

This week's services



Sunday 17th November

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

Friday 22nd November

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 24th November

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

4.00pm, Leaffield Light, **Leafield**

Everyone welcome at all services!

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	<i>Revelation 10</i>
Tuesday	<i>Revelation 11: 1-14</i>
Wednesday	<i>Revelation 11: 15-end</i>
Thursday	<i>Revelation 12</i>
Friday	<i>Revelation 13: 1-10</i>
Saturday	<i>Revelation 13: 11-end</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 Peter's, Hook Norton.

Please pray for Janet Faull, Janet Collins & Keith Disney and the Church Wardens Judith Omerod & Alice Davies



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PEW SHEET



17th November 2024
2nd Sunday before Advent

Please take this pew sheet with you when you leave.

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

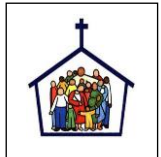
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The Collect



Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Daniel 12: 1-3

'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Second Reading
Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Gospel Reading
Mark 13: 1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Heavenly Father,
This time of year feels hard.
Harsher weather rolls in,
the days feel shorter with less light,
and it seems that loss and tough changes
are prevalent.
Help us not to grow idle, or weary,
or give up hope.
Let us work hard to bear fruit
and to bring glory to your kingdom.
We ask for the strength and guidance
to be diligent and good stewards
of our time and resources.
Let us not be like the son
who sleeps during the harvest,
but rather, we pray you would use us now,
keeping our eyes open and alert
to the work you have for us.
Bless the fruit of our labour
and help us to bring glory and honour
to you in all we do.
Amen.



Leaffield Light Presents

The
Coming
of Advent

A CANDLE-LIT,
PEACEFUL &
CONTEMPLATIVE
LAY-LED
SERVICE

ON: SUNDAY 24TH NOV
AT: 4PM

LEAFIELD CHURCH

EVERYONE VERY WELCOME