

## Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 4pm  
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 6pm.

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

10.30am Probus visit to St. Mary's

### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

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

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April**

11.00am Interment of ashes at St. Mary's – Elaine Vizard  
12.15pm Funeral for Hilda Swadling at Westerleigh  
6.15pm Choir Practise at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Coffee morning & box opening for Children's Society at St. Mary's  
4.00pm Memorial Service for Roger Davis at St. Mary's

### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter**

11.00am Benefice Communion at St. Martin's

#### Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 2: 42-end

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 2: 19-end

Gospel: John 10: 1-10

#### Clergy:

Rev Lesley Hewish Normal day off – Friday & last Thursday of the month vicar@tyndalebenefice.co.uk

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

Rev Canon Jane Kenchington 07779 991 760 / [janekenchington@gmail.com](mailto:janekenchington@gmail.com) (Part-time)

Rev Sue Phillipson-Masters 01454 600674 / [suepm@sky.com](mailto:suepm@sky.com)

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

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#### **Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth Churchwardens:**

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#### **Assist. Director of Music:**

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Mrs Kay Pettifer 01453 843838

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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.

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Benefice

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

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

#### Services

9.30am Holy Communion service at St. Martin's

9.30am Non communion Service at St. Mary's

6.00pm Choral Evensong St. Mary's

#### Collect

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and 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

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

#### Post Communion Prayer

Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his disciples  
in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;  
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

**All: Alleluia.**

**Principal Readings** – as taken from the Lectionary

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** – *Acts 2: 14a, 36-41*

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: ‘Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.’

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, ‘Brothers, what should we do?’ Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.’ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, ‘Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.’ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** – *1 Peter 1: 17-23*

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

**Gospel** - *Luke 24: 13-35*

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, ‘What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?’ They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, ‘Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?’ He asked them, ‘What things?’ They replied, ‘The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.’ Then he said to them, ‘Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?’ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’ So he went in to stay with

them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?’ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, ‘The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!’ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**For your prayers:**

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

Hilda Swadling whose funeral is at Westerleigh Crematorium on Fri 28<sup>th</sup> April at 12.15pm

Elaine Vizard whose ashes are being interred at St. Mary’s on Fri 28<sup>th</sup> April

Joan Heaven who died on 5<sup>th</sup> April

**Prayer Chain/Ministry** - There is a group of people who will pray for you. To request prayer contact Joan Deveney (01453 844370) or Pat Forster (01453 842557). The Prayer Chain operates for a fortnight, unless otherwise requested.

*In April, St. Mary’s is prayed for by the other town churches.*

**\*\*\*\*\* NOTICES \*\*\*\*\***

**Revision of the Church Roll will take place  
between 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April**

**If your name is not** on the current Roll, displayed in the church porch, you are invited to complete an application form (available at the back of church or from the Parish Office). Please return in the box provided.

Graham Smith, Electoral Roll Officer

**St. Mary’s Children Society Boxes** – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April 10am – 12pm, a coffee morning & opening of the boxes, held in the church. All welcome.

**St. Mary’s 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 2pm – relaxed concert** (you don’t have to sit still!) with Jacqueline & Patsy (piano and Saxophone). Tickets from Cotswold Book Room

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April** – Benefice Communion Service at St. Martin’s. If anyone needs a lift to North Nibley, let the office know.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May** – 11am Community Coronation Service at St. Mary’s – Big Sing. What is your favourite hymn and why? Sing your favourite hymns together and celebrate this significant event in our history as a community. Please let the office know if your group/ organisation would like a hymn and/or can attend.