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Prayers for People

We continue to pray for: Anthony Jefferson, Tony Basden, Christopher and Catherine Browne, David Taylor, George Kendall, and Cheryl Eaton-Evans.

Deanery Prayer Cycle

South Newbury

Becky Bevan, Paul Cowan, Debbie Davison, Terence Winrow

St. George Wash Common

St. John the Evangelist Newbury

Notices & Diary Dates

Advent Course on the Beatitudes

Bishop Stephen has produced an inspirational short study course to enable small groups to deepen their understanding of this key biblical text. He writes: Together, we are called to be more Christ-like: to be the Church of the Beatitudes: contemplative, compassionate and courageous for the sake of God's world.

Anyone interested in this three session course please let Martin know indicating the times (eg Tue evenings, Wed afternoons) they would be available to host or participate in a small group in the last week of November and the first two weeks of December.

All Saints Patronal Festival

10.30am 29th October 2017

We are delighted that the Dean of Christchurch The Very Rev Professor Martyn Percy will be our preacher at this service. Martyn is well worth hearing, do come and help us celebrate on this special occasion.

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 15th October 2017 Trinity 18

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 Harvest Festival Lambourn

Monday: 9.30am Prayers Lambourn

10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn

7.30pm PCC Lambourn

Tuesday:

12.00 Chapter St George's Wash Common3.00pm Funeral LambournMrs Sylvia Doris Little

Wednesday:

11.30am Holy Communion Harris Close 2.30pm Lambourn School Harvest

Thursday:

7.30pm Filling Station

Hampstead Norreys RG18 0TR

Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

Next Sunday 22nd October 2017 Trinity 19

9.00am Family Communion East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

Readings

Isaiah 45:1 - 7; 1 Thessalonians 1:1 - 10; Matthew 22:15 – 22

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Harvest Festivals

Wednesday 18th October

2.30pm Lambourn School Harvest Festival in Church.

At each harvest festival, tinned and packet goods will be given to the foodbank. Any fresh food items eg vegetables will be auctioned after the service.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Isaiah 25:1 - 9

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

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Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm.

the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all

faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from

all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Philippians 4:1 - 9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Matthew 22:1 - 14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.