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Walbury Beacon

Mark Wilson, Matthew Cookson, Sue Webster

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St. Michael Inkpen, St. Swithin Combe, St. Michael

Enborne, St. Mary Hamstead Marshall, St. Laurence

West Woodhay,

St. Mary the Virgin Kintbury with Avington

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, Cathy Acton-Stewart and David Ashplant.

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 lets see if we can repeat or beat this amount in 2018.

Women's World Day of Prayer service

Because of the snowy weather the Women's World Day of Prayer service due to be held on Friday 2nd March at the Church of the Sacred Heart had to be postponed. It will now be held there on Friday 20th April at 7.30 pm.

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 11th March 2018**Mothering Sunday****Welcome to everyone!****We are glad to have you join us
as we worship God in this church.**

The Week Ahead

Today:

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

Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn
10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn
7.30pm Lambourn PCC

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 Reception Class Service Lambourn

Saturday:

9.00am Lent Group St James Eastbury

Next Sunday 18th March 2018**Passion Sunday**

8.00am Holy Communion BCP Lambourn
9.30am Family Communion Eastbury
11.00am Family Service

Readings

Jeremiah 31:31 - 34; Hebrews 5:5 - 10
John 12:20 - 33.

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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.

Holy Week Services

Monday 7.30pm Holy Communion Lambourn
Tuesday 7.30pm Holy Communion Eastbury
Wednesday 7.30pm Holy Communion East Garston
Maundy Thursday 7.30pm Seder Style Communion Lambourn
Good Friday 10.00am Walk of Witness from St Michael & All Angels to the Sacred Heart Lambourn

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to
himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence to bind
together and to heal;
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

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Samuel 1:20 – 28

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son.
She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have
asked him of the Lord.'

The man Elkanah and all his household went up
to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay
his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to
her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will
bring him, that he may appear in the presence of
the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him
as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah
said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until
you have weaned him; only—may the Lord
establish his word.' So the woman remained and
nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she
had weaned him, she took him up with her, along
with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a
skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the
Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they
slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to
Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my
lord, I am the woman who was standing here in
your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I
prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition
that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the
Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.'

She left him there for the Lord.

Colossians 3:12 – 17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe
yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility,
meekness, and patience. Bear with one another
and, if anyone has a complaint against another,
forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven
you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe
yourselves with love, which binds everything
together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of
Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you
were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let
the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and
admonish one another in all wisdom; and with
gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and
spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in
word or deed, do everything in the name of the
Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father
through him.

Luke 15:1 – 7

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming
near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the
scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow
welcomes sinners and eats with them.'

So he told them this parable: 'Which one of you,
having a hundred sheep and losing one of them,
does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness
and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?
When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders
and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls
together his friends and neighbours, saying to
them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep
that was lost." Just so, I tell you, there will be more
joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than
over ninety-nine righteous people who need no
repentance.'

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and
drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.