

### This week's services

#### Sunday 19th May

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



#### Sunday 26th May

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock  
Benefice Service



### We publish the banns of marriage (3) between:

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

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

## Ramsden Open Gardens Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 1.30-5.30pm

Admission £5, children free

Teas & Plant stall

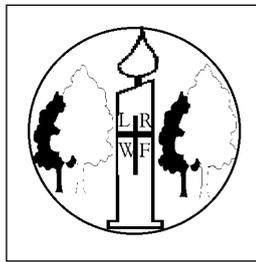
In aid of St James' Church  
And the Memorial Hall



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

5th Sunday of  
Easter  
19th 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)

Benefice website:

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

### The Collect



Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### First Reading

**Acts 11: 1-18 †**

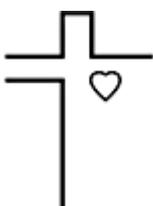
Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means,

Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, “Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.” And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’



**Gospel Reading**  
**John 13: 31-35**

When he had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’



**These Bible readings are designated for each day**

<b>Monday</b>	<i>1 Peter 1: 1-12</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>1 Peter 1: 13-end</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>1 Peter 2: 1-10</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>1 Peter 2: 11-end</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<i>1 Peter 3: 1-12</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>1 Peter 3: 13-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 James', Ramsden.  
Please pray for Paul Mansell  
and the Churchwardens  
John Hook & Rosalind Danks.

