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## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### East Downland Benefice

John Toogood, Denise Brown, Douglas Dales, William McDowell

All Saints West Ilsley, All Saints Farnborough, St.

Nicholas Beedon,

St. Barnabas Peasemore, St. Mary Chieveley

St. James the Less Winterbourne, St. Bartholomew

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St. Andrew Boxford, St. John Stockcross

## Prayers for People

**We continue to pray for:** Tony Basden, Nigel Jenks, Steve Morgan, Alan Wood, Elaine Knoll, Freda Scate Christine Breese, and Brian Watts.

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Lambourn Church Choir Concert:

22nd September 7pm

Lambourn Church Choir presents an evening of our favourite anthems, spanning five centuries. Highlights include Zadok the Priest by Handel, Ave Verum Corpus by Mozart, and two anthems by Parry. Admission free, with a retiring collection. The proceeds will go to the church choir to enable us to expand our music library, and to fund training of our young choristers. Please do come to support your church choir!

**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 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018****Trinity 13****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

2.00pm Exhibition Lambourn

5.00pm Carnival Parade

### Monday:

9.30am Prayers Lambourn

11.00am Exhibition Lambourn

3.00pm Cream Teas Lambourn

### Thursday:

8.00pm Bell ringing practice Lambourn

### Saturday:

12.00 Interment of ashes Lambourn

Mrs Joy Piper

3.00pm Wedding Lambourn

Kaelie Michelle Daffon & Gary Brian Watts

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**Next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018****Trinity 14**

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury

10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

### Readings

Deuteronomy 4:1 -2, 6 -9; James 1:17 - 27

Mark 7:1 - 8,14 - 15,21 - 22.

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### 22nd September 7.00pm

Concert by **Lambourn Church Choir** in  
St Michael & All Angels.

### 13th September 1.10pm

#### Lunchtime Organ Recital: St Nicolas' Church

**Newbury** This month's organ recital is given by Dr Stephen Holmes. The programme will include Bach's Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, and Franck's Final. Do come and support the organist of Lambourn Church! Admission free, retiring collection.

### Milk Bottle Tops

The Catholic Church also receives the Blue and Green milk bottle tops for a charity; so rather than throw them away, if you want to contribute to this please put them in a bag and place them into the Foodbank box in church. Thank you.

# Prayers and Readings



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Short Collect

Almighty God,  
you search us and know us:  
may we rely on you in strength  
and rest on you in weakness,  
now and in all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Joshua 24:1 -2a, 14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods.

'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'

Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

## Ephesians 6:10 – 20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

## John 6:56-69

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

## Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage  
until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## Notices & Diary Dates

### Food bank

Many thanks to those of you who have supported the **Food bank** over recent months. The West Berkshire **Food banks** are experiencing larger than usual requests for support which does happen at this time of year when it is the school holiday season and families whose children normally receive free school dinners struggle to provide sufficient for their children. As the rains have come at last, those of you who grow your own vegetables may have some excess Runner Beans or Courgettes, which could go to help those people at this time. All donations gratefully received.