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## Prayers for People

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

## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Shaw cum Donnington

Marion Wood  
St. Mary Shaw cum Donnington

## 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.

## Former Lambourn Methodist Church

This month's Village Views contains details of the exciting plans the Isbury Trustees have for the redevelopment of the site of the former Methodist Church in Lambourn as additional Almshouse accommodation. Make sure you get your copy.

**Bernard Breese:-** It is with sadness that we learned of the death of Richard Breese's father last week. Our prayers surround Richard, Chris & Beth and their wider family at this time of loss.

**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

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**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

### All Saints

**Welcome to everyone!**

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

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## The Week Ahead

### Today:

10.30am Patronal Festival East Garston

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn  
10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn

### Tuesday:

8.50am Assembly Lambourn School

### Friday:

10.00am Reception Class Service Lambourn

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## Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2017 4<sup>th</sup> Before Advent

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
3.00pm Memorial Service Lambourn

### Readings

Micah 3:5 - 12; 1 Thessalonians 2:9 - 13;  
Matthew 24:1 - 14.

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## Notices & Diary Dates

## Remembrance Services

Saturday 11th November 10.45am East Garston  
Sunday 12th November 10.45am Lambourn

## Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> November 7.30pm

Faringdon Corn Exchange

### Creation or Evolution: Do we have to choose?

Dr. Denis Alexander, of the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge, has written a book with the above title, and speaks around the world on this subject.

Entry and refreshments free - All welcome

Visit [www.allsaintsfaringdon.org.uk](http://www.allsaintsfaringdon.org.uk) for more information.

## All Saints Patronal Festival

### 10.30am TODAY

We are delighted that The Very Rev Professor Martyn Percy, the Dean of Christ Church, will be the preacher at our Group service today and to help us celebrate this special occasion for our church in East Garston. During the service, we will all be able to place lighted candles in the Sanctuary in memory of our loved ones that have passed away. There will be an opportunity to meet and talk to Martyn after the service when coffee, tea and biscuits will be served, so please do stay with us to give him a Lambourn Valley welcome.

# Prayers and Readings



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship in the mystical  
body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love  
you;  
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 of holiness,  
your glory is proclaimed in every age:  
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,  
inspire us to follow their example  
with boldness and joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Revelation 7:9 – 17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude  
that no one could count, from every nation, from all  
tribes and peoples and languages, standing before  
the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white,  
with palm branches in their hands. They cried out  
in a loud voice, saying,  
'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on  
the throne, and to the Lamb!'  
And all the angels stood around the throne and  
around the elders and the four living creatures,  
and they fell on their faces before the throne and  
worshipped God, singing,  
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honour  
and power and might  
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,  
'Who are these, robed in white, and where have  
they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the  
one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are  
they who have come out of the great ordeal; they  
have washed their robes and made them white in  
the blood of the Lamb.'

For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will  
shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be  
their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of  
life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

## 1 John 3:1 - 3

See what love the Father has given us, that we  
should be called children of God; and that is what  
we are. The reason the world does not know us is  
that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's  
children now; what we will be has not yet been  
revealed. What we do know is this: when he is  
revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as  
he is. And all who have this hope in him purify  
themselves, just as he is pure.

## Matthew 5:1 - 12.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the  
mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples  
came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught  
them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be  
comforted.

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the  
earth.

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for  
righteousness, for they will be filled.

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive  
mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see  
God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be  
called children of God.

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for  
righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of  
heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and  
persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against  
you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad,  
for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same  
way they persecuted the prophets who were  
before you.

## Post Communion Prayer

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all  
good things:

may we who have shared at this table as strangers  
and pilgrims here on earth

be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly  
feast on the day of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## Notices & Diary Dates

### Shoebox Appeal 2017

Leaflets and boxes for this year's shoebox appeal  
are available in the coffee area at St. Michael's, or  
ring Jill or Martin on 01488 73920. The shoeboxes  
are sent to children in Eastern Europe and Africa,  
in great need, and for whom the shoebox is their  
only Christmas gift. Thankyou if you are able to  
support the appeal; please can shoeboxes be  
returned to church or Lambourn Vicarage, before  
Saturday 11th November at the latest. We can  
also collect boxes, if needed.

