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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

Greenham

David McLeod, Brian Jones and John Bramhall
St. Mary Greenham

Notices & Diary Dates

East Garston

Congratulations to Bob Briant and Dawn Tonge elected as Churchwardens of All Saints East Garston at the APCM on Monday 18th April. Dawn will take up her office at the Episcopal Visitation at St Nic's Newbury on 23rd May. Also to Rachel Brown, Vikki Brooks, Thomas Coleman, Roland Cobald, Annette Furneaux, ASnn Phillips and Karen Sperrey elected as members of the PCC.

Eastbury

Congratulations to Paul Reynolds and Merrita Jones elected as churchwardens of St James Eastbury at the APCM on Tuesday 19th April. Also to Fiona Drake, Tessa Partridge, James Potter and Jenny Powell elected as PCC members. Deborah Phillips continues as Deanery Synod representative and therefore a member of the PCC and Sarah Blundell has been co-opted with a view to becoming a member of the PCC when she has been on the electoral roll for six months.

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 24th April 2016

5th 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:

9.00am Family Communion East Garston
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn
12.30pm Dedication of Sacred Heart Church Hall

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn
7.30pm APCM Lambourn

Tuesday:

1.00pm Funeral Mrs Joan Constance Salmon South
Oxfordshire Crematorium

Wednesday:

11.00am Funeral Mr Paul Brown Lambourn

Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

Saturday:

11.30am Blessing of Rose Miremadi Eastbury

Next Sunday 1st May 2016

6th Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury
10.30am Sung Eucharist and Baptism of Mia and Grace
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Readings

Acts 16:9 - 15; Revelation 21:10, 22 - 22:5;
John 14:23 - 29.

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5th May Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion Lambourn

14th May 2016 Prayer walk - 11.00am Saturday

In response to the request of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York we are organising a prayer walk in Pentecost week starting at Meridian House and walking up Greenways to a point where we can see along the valley to Eastbury and the edges of East Garston. We will pray for the whole valley, from this magnificent vantage point. Do come and join in.

24th May Confirmation

The Newbury Deanery Confirmation at Compton.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate
of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us you
put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Short Collect

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

Acts 11:1 – 18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

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Revelation 21:1 – 6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

John 13:31 – 35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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St Michael & All Angels Coffee morning

Thanks to all who worked hard to make last Saturday's coffee morning such a great success. It raised £475 for church funds.
