

Lambourn Valley Contacts

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Deanery Prayer Cycle

West Downland Benefice

Miri Keen, Mary Harwood, LLM John Avery
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All Saints Brightwalton,
St. James Leckhampstead, St. Mary Fawley,
St. Swithin Wickham,
St. Gregory Welford, St. Mary Great Shefford,
St. Stephen Shefford Woodlands.

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for:

Tony Basden, Nigel Jenks, Steve Morgan,
Alan Wood, Charmaine Pike, David Ashplant,
Gill Wood, Ruth Jarvis, Alison Williams,
Linda Tame, Maureen Leppard, Carol Jerrard,
and Val Osmond.

Notices & Diary Dates

Prayer List

Some people are, rightly, on our prayer list long-term. Other people only need to be on the list for a short period. Can everyone please let Christine Allsopp know regularly so that the list can be appropriately updated and she is informed of any pastoral needs.

All Age Worship planning. We have lost four of our key planners for all age worship with the departure of the Cawte and the Wise families. We are really keen to keep up the development of our all age worship. Please let Ruth Honey (01488 71158) know if you would be interested in helping.

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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To contact Barry Everett 01488 72681
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Lambourn Valley Welcome

St James the Greater Eastbury
All Saints East Garston
St Michael & All Angels Lambourn

Sunday 2nd December 2018

1st Sunday of Advent

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
3.00pm Christingle Service Lambourn

Monday:

10.00am Parents & Toddlers Lambourn
1.30 – 3.30pm Food Bank Sacred Heart Hall

Wednesday:

7.00pm Choir practice Lambourn

Thursday:

12.45pm Funeral of Colin Ratcliffe,
Kingsdown Crematorium.
7.30pm Section 11 Meeting of PCCs, Eastbury
8.00pm Bell ringing practice Lambourn

Friday:

10.00am Reception Service (F2), Lambourn
5.30 – 8.00pm Christmas Fair, Lambourn

Next Sunday 9th December 2018

2nd Sunday of Advent

9.00am Family Communion East Garston
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn
4.00pm Christingle Eastbury

Readings

Malachi 3.1-4; Philippians 1.3-11;
Luke 3.1-6

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Annual Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair this year will be held in Church on **Friday 7th December 5.30 – 8.00pm**. We will have a wide variety of stalls selling children's books, decorations, gifts and Christmas Wreaths supplied by Lambourn Valley Horticultural Society, a Raffle Draw and much more. There will be Carol singing led by our Church Choir at 7pm. Complementary Coffee/Tea and mince pies will be served and a warm welcome awaits you all.

If you have a **Children's Society** saving box, which needs emptying, can you please pass it to Brian Fletcher who will send off the proceeds to the society along with the collection from the Christingle this Sunday.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in
great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Short Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin
to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Jeremiah 33.14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

1 Thessalonians 3.9-end

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Luke 21.25-36

Jesus said to his disciples:
'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.
Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory.

Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The **Lambourn Carol singers** will meet at the Lychgate at **7pm on Monday December 10th, Thursday December 13th, and Saturday December 15th**. We would welcome as many singers as possible, and also collectors. We shall be dividing the proceeds between the Church and the Children's Society.

Time out in Advent

Saturday 15th December 10am-12noon

Join us in Lambourn Church for a time of reflection, prayer, and practical preparation for Christmas and beyond.

Lambourn Valley Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support of the Lambourn Valley Foodbank. There has been a considerable increase in the use of the Foodbank in recent months and this is likely to be sustained during the Festive season. Items such as Long-life Milk, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, smash, beans and soup are always needed. We also try to provide soap, shower gel, shampoo and toilet rolls which are items people also need.

Tina, Paul and Betty Wise are moving to:-

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