

This week's services



Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday
10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Ramsden
6.00pm, Evening Prayer, Leafield

Wednesday 13th March
7.30pm, Lent Group, Ramsden

Friday 15th March
6.30pm, Evening Prayer, Wilcote

Sunday 17th March
10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock



These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>Hebrews 9: 1-14</i>
Tuesday	<i>Hebrews 9: 15-end</i>
Wednesday	<i>Hebrews 10: 1-18</i>
Thursday	<i>Hebrews 10: 19-25</i>
Friday	<i>Hebrews 10: 26-end</i>
Saturday	<i>Hebrews 11: 1-16</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.



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PEW SHEET



10th March 2024
4th Sunday of Lent
Mothering Sunday

Please take this pew sheet with you when you leave.

Benefice website:

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

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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 **John 19: 25b-27**

And that is what the soldiers did. Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Lent Groups 2024

The way of love

Come and See is a series of daily emails and a short video to watch each Sunday during Lent.

This year we're exploring how each of us is called into a deep relationship of love with God, and what it means to love others well.

Whether you're exploring faith for the first time or have been coming to church for many years, *Come and See* offers life-giving reflections before the busyness of each day begins.

Thousands of people take part in *Come and See* each year. Join us and others this Lent. Find out more online.
oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see

St James' Church, Ramsden
Ash Wednesday Service:
Wednesday 14th Feb at 7:30pm.
The Lent Group then meets on:
Wednesday 21st and 28th Feb,
6th, 13th and 20th March.
All meetings begin at 7:30pm.

**COME
AND
SEE**

We publish the banns of marriage (2) between:

Lucy Madeleine Touche
and Giles Patrick Newton Skrine
to be married on 1st June 2024
at St James', Ramsden
and

Abigail Xanthe Cooper
and Harry Sebastian John Poole
to be married on 21st June 2024
at St James', Ramsden





Three Organ Recitals

TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE RESTORATION OF
THE ORGAN IN ST. JAMES' CHURCH, RAMSDEN

~ RECITAL I ~

Saturday 20th January 2024, 2.30pm
Organist – Christopher Fletcher-Campbell
'A selection of English organ music through the centuries'

~ RECITAL II ~

Saturday 17th February 2024, 2.30pm
Organist – Malcolm Pearce
'Wesley, Stainer and Elgar - music from the organ-builder's age'

~ RECITAL III ~

Saturday 16th March 2024, 2.30pm
Organist Sarah Lister with Meryl Davies, Soprano
'A range of arias from Baroque to contemporary'

£10 per recital or £25 if attending all three. Tea and coffee after each recital.
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