

This week's services

Sunday 12th May

9.00am, Holy Communion, BCP, Finstock
10.30am, Rogation Service, Turley Farm, Ramsden
6.00pm, Taize Service, Leafield



Sunday 19th May

9.00am, Holy Communion, BCP, Leafield
10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock
6.00pm, Evensong, Ramsden



We publish the banns of marriage (2) between:

Joanne Sarah Reay and Michael John Godfrey
To be married on 8th June 2019
at St Michael & All Angels, Leafield

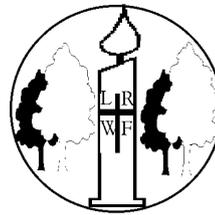
Louise Ford and Michael Morgon
To be married on 22nd June 2019
at St Mary the Virgin, Shipton under Wychwood

There is real wisdom, Lord, in the adage
'It is always Springtime
in the heart that loves God.'
Springtime is a season of optimism and hope,
and the Christian lives a faith centred on hope.
Winter, with its cold and dark days has gone,
just as Good Friday has passed
to Easter and beyond.
We live a resurrection life
reflected in the new life springing up around us.
Thank you, Lord, for the hope that you bring,
the renewal that you bring,
both to this world and to our hearts and lives.
Amen

***If we as a Church can help in any way,
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PEW SHEET

*4th Sunday of
Easter
12th May 2019*

***Please take this pew sheet with
you when you leave***



A loop system for the hard of hearing is fitted
in all our churches
(with the exception of St Peter's, Wilcote)

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<http://www.forestedgebenefice.co.uk>

The Collect



Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Acts 9: 36-end †

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her

eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Gospel Reading John 10: 22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'



Forest Edge Benefice Walk & Picnic Sunday May 19th

**Approximately 10 miles – sponsored or otherwise
Meet at Leafield church at 10am.**

The Walk includes parishes of Finstock (arriving at Finstock church at approximately 11.30 for the end of their 10.30 service for those who want to join us), Wilcote and then finishing at Ramsden.

Please ring Nicky or Simon S-B, 01993 878000 for further details.

These Bible readings are designated for each day

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| Monday | <i>Ephesians 4: 1-16</i> |
| Tuesday | <i>Acts 2: 37-end</i> |
| Wednesday | <i>Ephesians 5: 1-14</i> |
| Thursday | <i>Ephesians 5: 15-end</i> |
| Friday | <i>Ephesians 6: 1-9</i> |
| Saturday | <i>Ephesians 6: 10-end</i> |

Please pray for the following throughout the week

Monday *Those who are sick or grieving within our community.*

Tuesday *Those who are suffering in this country and around the world.*

Wednesday *The Queen and other leaders in this country.*

Thursday *For the troubled areas around the world, we pray for peace and justice.*

Friday *For the ministry of the Forest Edge Benefice and for those who lead us.*

Saturday *For an abundance of love, peace, harmony and forgiveness to reign within families and relationships.*

Please also pray for the Chipping Norton Deanery, And particularly this week.

St Mary's, Chastleton.

Please pray for David Salter, James Kennedy, Jackie Jones, Martha Simpson, Ursula Simpson & Roger Simpson and the Churchwardens Tessa and Alistair Jackson.

