

This week's services



Sunday 9th August

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

Friday 14th August

6.30pm, Evening Prayer, **Wilcote**

Sunday 16th August

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



These Bible readings are designated for each day

Monday	Acts 3: 11-end
Tuesday	Acts 4: 1-12
Wednesday	Acts 4: 13-31
Thursday	Acts 4: 32-5.11
Friday	Acts 5: 12-26
Saturday	Luke 11: 27-28

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



9th August 2026
10th Sunday after Trinity

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when you leave.

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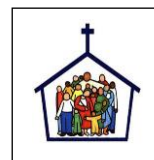
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The Collect



Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your
humble servants; and that they
may obtain their petitions make them to
ask such things as shall please you;
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 Kings 19: 9-18

At that place he came to a cave, and spent
the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him,
saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?'
He answered, 'I have been very zealous for
the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites
have forsaken your covenant, thrown down
your altars, and killed your prophets with
the sword. I alone am left, and they are
seeking my life, to take it away.' He said,
'Go out and stand on the mountain before
the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.'
Now there was a great wind, so strong that
it was splitting mountains and breaking
rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the
Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind
an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the

earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

Second Reading **Romans 10: 5-15**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in

one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Gospel Reading **Matthew 14: 22-33**

And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'



**We publish the banns of marriage (2)
between:**

Chloe Bennett and Zebb Guy
to be married on 2nd October 2026
at St John the Baptist Church, Elmore.

