

This week's services

Sunday 8th August

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Ramsden



Sunday 15th August

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock

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



PEW SHEET



8th August 2021
10th 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 Mark 2: 23-3.6

Tuesday Mark 3: 7-19a

Wednesday Mark 3: 19b-end

Thursday Mark 4: 1-20

Friday Mark 4: 21-34

Saturday Mark 4: 35-end

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



Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your
humble servants; and that they
may obtain their petitions make them to
ask such things as shall please you;
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 Kings 19: 4-8

But he himself went a day's journey into
the wilderness, and came and sat down
under a solitary broom tree. He asked that
he might die: 'It is enough; now, O Lord,
take away my life, for I am no better than
my ancestors.' Then he lay down under
the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly
an angel touched him and said to him,
'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at
his head was a cake baked on hot stones,
and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and
lay down again. The angel of the Lord
came a second time, touched him, and
said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the
journey will be too much for you.' He got
up, and ate and drank; then he went in the
strength of that food for forty days and
forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

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Second Reading **Ephesians 4: 25-5.2**

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Gospel Reading **John 6: 35, 41-51**

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so

that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Some libraries throughout Britain and the United States - especially small ones - bear some wording on the building: "Funded by Carnegie". The 11th August, is the anniversary of the death in 1919 of Andrew Carnegie. He was born of a poor family in Scotland, and later emigrated to the United States, aged 13. There, in the State of Pennsylvania, he found work as a bobbin boy, replacing cotton bobbins in a mill, having to work 11 hours a day. Later he worked his way up in a telegraph office and with a railway company. He had started with nothing, but became very wealthy in the Pullman Railway Company and by investing in land where there was coal, iron and oil. After the American Civil War he founded a company that produced iron railway bridges, and then he formed his own iron and steel corporation. Although he had little education himself in school, he was always particularly interested in education and books. Whilst he was alive, Andrew Carnegie gave away more than \$350 million to projects dealing with education, culture and peace. 1,700 libraries across the United States and Britain received money from him. Andrew Carnegie said: "The man who dies rich, dies disgraced." We can pause to ask ourselves what he may have meant by those words.

**Lord Jesus,
you talked about the need for us
to have our priorities right,
and not to hoard possessions.
You said that where our treasure is,
there our heart and commitment
will really be.
Touch our hearts
that we may love people
and use things
- and never the other way around.
Inspire us to seek first your kingdom
and use our talents and gifts
for the benefit of others.**

Amen

