

## Services and Meetings this week

St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church are open weekdays between 10 – 4pm

### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Office reopens**

8.45am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's  
7.00pm North Nibley PCC meeting

### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

10 – 4pm Private Prayer at St. Mary's  
10 – 4pm Private Prayer at St. Martin's  
7.00pm Wotton PCC Meeting

### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

### **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

8.45am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

2.00pm Baptism Preparation at St. Martin's  
7.00pm Bristol Ensemble Concert at St. Mary's

### **Next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

#### Principal Readings:

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-9a*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: James 3: 1-12*

*Gospel: Mark 8: 27-end*

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's  
4.00pm Celebrate! Worship for all (including baptism) at St. Mary's

#### **Clergy:**

Revd Rachel Cook 01453 842 175 (Day off Friday)  
Revd Peter Marsh 01453 547 521 (Usual day off Tues. Do not phone after 6pm)  
Revd Morag Langley 07411 207720 (usual day off Tuesday)

#### **Vicar's Secretary & Benefice Administrator:**

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#### **Alderley (including Tresham) Churchwardens:**

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St Mary's Wotton

**Pew Sheet Notices** – if you would like anything to be added to the pew sheet notices, please ensure they are sent to the office by the end of Wednesday (for the coming Sunday). I will do my best to fit them in.

## **Cookie's Corner**

Hello all.

Don't forget that within the Benefice, there are a variety of celebration activities happening this coming weekend – from walks and bike rides, to parachuting teddies and my installation service. I do hope you can come to something during the weekend – I have ordered good weather!!

Be blessed all.

Cookie

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## Tyndale



## Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth  
North Nibley  
Alderley (including Tresham)

Services this Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> September  
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

### Services today:

11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's  
3.00pm Revd Rachel Cook Licencing Service at St. Mary's

### Collect:

Almighty God,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in 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.

or

Merciful God,  
your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:  
may we trust in your mercy  
and know your love,  
rejoicing in the righteousness  
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer:

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Principal Readings:**

### **First Reading:** *Isaiah 35: 4-7a*

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

‘Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.’

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.  
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** *James 2:1-10, 14-17*

My brothers & sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings & in fine clothes comes into your assembly, & if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes & say, ‘Have a seat here, please’, while to the one who is poor you say, ‘Stand there’, or, ‘Sit at my feet’, have you not made distinctions among yourselves, & become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill’, and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

### **Gospel:** *Mark 7: 24-end*

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, ‘Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.’ But she answered him, ‘Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.’ Then he said to her, ‘For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.’ So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be opened.’ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They

were astounded beyond measure, saying, ‘He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.’

## **For your prayers:**

### ***For the family and friends of:***

Evelyn Linge whose funeral was on 26<sup>th</sup> August.

John Flower who died on 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Elizabeth Young who died recently

Olive Reynold who died on 29<sup>th</sup> August

This month we pray for the leaders and congregation of the Quakers.

## **Prayer Ministry**

There is a group of people who will pray for you. To request prayer for yourself or others, please ring Morag on 07411 207720.

## **\*\*\*\*\*Notices\*\*\*\*\***

**This coming weekend** - Keep the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> September free. There will be lovely things to do across the Benefice for all ages over the weekend, culminating in Cookie’s Installation on Sunday afternoon.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>:** 4 – 6pm: North Nibley – Music & bells. Cream tea on North Nibley Playing Field. Bring a chair or a rug

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>:** 10 – 12pm: St. Mary’s Coffee Morning with music accompaniment

10am – Walk from Tresham to Alderley. Meet at Well Hill.

Light refreshments available at Alderley.

2pm – Walk (2pm from St. Mary’s) or bike ride (2.30pm from Conyngres) from Wotton to North Nibley (return!).

Refreshments will be available.

5.30pm onwards – Family Event at St. Mary’s. Food, drinks, music from Round the Edge Choir and parachuting teddies. Bring your own teddy! It can be small, it can be big (upto about 600g) as they have a parachute to fit!

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>:** 11.15am Holy Communion at Alderley.

3pm: Installation and Induction of Revd Rachel Cook with Archdeacon Hilary. Refreshments afterwards.

When St. Mary’s is open, please do come and see displays from the other churches in Wotton and primary school children’s artwork.

**Benefice Summer Office Hours** – the office is closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and will reopen again on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September with “normal” working hours.

**Many Thanks** - We were delighted to catch up with so many people last week and we were absolutely overwhelmed and touched by the very generous gifts we were given. Thank you all so much. The Book of Memories is so wonderful. Especial thanks to Hil and Sharon for the conception and compilation, but that goes to everyone for all your contributions too! We complete on our house on September 10<sup>th</sup> and then the work begins. Surprise, surprise, we intend to rip it about a bit in order to future-proof it. The theatre vouchers and wine will be a treat when renovations get on top of us and the cheque will be used to remodel the front garden border. Lyra is delighted that the basket of flowers contains her favourite colours, pink and purple. You are sure to see us about in Wotton occasionally and we keep an open house here in Cheltenham. Our new home will be very conveniently placed for the hospital. We know parking can be a nightmare. Kate will always have our details should you want to get in touch.

Many thanks again for your thoughtfulness. It was a privilege for us to be a part of St Mary’s for 25 years.

Love and God bless, Sue and Tim