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## **Prayers for People**

**We continue to pray for:** Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Sarah Brooks, Helene Haw, June East, David Foster and Brian Wilson.

# **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**

#### Parents and toddlers and the Pram Service

Thank you to all those who helped with the moving of the toys and equipment from the Methodist Church to St Michael's in preparation for the Parent and Toddler group which starts in St Michael's at 10.00am on 12th September. The Pram Service for all pre-school children and their carers starts at 10.00am on Friday 16th September.

## Carnival weekend

Thank you to all who contributed to the great success of the carnival weekend. The exhibition of the Lambourn Railway was extremely well received as was the art exhibition. The weekend raised over £1,000 for church funds and in addition an anonymous donation of £500 was received. Many thanks to all who made and served cakes, teas and coffees, ensured the exhibits were kept safe and moved the furniture. Congratulations to those who worked so hard to turn out such a memorable carnival float which won the appropriate cup.

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 4<sup>th</sup> September 2016 Trinity 15

Welcome to everyone! We are glad to have you join us as we worship God in this church.

## The Week Ahead

#### Today:

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn 12.15pm Holy Baptism Eastbury Mia Isabella McGowan Bailey

#### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

#### Tuesday:

12.30pm Memorial Service East Garston Robert Stephen Jefferys

#### Saturday:

10.00am Ride & Stride All 3 churches
Gift Day St James Eastbury
1.00pm Wedding Lambourn
Kevin John Cull & Maria Ann Cull

# Next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016 Trinity 16

9.00am Family Communion East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn 3.30pm Cello Concert East Garston

#### Readings

Jeremiah 4:11 - 12,22 - 28; 1Timothy 1:12 - 17; Luke 15:1 - 10

## **Notices & Diary Dates**

#### **East Garston**

Major National Touring Exhibition on Quaker Peace and Relief Work- Meeting House from Wednesday 21 September until Sunday 25 September. Just some of the many subjects covered are Quaker humanitarian relief in war zones around the world, antislavery campaigns, the part played in both World Wars – The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to the Quaker movement in 1947 for dedicated work with people of all back grounds during and after WW2. More information available on the Notice Board outside the East Garston Meeting House.

#### Alpha 2016

The Alpha Course is being run in Hungerford starting on Tuesday 27th September. It runs for 10 weeks from 7.00pm to 9.00pm and is being held at Hungerford Vicarage. Alpha is an excellent introduction to the Christian Faith and the Archbishop of Canterbury and Martin highly recommend it. If you or anyone you know might be interested in joining in this year's Alpha Course please speak to Martin (73920).

# **Prayers and Readings**



# The Collect for Today

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel

that, always abiding in you,

they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;

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**

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Jeremiah 18:1 - 11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

# Philemon 1 - 21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother.

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

## Luke 14:25 - 33

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Notices & Diary Dates**

## Thursday 8th September

Stephen Holmes will be giving the lunchtime organ recital at 1.10 pm in St Nicolas Church Newbury. Admission is free and there is a retiring collection.

Mr Christopher Taylor's funeral will be at St Michael & All Angels Lambourn at 3.00pm on Monday 12th September.