

This week's services



Sunday 19th January

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

Sunday 26th January

10.30am, Pet Blessing Service, Ramsden
Benefice Service

Pet Blessing Service
Sunday 26th January
St James' Ramsden

10.30am



Everyone Welcome
With or without their pets!
Coffee and Treats afterwards

I do not fear this day,
for you are with me wherever I might go,
your light to shine ahead,
your footsteps to lead the way.

I do not fear this day,
for your word will be my guide,
your strength will sustain me,
your love revive me,
this day and all days.

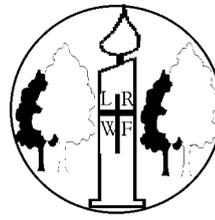
I do not fear this day, for you are with me.



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PEW SHEET

*2nd Sunday of
Epiphany*
19th January 2020

***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, in Christ you
make all things new: transform
the poverty of our nature by the
riches of your grace, and in the renewal of
our lives make known your heavenly glory;
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.

First Reading
Isaiah 49: 1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention,
you peoples from far away! The Lord called
me before I was born, while I was in my
mother's womb he named me. He made
my mouth like a sharp sword, in the
shadow of his hand he hid me; he made
me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid
me away. And he said to me, 'You are my
servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'
But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have
spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and
my reward with my God.' And now the Lord
says, who formed me in the womb to be
his servant, to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—he
says, 'It is too light a thing that you should
be my servant to raise up the tribes of

Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 1: 1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Reading
John 1: 29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me

to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>Matthew 24: 1-14</i>
Tuesday	<i>Matthew 24: 15-28</i>
Wednesday	<i>Matthew 24: 29-end</i>
Thursday	<i>Matthew 25: 1-13</i>
Friday	<i>Matthew 25: 14-30</i>
Saturday	<i>Philippians 3: 1-14</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 John the Evangelist, Little Tew.
Please pray for Ginny Thomas
and the Church Warden Claire Freeman.

