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Deanery Prayer Cycle

Greenham

David McLeod, Brian Jones and John Bramhall St. Mary Greenham

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for:

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

Those who have died recently:

Evelyn (Mary) Gee, Alan Leslie Hawkins.

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 20th January 2019 Epiphany 3

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

The Week Ahead

Today 20th January

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Lambourn9.30am Family Communion, Eastbury11.00am Family Service, Lambourn11.30am Baptism of Emily Kate Blundell, Eastbury

Monday 21st January

9.30 -10.00am Prayers, Lambourn 10.00am Parents and Toddlers, Lambourn 1.30 - 3.30pm Food Bank, Sacred Heart Hall

Thursday 24th January

8.00pm Good Friday Concert Rehearsal, Lambourn

Friday 25th January

1.30pm Funeral of Alan 'Curly' Hawkins, W. Berks Crematorium 7.00pm Choir Practice, Lambourn

Next Sunday 27th January 2019 Epiphany 4

9.00am Family Communion, East Garston 10.30am Sung Eucharist, Lambourn 6.30pm Sung Evensong, East Garston

Readings

Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a; Luke 4.14-21

Notices & Diary Dates

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th January

Please pray for our brothers and sisters of all church traditions in the Lambourn Valley and for a closer understanding between Christians worldwide.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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 all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Isaiah 62.1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord.

and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

1 Corinthians 12.1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit,

to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

John 2.1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you. 'Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,

whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:

may your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth;

for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Notices & Diary Dates

Update on appointment process

Following the Section 12 meeting between the three PCCs and Archdeacon Olivia, six parish representatives, two from each parish, have been elected to interview candidates for the post of Vicar of the Lambourn Valley Benefice. An advertisement has been agreed and will be published in the Church Times on Friday 25th January and Friday 1st February. The closing date is 15th February with interviews scheduled for 28th February. Please pray for all involved in the selection process and for a good response to the advertisement.