

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 9th January

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 10th January

2.30pm Reflection Group at St. Mary's

Wednesday 11th January

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee & Conversation after Service
7.30pm Wotton PCC at St. Mary's

Thursday 12th January – Office Closed

Friday 13th January

Saturday 14th January

10.30am Interment at St. Mary's

Sunday 15th January – 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

9.30am Non Communion Service at St. Martin's
9.30am Communion Service at St. Mary's
11.15am Communion at St. Kenelm's
4.00pm Celebrate! Hope & Healing at St. Mary's

Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1st Reading: Isaiah 49: 1-7

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9

Gospel: John 1: 29-42

Clergy:

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

Lesley is back at work on Wed 11th Jan

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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 8th January 2023
Epiphany

Services

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

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
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

Creator of the heavens,
who led the Magi by a star
to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us,
that we may find our journey's end
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in your Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and
believed in throughout the world.

All: Alleluia

Principal Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 60: 1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

2nd Reading – Ephesians 3: 1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.
Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Gospel Readings – Matthew 2: 1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:
"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."'
Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the

king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Mavis Allies whose funeral is on 19th January at 1.30pm at St. Martin's

Sarah who is getting baptised on Saturday 7th January at St. Mary's

In January 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 *******

The Christingle Service at St Martin's - raised £315 for The Children's Society and a further £125 was raised by the Community Choir's Carol Singing around the village.

St Martin's - The Children Society Home Collection Boxes are due for opening during January.

Please bring yours to church on Sunday morning or contact Sue Devine to arrange collection: 01453 543748
Many thanks!

The Christingle Services at St. Mary's - To everyone who volunteered, from making 500 Christingles to helping at the Christingle services, thank you so much
Over 800 people came to both services and so far £1000 has been raised for the Children's Society.

Reflection Group - Are you free on Tuesday 10th January, 2.30 to 4 pm, for bible readings, reflections, music and prayers, followed by tea and cakes?
Join us at St Mary's and enjoy this special time together.

St. Mary's 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.