

This week's services



Sunday 28th September

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Leaffield**

6.00pm, Patronal Festival Celebration, **Leaffield**

Tuesday 30th September

8.00am, Morning Prayer, **Ramsden**

9.30am, Harvest Festival, **Leaffield**

with Leaffield School

Friday 3rd October

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 5th October

10.30am, Holy Communion, CW, **Leaffield**

These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	Acts 12: 1-11
Tuesday	Mark 11: 12-26
Wednesday	Mark 11: 27-end
Thursday	Mark 12: 1-12
Friday	Mark 12: 13-17
Saturday	Mark 12: 18-27

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:

Hook Norton Primary School.

Please pray for Nellie Crouch and Team



PEW SHEET



28th September 2025

Michael and All Angels

15th Sunday after Trinity

Please take this pew sheet with you when you leave.

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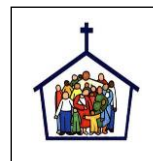
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The Collect



Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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

Genesis 28: 10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the

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God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, “Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!” And he was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.”

Second Reading
Revelation 12: 7-12

And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven proclaiming, “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath because he knows that his time is short!”

Gospel Reading
John 1: 47-end

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.”

Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

Michaelmas gales assail the waning year
and Michael's scale is true,
his blade is bright.
He strips dead leaves
and leaves the living clear to flourish
in the touch and reach of light.
Archangel bring your balance,
help me turn upon this turning world
with you
and dance in the Great Dance.
Draw near, help me discern and trace
the hidden grace in change and chance.
Angel of fire,
Love's fierce radiance,
drive through the deep
until the steep waves part.
Undo the dragon's sinuous influence
and pierce the clotted darkness of my heart.
Unchain the child you find there,
break the spell
and overthrow the tyrannies of hell.

Malcolm Guite

