This week's services



Sunday 14th April

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Ramsden 6.00pm, Evening Prayer, Leafield

Friday 19th April

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, Wilcote

Sunday 21st April

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, Finstock

Notices

Tuesday 16th April

Finstock APCM, 7.00pm, Holy Trinity, Finstock

Wednesday 17th April

Ramsden APCM, 7.00pm, St James', Ramsden

These Bible readings are designated for each day

 Monday
 Luke 1: 1-25

 Tuesday
 Luke 1: 26-38

 Wednesday
 Luke 1: 39-56

 Thursday
 Luke 1: 57-end

 Friday
 Luke 2: 1-20

 Saturday
 Luke 2: 21-40

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:

All Saints, Churchill.

Please pray David Salter, James Kennedy,
Martha Simpson & Matt White
and the Church Warden Claire Blackman.

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PEWSHEET



14th April 2024 3rd Sunday of Easter

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The Collect

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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 Acts 3: 12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus. whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know;

and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

Gospel Reading Luke 24: 36b-48

While they were talking about this. Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

We publish the banns of marriage (1) between:

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



One of the greatest ships of its time, the luxury liner the Titanic, set sail on its maiden vovage from Southampton to New York. Just before midnight on 14th April 1912, the Titanic struck an iceberg. The ship had been called "unsinkable" because it had been fitted with water tight compartments, but more of these were gashed by the iceberg than it was ever thought could be involved in an accident. The huge "unsinkable" ship sank within 3 hours. There were not enough lifeboats for everyone on board. Of about 2,200 people on board, over 1500 died. Investigations after the tragedy showed that the ship had been travelling too fast in an area that sometimes had icebergs. A nearby ship, the Californian, didn't go to the rescue because its radio-operator was off-duty and asleep and so missed the S.O.S. Morse Code messages. Many changes were made because of this tragedy: there was to be someone at the radio 24 hours a day whilst a ship was at sea; there were to be enough life boats on ships to hold everyone; there were to be lifeboat drills; and there was to be an international patrol to keep watch on icebergs. There have been several films about the sinking of the Titanic. Many think this is one of the worst disasters of all time, especially since human pride and many mistakes led up to the tragedy.

God,

I come before you humbled because I make so many mistakes. Each day I hope for a better start, yet I mess up again. Forgive me for the times I make choices that are not pleasing to you. Show me the areas of my life where there are offenses I don't even realise. You are a God of new beginnings. Thank you for the many times you have granted me a new start. As many times as you've pardoned me and let me start, grant me the grace to offer that same spirit of forgiveness and mercy to someone who has wronged me. Thank you for second chances, Lord.

May I not take them for granted.

Amen

