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Prayers for People

We continue to pray for: Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Denis Blackwell, Sue Smith, Jan Reynolds and Wendy Burdett.

Deanery Prayer Cycle

Greenham

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

Notices & Diary Dates

Year of Matthew

Towards the end of November we will move in our Sunday services from hearing mainly the Gospel of Luke to hearing primarily the Gospel of Matthew each week.

A house group to study Matthew's Gospel will be held in Upper Lambourn at Paddock View, courtesy of Geoff and Yvonne Poole on Tuesday evenings starting on 29th November. If you would like to join this group please speak to Martin. Sign up sheets will appear in church next month.

Memorial Service for the Departed

This service is on 6th November, 3.00pm at St Michael & All Angels. If you would like the name of a departed loved one read out during the service, please add their name to the list near the visitors' book in church.

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 23rd October 2016**Last Sunday after Trinity****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
12.15pm Baptism Eastbury
Charlotte Sophie Blundell

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn
11.15am Funeral Swindon Crematorium
1.00pm Memorial Service Lambourn
Terence Glynn Foster

**Next Sunday 30th October 2016
All Saints Sunday**

10.30am Patronal Festival East Garston

Readings

Isaiah 56:3 - 8; Hebrews 12:18 - 24;
Matthew 5:1 - 12.

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Christmas Drawing Competition

Local children are invited to enter the Village Views drawing competition. We are looking for drawings to use inside or maybe on the cover of the December issue of the magazine. Original drawings should be in black and white on A4 or A5 'portrait' shape. Please print name and address on back. Entries by 31st October to 5 Essex Place, Lambourn or Dawn Tonge, Jimmies Farmhouse, East Garston (648370). There will be some prizes.

Remembrance

Our Remembrance services this year will be held at 10.45am on Saturday 12th November beginning at All Saints Church East Garston and on Sunday 13th November beginning at Lambourn War memorial.

29th/30th October 2016

Remember to change your clocks. Winter is here.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our
learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your
holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of
everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus
Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Short Collect

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Joel 2:23 – 32

O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.
The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my
people shall never again be put to shame.
You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no
other.
And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

Then afterwards
I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

I will show portents in the heavens and on the
earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The
sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to
blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord
comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of
the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in
Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the
Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be
those whom the Lord calls.

2 Timothy 4:6 - 8, 16 – 18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a
libation, and the time of my departure has come. I
have fought the good fight, I have finished the
race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is
reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which
the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on
that day, and not only to me but also to all who
have longed for his appearing.

At my first defence no one came to my support,
but all deserted me. May it not be counted against
them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me
strength, so that through me the message might
be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear
it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The
Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and
save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the
glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Luke 18:9 – 14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in
themselves that they were righteous and regarded
others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the
temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-
collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was
praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like
other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even
like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a
tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector,
standing far off, would not even look up to heaven,
but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be
merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went
down to his home justified rather than the other; for
all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all
who humble themselves will be exalted.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.