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Hermitage

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St. Mary Hampstead Norreys, Ss. Peter and Paul
Yattendon, St. Frideswide Frilsham, St. Mary and St.
Nicholas Compton, St. Mary East Ilsley

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for: Tony Basden, Cheryl Eaton-Evans, David Taylor, Nigel Jenks, Steve Morgan, John Andrews, Sarah Brooks, Carol Jerrard, Ruth Jarvis and Cathy Acton-Stewart.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Eric Hastle whose funeral was this week. We surround Pam (widow) and Neil (son) & family with our prayers.

We also pray for the family of Gerwyn Llewellyn who has died this week.

Notices & Diary Dates

Water Aid-Jars of Change Lent Appeal

Water aid is promoting a further appeal to raise funds for schools in Pakistan where only half of the schools have toilets and only a quarter have running water to enable students to wash their hands.

Please see the promotional materials on the notice board and in the refreshments area. All you need is a large clean jar and to save some small change such as 5p's, 10p's or bronze coins over the period of Lent. The jars can then be returned to Church for counting at Easter. Last year we raised over £300.00 for this worthy cause so let's see if we can repeat or beat this amount in 2018.

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 4th March 2018**Lent 3****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
11.45am Confirmation Class Lambourn

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn
10.00am Parents & Toddlers

Tuesday:

8.50am Assembly Lambourn School

Wednesday:

2.30pm Lent Group 2 Walkers Lane
Lambourn
7.30pm Lent Group St Christopher's Lodge
Wantage Road Lambourn

Friday:

10.00am Nursery Pram Service Lambourn
2.00pm Interment of Ashes Lambourn
Mrs Pauline Bracey

Saturday:

9.00am Lent Group St James Eastbury

Next Sunday 11th March 2018 Mothering Sunday

10.30am Family Service Eastbury
10.30am All Age Eucharist Lambourn
12.00 Family Service East Garston

Readings

1 Samuel 1:20 - 28; Colossians 3:12 - 17;
Luke 15:1 - 7.

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Mothering Sunday

We will be making flower posies for the Mothers Day Service on Saturday 10th March from 9.30am in church. Offers of help or donations of flowers would be appreciated please speak to or call Sandra on 72587.

Palm Sunday 25th March 2018

We begin our main Palm Sunday service at East Garston at 9.00am for the ministry of the word and walk or drive to Eastbury for the ministry of the sacrament from 11.00am. It is stressed that this is one service, it is not appropriate to just join in the second part. There will be an evening communion service at St Michael's Lambourn at 6..30pm on Palm Sunday.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first
he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the
cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and
peace;
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.

The Short Collect

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Exodus 20:1 – 17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of
the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you
shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in
the form of anything that is in heaven above, or
that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water
under the earth. You shall not bow down to them
or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a
jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of
parents, to the third and the fourth generation of
those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to
the thousandth generation of those who love me
and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of
the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit
anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For
six days you shall labour and do all your work. But
the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God;
you shall not do any work—you, your son or your
daughter, your male or female slave, your
livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in
six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day;
therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and
consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your
days may be long in the land that the Lord your
God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your
neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you
shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or

female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that
belongs to your neighbour.

1 Corinthians 1:18 – 25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to
those who are perishing, but to us who are being
saved it is the power of God. For it is written,
'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will
thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the
scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not
God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For
since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not
know God through wisdom, God decided, through
the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those
who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks
desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a
stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to
Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both
Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the
wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser
than human wisdom, and God's weakness is
stronger than human strength.

John 2:13 – 22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus
went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found
people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the
money-changers seated at their tables. Making a
whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the
temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also
poured out the coins of the money-changers and
overturned their tables. He told those who were
selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here!
Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His
disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal
for your house will consume me.' The Jews then
said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing
this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple,
and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then
said, 'This temple has been under construction for
forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three
days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his
body. After he was raised from the dead, his
disciples remembered that he had said this; and
they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus
had spoken.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the
temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the
only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.