

This week's services



Sunday 1st December

9.00am, Holy Communion, BCP, Ramsden
10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Leafield
4.00pm, Advent Carol Service, Finstock

Sunday 8th December

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

Friday 6th December St James' Church, Ramsden

12.30pm

Join us for a simple lunch of soup, bread and cheese

Meet friends and neighbours

And raise some money for charity



RAMSDEN CHRISTMAS MARKET

SHUCKLETT'S PADDOCK • RAMSDEN • OX7 3AU

SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER 1^{PM} - 5^{PM}

Over 60 stalls selling a wide range of quality crafts and gifts including ceramics, jewellery, glassware, textiles, decorations and wreaths. Food stalls, teas, cakes and mulled wine. Brass band and carol singers.

Admission £2
Children under 16 free

The biggest covered
Christmas Market
in Oxfordshire



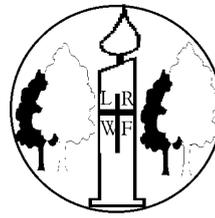
POP-UP
CHAMPAGNE
BAR

Stall holders: contact 01993 868 744 or visit www.ramsdenvillage.co.uk

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

1st Sunday of Advent

1st December 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, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Isaiah 2: 1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Second Reading Romans 13: 11-end

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel Reading Matthew 24: 36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.



Holy Trinity Church, Finstock, is delighted to welcome back the choir 'Ayes and Graces' for an Advent Carol Service by candlelight

Sunday 1st December 2019
Beginning at 4:00pm
Holy Trinity Church, Finstock
Mulled wine and mince pies will be served after the service
"Out of darkness into light"



Wednesday 4th December
Switching on of the Christmas Lights
Lantern Procession & Carols
5.30pm, Leaffield



Saturday 7th December
St Michael's Church, Leaffield

11.00am

Join us for coffee, cake and chat!
Bring & Buy and Traidcraft stalls



These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>Matthew 12: 1-21</i>
Tuesday	<i>Matthew 12: 22-37</i>
Wednesday	<i>Matthew 12: 38-end</i>
Thursday	<i>Matthew : 13: 1-23</i>
Friday	<i>Matthew 13: 24-43</i>
Saturday	<i>Matthew 13: 44-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, Chipping Norton.

Please pray for James Kennedy, David Salter, Jackie Jones, Martha Simpson, Ursula Simpson, Roger Simpson & Judith Marshall and the Churchwardens
Graham Povey & Timothy Woolcock.