

This week's services

Sunday 4th July

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Leaffield



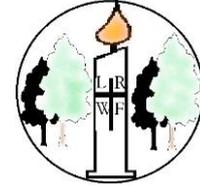
Sunday 11th July

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Ramsden

10.30am, Morning Light, non-Eucharistic
Family Service, Leaffield



PEW SHEET



4th July 2021
5th Sunday after Trinity

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

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These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	2 Corinthians 1: 1-14
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 1: 15-2.4
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 2: 5-end
Thursday	2 Corinthians 3
Friday	2 Corinthians 4
Saturday	2 Corinthians 5

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.



The Collect



Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body
of the Church is governed and
sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer
for all your faithful people, that in their
vocation and ministry they may serve you
in holiness and truth to the glory of your
name; through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with
you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever.

First Reading Ezekiel 2: 1-5

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

***If we as a Church can help in any way,
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Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Gospel Reading

Mark 6: 1-13

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid

his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

BAPTISM

We welcome Rocco Charles Fowler-Harris brought for baptism today by Meg and Clare. We hope all Rocco's family and friends who have come to share in his special day enjoy the occasion.
10.30am, Leaffield



Our walk with God is never a lonely walk,
it is a family occasion,
if taken in the company of God's children.
If we lag behind,
there are those who will turn
and offer words of encouragement,
hold out a hand and offer assistance
over stiles and other obstacles,
share refreshment,
help us from our knees when we stumble.

Our walk with God is never a lonely walk.
It is a joyful experience,
as along the path others join us,
attracted by the company of God's children,
singing the same songs of praise that angels sing,
following a path worn down by tears and joy,
and sacrifice.

Our walk with God is never a lonely walk,
for he walks with us,
on a track that leads to a glorious destination.

Amen