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### **Prayers for People**

**We continue to pray for:** Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Anne Blackwell, Doreen Tosh and Steve Pulleigne.

# **Deanery Prayer Cycle**

### **Retired Clergy**

Christine Allsopp, George Carey, Dee Dawes, Trevor Dorey, Dick Douglas, Graham Foulis-Brown, Clive Jones, Trevor Maines, Piers Nash-Williams, Charles Packenham, Martin Partridge, Nigel Sands, Bill Stewart, Patrick Whitworth, Pat Willis, David Winter.

# **Notices & Diary Dates**

# Women's World Day of Prayer service

will be held in St Michael's at 7.30 pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The order of service has been prepared by the women of the Philippines on the theme "Am I being unfair to you?" Everyone is welcome, men and women and children.

# **Lambourn Welcome Pack**

Requests for our welcome pack for people newly moved into Lambourn have slowed down. Please continue to look out for houses with a "Sold" sign and tell Christine (674108 <a href="mailto:venchrisallsopp@gmail.com">venchrisallsopp@gmail.com</a>) when someone moves in. You can either deliver the pack yourself or ask for a member of our pastoral care team to deliver it.

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 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017 2nd Sunday before Lent 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 Lambourn Lexi Louise Roberts

#### Monday:

9.30am Prayers

10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn

#### Tuesday:

10.00am Deanery Chapter Away day Kintbury 7.30pm Matthew House Group Paddock View Upper Lambourn

#### Wednesday:

2.00pm Memorial Service Mr Alan Leatham Lambourn

#### =riday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

# Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017 Sunday next before Lent

9.00am Family Communion East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Readings

Exodus 24:12 - 18; 2 Peter 1:16 - 21; Matthew 17: 1 - 9.

# **Notices & Diary Dates**

# **Ash Wednesday 1st March**

7.30pm Holy Communion with Ashes at St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

### **Lent Groups**

From w/c 6th March we hope to have evening groups studying the Pilgrim Course 'The Beatitudes' Monday evenings at St Catherine's Lodge Lambourn Wednesday evenings at 4 Walkers Lane Lambourn and groups in East Garston and Eastbury evening to be determined

# Prayers and Readings



# The Collect for Today

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

# **Short Collect**

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Genesis 1 - 2:1**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the

And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night-and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them:

male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude.

### Romans 8:18 - 25

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

# Matthew 6:25 - 34

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today more than this comes from the evil one.

# Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.