

Lambourn Valley Contacts

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Deanery Prayer Cycle

Lambourn Valley

Christine Allsopp
St. Michael and All Angels Lambourn
St. James the Greater Eastbury,
All Saints East Garston

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for:

Tony Basden, Nigel Jenks, Steve Morgan,
Alan Wood, Charmaine Pike, David Ashplant,
Ruth Jarvis, Linda Tame, Maureen Leppard,
Carol Jerrard and Christine Kendall.

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.

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 30th December 2018

1st Sunday of Christmas

Welcome to everyone!

We are glad to have you join us
as we worship God in this church.

The Week Ahead

Today 30th December 2018

10.30am Group Communion Lambourn

Monday 31st December New Years Eve 2018

1.30 – 3.30pm Food Bank Sacred Heart Hall

Thursday 3rd January 2019

8.00pm Bell ringing practice Lambourn

Friday 4th January 2019

7.00pm Choir Practice Lambourn

Next Sunday 6th January 2019 Epiphany of the Lord

9.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastbury
10.30am Sung Eucharist Lambourn

Readings

Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12;
Matthew 2.1-12

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THANK YOU!

Thank you to the very many people in our three parishes who have contributed to our services and events during December, welcoming so many people to our churches. Thanks go to both those whose contributions have been visible and to those who have been at work "behind the scenes" - you know who you are!

Christine Allsopp

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Short Collect

God in Trinity,
eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Samuel 2.18-20,26

Samuel was ministering before the Lord, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, 'May the Lord repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the Lord'; and then they would return to their home.

Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favour with the Lord and with the people.

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 2.41-end

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem,

but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home:
help your Church to live as one family,
united in love and obedience,
and bring us all at last to our home in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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A message from Lambourn PCC Treasurer

Our **Christingle Service** on the 2nd December raised £237.90 plus some Gift aid of £33.00 which the Children's Society will be able to reclaim.

Those of you who put away your small change in the Society boxes raised a further £120.33, and our **Carol Singing** efforts raised £328.59 out of which 50% will be sent to the Children's Society, the other 50% will go toward our church running costs. Our **Christmas Bazaar** on December 7th raised the tremendous sum of £965.65 out of which £50.00 will be going toward the Bells Fund and the remainder towards our day to day running costs.

Lastly over 250 people packed the Church on December 11th for the **Injured Jockey Fund Carol Concert**. The retiring collection raised the superb sum of £1120.00 half of which will be for our Church and the other half for the IJF who also made a welcome and substantial profit for their charity from the proceeds of the ticket sales. Many thanks to all who supported these services and events.