

This week's services

Sunday 31st March Mothering Sunday
10.30am, Holy Communion, BCP, Wilcote



Tuesday 2nd April

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

Friday 5th April

9:30am School's Eastertide Service, Leaffield

Sunday 7th April

9.00am, Holy Communion, BCP, Ramsden

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Leaffield

Notices:

Wed 3rd April 7.00pm	Ramsden APCM	St James', Ramsden
Sun 7th April 11.30am	Leaffield APCM	St Michael's, Leaffield



Friday 5th April

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



Thank you God for the love of our mothers

Thank you God for their care and concern

Thank you God for the joys they have shared with us

Thank you God for the pains they have borne for us

Thank you God for all that they give us

Through Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

***If we as a Church can help in any way,
please contact:***

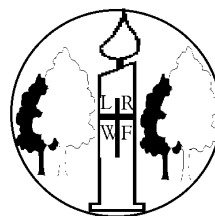
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PEW SHEET

Mothering Sunday
4th Sunday of
Lent
31st March 2019

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

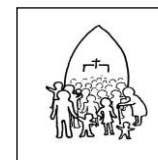


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The Collect



God of compassion, whose Son
Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in
Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole
human family to himself: strengthen us in
our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we
may know the power of your presence to
bind together and to heal; 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

1 Samuel 1: 20-end

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a
son. She named him Samuel, for she said,
'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man
Elkanah and all his household went up to
offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to
pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for
she said to her husband, 'As soon as the
child is weaned, I will bring him, that he
may appear in the presence of the Lord,
and remain there for ever; I will offer him
as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband
Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best
to you, wait until you have weaned him;
only—may the Lord establish his word.' So
the woman remained and nursed her son,
until she weaned him. When she had
weaned him, she took him up with her,
along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah
of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought
him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and

the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.


Second Reading
2 Corinthians 1: 3-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

Gospel Reading
Luke 2: 33-35

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'





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These Bible readings are designated for each day

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| Monday | <i>John 9: 18-end</i> |
| Tuesday | <i>John 10: 1-10</i> |
| Wednesday | <i>John 10: 11-21</i> |
| Thursday | <i>John 10: 22-end</i> |
| Friday | <i>John 11: 1-16</i> |
| Saturday | <i>John 11: 17-27</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 Peter's, Cornwell.
Please pray for James Kennedy, David Salter,
Jackie Jones, Martha Simpson Ursula Simpson
& Roger Simpson,
and the Churchwarden Charles Colston.

