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St. Nicholas Beedon.

St. Barnabas Peasemore, St. Mary Chieveley

St. James the Less Winterbourne,

St. Bartholomew Oare

St. Andrew Boxford, St. John Stockcross

Prayers for People

We continue to pray for:

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:

Brian Dellafera, Tony Basden.

Notices & Diary Dates

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

Ash Wednesday 6th March There will be a service of Holy Communion in Lambourn at 7.30pm with the Imposition of Ashes.

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 24th February 2019 2nd 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 24th February

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

Monday 25th February

9.30 -10.00am Prayers, Lambourn 10.00am Parent and Toddlers, Lambourn 1.00pm Funeral of Brian Dellafera, Lambourn 1.30pm - 3.30pm Food Bank, Sacred Heart Hall 7.30pm Lambourn PCC

Thursday 28th February

1.00pm Bring and Share lunch, Lambourn 8.00pm Good Friday Concert Rehearsal, Lambourn

Friday 1st March

10.00am Reception Class Service (F2), Lambourn 7.30pm World Day of Prayer Service, Lambourn

Next Sunday 3rd March 2019 Sunday next before Lent

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Eastbury 10.30am Sung Eucharist, Lambourn

Readings

Exodus 34,29-end; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.28-36 (37-43a)

Notices & Diary Dates

One candidate for the vacancy of the **Vicar** of the **Lambourn Valley Benefice** is being interviewed on Thursday 28th February. PCC members from all three parishes, partners and others interested are invited to a "bring and share lunch" Lambourn, with the candidate (ie bring a plate of food to share) at 1.00pm on the day. Please pray for all those involved.

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

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, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

The Short Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Genesis 2.4b-9,15-end

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman,

for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Revelation 4

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne

there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

Luke 8.22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them. 'Where is your faith?'

They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, And they obey him?'

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,

by your gift

the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Lent 2019

Jars of Change Appeal in aid of Water Aid

Many communities in under developed countries in Africa suffer sickness from drinking dirty water. Friday, 22nd March is **World Water Day**, and this again falls during Lent. As in 2017 and 2018 we are, with your support, aiming to collect **Jars of Change** to further the work of Water Aid, to bring clean water to Malawi, one of the least developed and smallest African countries. Please see the poster on the porch notice board. Your Jars of Change should please be returned to church on Palm Sunday April 14th. Thank you

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.