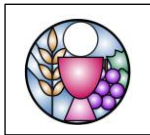


This week's services



Sunday 3rd November

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Leafield**
All Saints Service

Friday 8th November

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday

11.00am, Act of Remembrance

followed by a service in **Ramsden** church

(RBL Parade at 10:55am around War Memorial)

12.30pm, Act of Remembrance at War Memorial,
Finstock

4.00pm, Act of Remembrance, **Leafield**

Everyone welcome at all services!

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>Revelation 1</i>
Tuesday	<i>Revelation 2: 1-11</i>
Wednesday	<i>Revelation 2: 12-end</i>
Thursday	<i>Revelation 3: 1-13</i>
Friday	<i>Revelation 3: 14-end</i>
Saturday	<i>Revelation 4</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 King 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 Mary the Virgin, Shipton-under-Wychwood.

Please pray for Sarah Sharp & Karen Rizzello and the Church Wardens

James Walmsley & David Ensor



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PEW SHEET



3rd November 2024
All Saints' Day

Please take this pew sheet with you when you leave.

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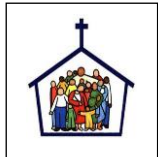
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The Collect



Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love 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 Wisdom 3: 1-9

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks

through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Second Reading
Revelation 21: 1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Gospel Reading
John 11: 32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?' Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he

has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Lord,
we can so often remember the Christians
who moved mountains,
by earthly standards,
but please help us to pray and remember those
who fulfilled their missional calling
behind the scenes.
We have been blessed
by such a long history of the church,
that many can go unforgotten.
Please help us to learn from the lives of those
who didn't earn much spotlight.
Let us glean from their humility and servitude.
After all, you humbled yourself,
even to the most shameful death that existed
during your time, the cross.
May we be more like these saints,
and more like you, every day.
Amen

Witney & West Oxfordshire Foodbank

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

November

1 Milk 2 Coffee 3 Biscuits 4 Tea Bags 5 Instant Noodles 6 Fruit & Veg 7 Baked Beans 8 Canned Tomatoes 9 Canned Fruit 10 Soft Drinks 11 Long Life Milk 12 Soup 13 Pasta 14 Peanut Butter 15 Jam 16 Jam 17 Jam 18 Jam 19 Jam 20 Jam 21 Jam 22 Jam 23 Jam 24 Jam 25 Jam

Add 1 item into a box everyday and donate at the end of the month! Thank you for your generosity!

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Witney & West Oxfordshire Foodbank
need your help

A reverse advent calendar works in the same way as a Christmas Advent calendar, but instead of getting a chocolate or present each day, you put an item into a box that we can use in one of our food parcels, and then at the end of the 25 days, you donate the box to the Foodbank!

To get your donations to the families in need in time for Christmas, we need to receive them in good time, which is why we do the advent calendar in November.

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