

Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 4pm
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 3pm.

Monday 2nd January – Bank Holiday - Office Closed

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 3rd January – Office Closed

Wednesday 4th January – Office Open

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee & Conversation after Service

Thursday 5th January – Epiphany - Office Open

Friday 6th January – Office open

Saturday 7th January

11.00am Baptism of Sarah at St. Mary's

Sunday 8th January – Epiphany

9.30am Epiphany Non Communion Service at St. Mary's

9.30am Communion Service at St. Martin's

6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1st Reading: Isaiah 60: 1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3: 1-12

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

Clergy:

Rev Lesley Hewish 07483 146531 / vicar@tyndalebenefice.co.uk

Lesley is away from Tuesday 3rd Jan, back at work on Wed 11th Jan

Rev Peter Marsh 01453 547521 (usual day off Tuesday. Do not
phone after 6pm)

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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.

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 1st January 2023

2nd Sunday of Christmas

New Year's Day

Services

11.00am New Year's Day Communion at St. Mary's

11.00am Service of Light non communion at St. Martin's

No Service at Tresham Church

Collect

Almighty God,

in the birth of your Son

you have poured on us the new light of your incarnate Word,

and shown us the fullness of your love:

help us to walk in his light and dwell in his love

that we may know the fullness of his joy;

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

or

God our Father,

in love you sent your Son

that the world may have life:

lead us to seek him among the outcast

and to find him in those in need,

for Jesus Christ's sake.

Post Communion Prayer

All praise to you,

almighty God and heavenly king,

who sent your Son into the world

to take our nature upon him

and to be born of a pure virgin:

grant that, as we are born again in him,

so he may continually dwell in us

and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven,

now and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia

The word became flesh and dwelt among us,

and we have seen his glory.

All: Alleluia

Principal Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 63: 7-9

I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord,
the praiseworthy acts of the Lord,
because of all that the Lord has done for us,
and the great favour to the house of Israel
that he has shown them according to his mercy,
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.
For he said, 'Surely they are my people,
children who will not deal falsely';
and he became their saviour
in all their distress.
It was no messenger or angel
but his presence that saved them;
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

2nd Reading – Hebrews 2: 10-end

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,
'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'
And again,
'I will put my trust in him.'
And again,
'Here am I and the children whom God has given me.'
Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel Readings – Matthew 2: 13-end

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'
When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:
'A voice was heard in Ramah,
wailing and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'
When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

In December, we pray for Wotton United Church.

Prayer Ministry

There is a group of people who will pray for you. To request prayer for yourself or others, please ring the Office on 01453 842175

******* NOTICES *******

New Years Day Services – New Years Day 2023 falls on a Sunday. Both the services at St. Mary's and St. Martin's will be starting at 11am. There is no service at Tresham Church.

Eco Church update - In the early part of next year the Eco team are working on planting a number of small flowering bushes in the area of the churchyard which has recently been cleared for this purpose.

The bushes recommended to us by the Wotton Area Action Network (see the WACAN biodiversity plan on the Eco Church notice board) are Lilac, Buddleia, Guelder Rose Wayfaring Tree and Rosemary.

If you have any of these trees in your own garden and you are good at taking cuttings, we would love you to propagate cuttings for us.

If you can help please speak to Alan or a member of the Eco Church team – they would love to hear from you.

Wednesday 4th January The Mothers' Union AGM - will be held at 2.15 in the Catherine Chapel at St Mary's. The short business section will be followed by a talk by Mary Downs on Oberammergau. All welcome.

Office Opening Hours over Christmas – The Benefice office will reopen on Wednesday 4th January. If anything is required, please talk to your churchwarden or ring **07483 146531** for Lesley.

Message from Morag – Dear Friends, Thank you very much for your generous gift to me. It was a lovely surprise to open the Christmas card and discover your gift and thanks. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

May God bless you as you move forward together with Lesley and her team. Morag.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!