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Deanery Prayer Cycle

Retired Clergy

Rita Ball, George Carey, John Coombs, Dee Dawes, Trevor Dorey, Dick Douglas, Graham Foulis-Brown, Michael Harley, Pam McKellen, Trevor Maines, Piers Nash-Williams, Martin Partridge, Nigel Sands, Bill Stewart, Patrick Whitworth, Pat Willis, David Winter, Margaret Yates and Martin Cawte.

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for:

Tony Basden, Nigel Jenks, Alan Wood, Charmaine Pike, David Ashplant, Ruth Jarvis, Linda Tame, Maureen Leppard, Margaret Stewart, Bill Stewart and David Heath.

Those who have died recently:

Evelyn (Mary) Gee, Raymond Hobbs, Brian Dellafera, Clifford Ward.

Notices & Diary Dates

Forthcoming sermons To complement the Lent Course, Christine will preach on the subject of the Eucharist/Holy Communion beginning next Sunday 24th February in East Garston and Lambourn, on 10th March in Lambourn, 17th March in Eastbury and 24th March in Lambourn.

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 17th February 2019 3rd Sunday before Lent

Welcome to everyone!

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

The Week Ahead

Today 17th February

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Lambourn
9.30am Family Communion, Eastbury
11.00am Family Service, Lambourn

Monday 18th February

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

Tuesday 19th February

8.00pm Deanery Synod St Mary's, Thatcham

Wednesday 20th February

11.30am Holy Communion Harris Close

Thursday 21st February

8.00pm Good Friday Concert Rehearsal, Lambourn

Friday 22nd February

7.00pm Choir Practice, Lambourn

Next Sunday 24th February 2019 2nd Sunday before Lent

9.00am Family Communion, East Garston
10.30am Sung Eucharist, Lambourn
6.30pm Taize Service, Eastbury

Readings

Genesis 2.4b-9,15-end; Revelation 4;
Luke 8.22-25

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World Day of Prayer service St Michael and All Angels' Lambourn March 1st 7.30 p.m.

The service this year has been prepared by the women of Slovenia and the theme is: Come, Everything is Ready. The invitation is for everyone - men, women and children of all ages to join this Day of Prayer. World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation, which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns and prayers. The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 120 countries. Please come and join in.

Prayers and Readings



The Collect for Today

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
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

Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.

Jeremiah 17.5-10

Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the
wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.
Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.
The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

1 Corinthians 15.12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead,
how can some of you say there is no resurrection of
the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then
Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been
raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and
your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be
misrepresenting God, because we testified of God
that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is
true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are
not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ
has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still
in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ

have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in
Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.
But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the
first fruits of those who have died.

Luke 6.17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place,
with a great crowd of his disciples and a great
multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and
the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear
him and to be healed of their diseases; and those
who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.
And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for
power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
'Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.
'Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when
they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on
account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and
leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven;
for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.
'But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.
'Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.
'Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is
what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,
that those who come to him should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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Lent 2019 Many of us have not spent time
reflecting on the meaning and importance of Holy
Communion since we were confirmed. There will be
an opportunity for Lent Groups this year to do so,
using the Pilgrim Course on "The Eucharist". Please
sign the list in Lambourn church today if you would
like to join a group meeting either on Monday
afternoons or Wednesday evenings in Lambourn.
There will also be a joint group for Eastbury and
East Garston meeting on Saturday mornings in
Eastbury. Please let Paul Reynolds or Bob Briant
know if you would like to join this group. The course
is also suitable for anyone not confirmed but
interested in finding out more.