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## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Shaw cum Donnington

Marion Wood  
St. Mary Shaw cum Donnington

## Prayers for People

**We continue to pray for:** Tony Basden, David Taylor, Nigel Jenks, Steve Morgan, Sarah Brooks, David Ashplant, Alan Wood and David Fowler.

We are sad to learn of the death of Ronald Arthur Muller of Eastbury. His funeral will be at Thatcham Crematorium at 12.00 noon on 2nd May.

## Notices & Diary Dates

**On the 12th May** our 3 valley churches St. Michael, St. James and All Saints are together raising funds for Christian Aid week, by having a cuppa and croissant between 9am and 10.30am at Eastbury church. A suggested donation £5 for continental breakfast with coffee/tea/juice with rolls/croissants. Please do support this worthy cause.

**Your social committee** are working hard to organise the following events:

**2nd June** 10.30-12 Coffee morning in aid of church funds, at St. Michael's church.

**1st July** St Michael church Fete Details TBA but if you would like to help at our annual church fete, please speak to Chris Couch or any member of the Committee. We look forward to your support.

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018****Fourth Sunday of Easter****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:

9.00am Family Communion East Garston  
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn  
12.00 Confirmation Class Lambourn

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn  
10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn  
7.15pm APCM East Garston  
Friends Meeting House

### Tuesday:

8.50am School Assembly Lambourn  
12.00 Chapter St George's  
2.00pm Funeral Woodlands St Mary  
Mrs Janet Mitchell

### Friday:

10.00am Pram Service Lambourn

### Saturday:

2.00pm Baptism All Saints East Garston  
Alfred Jacob Peter Quintin

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**Next Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

10.30am Group Communion East Garston  
12.30pm Baptism St Michael & All Angels Lambourn  
Matilda Rose Walker

### Readings

Acts 8:26-end; 1 John 4:7-end;  
John 15:1-8.

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### Confirmation 2018

Please pray for Beth Breese, Oliver Clayton, Julie Clayton, Matthew Clayton, Sharon Turner, Beth Williams and Mair Williams as they prepare for Confirmation on 15th May 2018. Please note that the time of this service has been brought forward to 7.00pm

**30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Ordination** Lydia Morey at  
Bristol Cathedral

# Prayers and Readings



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:

raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Short Collect

Risen Christ,  
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:  
teach us to hear your voice  
and to follow your command,  
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,  
to the glory of God the Father.

## Acts 4:5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

## 1 John 3:16-end

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

## John 10:11-18

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

## Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,  
you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,  
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:  
keep us always under his protection,  
and give us grace to follow in his steps;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.