

This week's services

Sunday 10th March

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



Tuesday 12th March

7:30pm Lent Group, ending with Compline, Ramsden

Sunday 17th March

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



Alexander Graham Bell is probably best remembered for having been the person who invented the telephone. He was born in Scotland but moved to Canada and then the United States. In Boston he set up a training school for those who would teach the deaf. Trying to invent a machine that would help deaf people to hear, he learned how to use electricity as a means of transmitting speech. It was on this day - 10th March - in the year 1876, that wires were laid between two rooms, and the first words were spoken on a telephone. They were addressed by Alexander Graham Bell to his assistant: "*Mr Watson, will you please come up here? I want you.*" Sometimes we take many things for granted - like the telephone. There are times, too, when we take people for granted.

**We pray that each of us develops
the skills and talents we have been given,
and that we remain open and sensitive
to all that is around us.**

**We pray that we may live in such a way
that we use things and love people,
instead of using people and loving things.**

**We pray that we may value and treasure
all who come into our lives,
not just for what they can do, but for who they are.**

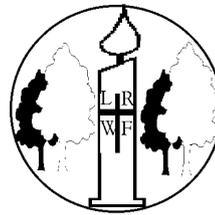
**We pray that we live in such a way
as to express appreciation
by the way we look at people and in what we say.**

Amen

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

*1st Sunday of
Lent*

10th March 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:

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The Collect



Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 Deuteronomy 26: 1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty

and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Second Reading **Romans 10: 8b-13**

But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Gospel Reading **Luke 4: 1-13**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."' Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has

been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

We publish the banns of marriage (2) between:

Nicola Jayne Wheeler and Tariq Edward Khoyratty
To be married on 18th May 2019
at St John the Baptist, Burford

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>John 5: 1-18</i>
Tuesday	<i>John 5: 19-29</i>
Wednesday	<i>John 5: 30-end</i>
Thursday	<i>John 6: 1-15</i>
Friday	<i>John 6: 16-27</i>
Saturday	<i>John 6: 27-40</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:

All Saints, Shorthampton.
Please pray for Sally Welch,
Jan Fielden & Tish Bird
and the Churchwardens Dine Glasgow
and Paddy Gallagher

