of songs on the theme of Motherhood in Holy Trinity Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup> Church Theale at 3pm, in aid of SANDS. Tickets £5.

Mrs Mary Power's funeral will be at St Michael & All Angels Lambourn at 11.00am on Tuesday 15th March

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) tina\_wise@btinternet.com 01488 670388 martin cawte@hotmail.com 01488 73920

Lambourn Valley Welcome

St James the Greater Eastbury All Saints East Garston St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2016
Mothering Sunday
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
10.30am Family Service Eastbury
12.00 Family Service East Garston
3.00pm Family Service Lambourn

#### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

7.30pm Lent Group Calyptus Cottage Lambourn

#### Tuesday:

7.30pm Lent Group Lambsdown East Garston

#### Wednesday:

7.30pm Lent Group Meridian House Lambourn

#### <u>Friday</u>

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

#### Saturday:

9.00am Lent Group St James Eastbury

## Next Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2016 Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.00am Family Communion East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

## Readings

Isaiah 43:16 - 21; Philippians 3:4b - 14 John 12:1 - 8.

## **Notices & Diary Dates**

#### 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 Eastbury, 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.

#### **Holy Week Communion Services**

7.30pm Monday 21st March Lambourn

7.30pm Tuesday 22nd March Eastbury

7.30pm Wednesday 23rd March East Garston

7.30pm Maundy Thursday 24th March Lambourn Seder style service, please sign list in coffee area to help manage numbers for catering.

# The Prayers and Readings for Today



# The Collect for Today

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## **Short Collect**

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# Exodus 2:1 -10

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.3

## Colossians 3:12 - 17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## John 19:25b - 27

And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Loving God,

as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:

help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

