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Prayers for People

We continue to pray for: Robert Jefferys, Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Helene Haw, June East, Kath Petty and George Fairchild.

Deanery Prayer Cycle

Newbury (South)

Paul Cowan, Debbie Davison, Terence Winrow St. George Wash Common St. John the Evangelist Newbury

Notices & Diary Dates

The Rt Rev'd Steven Croft has been newly appointed Bishop of Oxford. He is currently Bishop of Sheffield. Please pray for him and hid wife Ann as they prepare to move to Oxford in the next few months.

Mr Paul Brown's funeral will be at 11.00am on Wednesday 27th April at St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

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 17th April 2016 4th Sunday of Easter 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
- + Baptism Frederick Jacob Stewart Lambourn

Monday:

- 9.30am Prayers Lambourn
- 7.15pm Annual Parochial Meeting
- 7.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting
 Friends Meeting House East Garston

Tuesday:

7.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting St James Eastbury

Wednesday:

11.30am Holy Communion Harris Close

<u>Friday</u>

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

Next Sunday 24th April 2016 5th Sunday of Easter

9.00am Family Communion East Garston10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn12.30pm Dedication of Sacred Heart new church hall

Readings

Acts 11:1 - 18; Revelation 21:1 - 6; John 13:31 - 35

Notices & Diary Dates

5th May Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion Lambourn

24th May Confirmation

The Newbury Deanery Confirmation

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,

whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life.

raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Short Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

Acts 9:36 - 43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Revelation 7:9 - 17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures,

and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of life.

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

John 10:22 -30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,

you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd.

and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:

keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.