

## Lambourn Valley Contacts

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## Deanery Prayer Cycle

### Hungerford with Denford

Mike Saunders, LLM Michael Morecroft,  
Alison Saunders  
St. Lawrence Hungerford

## Prayers for People

### We continue to pray for:

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

## Notices & Diary Dates

### Lent 2019 - Jars of Change Appeal In aid of Water Aid, Lambourn

Many communities in under developed countries in Africa suffer sickness from drinking dirty water. Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

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 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Welcome to everyone!**

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

## The Week Ahead

### Today 24<sup>th</sup> March

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

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March

9.30 -10.00am Prayers, Lambourn  
10.00am Parent and Toddlers, Lambourn  
1.30pm - 3.30pm Food Bank, Sacred Heart Hall  
2.00pm Lent Group, Mellor Cottage, Lambourn  
2.00pm Lambourn School rehearsal  
7.30pm Lambourn PCC Meeting

### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

2.00pm Lambourn School Service

### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

7.30pm Lent Group, St Christopher's Lodge,  
Lambourn

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

8.00pm Good Friday Concert Rehearsal, Lambourn

### Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March

7.00pm Choir Practice, Lambourn

### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March

8.45 for 9.00am Lent Group, Eastbury Church  
9.30am Making posies in Lambourn Church

## Next Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 Mothering Sunday

10.30am All Age Eucharist, Lambourn.  
10.30am Mothering Sunday Service, Eastbury  
12 noon Mothering Sunday Service, East Garston

### Readings

Exodus 2.1-10; John 19.25b-27

## Notices & Diary Dates

The **appointment** of our next vicar, the Revd Julie Mintern has been announced. She will be instituted and inducted on Monday 29th July in St Michael & All Angels, **Lambourn**.

In **Lambourn** the making of the posies for **Mothering Sunday** will be on Saturday 30th March from 9.30am in church. If you can help on the day or donate flowers please contact Sandra 72587

# Prayers and Readings



## The Collect for Today

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he  
suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;  
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,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Isaiah 55.1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.  
Why do you spend your money for that which is not  
bread,  
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.  
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.  
See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.  
Seek the Lord while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;  
let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on  
them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

## 1 Corinthians 10.1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and  
sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and  
all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into  
Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the  
same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink.  
For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them,  
and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not  
pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in  
the wilderness.  
Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that  
we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become  
idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The

people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to  
play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as  
some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a  
single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some  
of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do  
not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed  
by the destroyer. These things happened to them to  
serve as an example, and they were written down to  
instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have  
come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that  
you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not  
common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let  
you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing  
he will also provide the way out so that you may be able  
to endure it.

## Luke 13.1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him  
about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled  
with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that  
because these Galileans suffered in this way they were  
worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you;  
but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or  
those eighteen who were killed when the tower of  
Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse  
offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I  
tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as  
they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted  
in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and  
found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For  
three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree,  
and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be  
wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one  
more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it  
bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can  
cut it down."'

## Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,  
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations  
of the world, the flesh and the devil,  
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only  
God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## Notices & Diary Dates

**Eastbury:** APCM is on 1st April at 7.30pm

**East Garston:** APCM is on 9th April

**Lambourn:** The PCC Treasurer has prepared copies of  
the annual accounts and his report, covering the period  
01/01/2018 to 31/12/2018 for your information. Will you  
please take a copy, which are on the table near the  
south door. Kindly note your name on the sheet on the  
table, and please diarise that St Michael's APCM will be  
held on the 29<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in church. Thank you

**Lambourn: Notice is hereby given** that under the  
Church Representation Rules a new Church Electoral  
Roll is being prepared. All persons who wish to have  
their names entered on the new Roll, whether their  
names are entered on the present Roll or not, are  
requested to apply for enrolment not later than 12<sup>th</sup>  
April. Forms are available in church, or from Moya Tong  
the Electoral Roll Officer. Please complete both sides  
of the form.