

This week's services



Sunday 15th May

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Finstock**
10.30am, Morning Light,
non-Eucharistic Family Service, **Leaffield**

Friday 20th May

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 22nd May

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Finstock**
Benefice Service

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday Luke 4: 38-end

Tuesday Luke 5: 1-11

Wednesday Luke 5: 12-26

Thursday Luke 5: 27-end

Friday Luke 6: 1-11

Saturday Luke 6: 12-26

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 James', Ramsden.

Please pray for Paul Mansell & Gail Ward,
Church Warden Roz Danks and
Assistant Church Warden Alan Lee.



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PEW SHEET



15th May 2022
5th Sunday of Easter

Please take this pew sheet with you when you leave.

Benefice website:

<http://www.forestedgebenefice.co.uk>

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The Collect



Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Acts 11: 1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has

ever entered my mouth.” But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, “Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.” And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

Gospel Reading ***John 13: 31-35***

When he had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’

An evening with Bishop Steven

Thursday 19th May

7:30pm

St Mary Magdalene Church,

Woodstock

All welcome

**We publish the banns of marriage (3)
between:**

Esme Gardner and Luke Mason
To be married on 10th July 2022
at St Mary’s, Cogges

CRAG Café

Sunday 22nd & Saturday 28th May

The CRAG Café is back!

Come and have something to eat and drink
whilst enjoying Artweeks in Charlbury.

Everything homemade!

Coffee & Cake all day

Indian inspired veggie lunch from 12.30
onwards

CHARLBURY REFUGEE ACTION GROUP

John Baptist De La Salle was declared the Patron Saint of teachers on this day in 1950. 300 years ago, John Baptist De La Salle encouraged teachers to look upon their students as individuals, rather than as a group. He talked of people needing to “touch hearts”. “Touching hearts” is about acknowledging and relating with people as individuals - helping each person feel that they are noticed and matter, and are significant and special. A personal approach or reaction can make all the difference to an individual, showing that someone is “bothered enough” to care. Someone today can be made to feel “worthwhile” if I call them by their name. I can show human warmth and concern today if I acknowledge individuals with eye-contact, a nod, a smile, or a word. I can “touch someone’s heart” if I set out to remember what the person says or does. At another time I can repeat those personal details, showing that someone cares enough about them to remember. I can build up people today if I help them to experience success or meaning in their lives, and feel good about themselves. I can help raise someone’s self-esteem today if I show that I respect and appreciate that individual and bear in mind their own special circumstances. Someone today can feel valued if I invite them to become part of conversation, to become part of what is going on; setting out to make sure people feel included rather than excluded. I can “touch hearts” today if I compliment individuals.

Loving Lord,

**inspire me to bring out the best in others
and “touch hearts” by being welcoming
and generous and always positive in attitude,
showing individuals that they matter
and are important.**

**May those who are part of my life this day
treat me in the same way as I treat them.**

Amen