

## 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 17<sup>th</sup> July**

9.30am Visiting Morning Choir at St. Mary's  
10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

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

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

10.00am Blue Coat Leavers service at St. Mary's  
11.00am North Nibley Primary Leavers service at St. Martin's  
1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

11.30am Memorial Service for Hilda Swadling at St. Martin's  
7.30pm Moonrakers Concert at St. Mary's

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's  
6.00pm Choral Evening – Love – at St. Mary's

### Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading:* Isaiah 44: 6-8

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:* Romans 8: 12-25

*Gospel:* Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

### **Clergy:**

Rev Lesley Hewish      Away on retreat all week  
   [vicar@tyndalebenefice.co.uk](mailto:vicar@tyndalebenefice.co.uk) / 07827 418188  
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:**

Miss Hilary Varlow      07795 515219

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

Mrs Kay Pettifer      07850 345978  
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[www.northnibleychurch.uk](http://www.northnibleychurch.uk)

**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 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
Sixth Sunday of Trinity

### Services

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's  
No service at St. Kenelm's today  
4.00pm Celebrate! Wandering & Wondering at St. Mary's

### Collect

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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 God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.  
Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the  
power to save your souls.  
**All: Alleluia.**

## **Principal Readings**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 55: 10-13**

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

For you shall go out in joy,  
and be led back in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall burst into song,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,  
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Romans 8: 1-11**

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

### **Gospel Reading – Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!' 'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands

it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

## **For your prayers:**

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

Janet Wakefield whose funeral service was on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July at St. Mary's

John Ramsdale whose funeral service was on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July at St. Mary's

**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 July, we pray for The United Church.*

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

## **This Saturday**

**St. Mary's Church Fete – starts at 10.30am on the Church driveway. It will go ahead whatever the weather. Pony to pat, fire-engine, bottle stall, raffle, tower tours, Pimms stall, tea and cake, brass rubbing**

**Moonrakers Concert** on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7.30pm. Promises to be a very good evening. Tickets from Cotswold Book Room.

**Churches Together in Wotton Bibles for Schools** – if anyone would like to donate to help pay for the bibles which are given to all Year 6 children leaving our 3 local primary schools, please put the money in the envelopes that are at the back of the church. Thank you.

**Celebrate! Wandering and Wondering** – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 4pm. Come and do a sheep's trail around the churchyard. All welcome.

**Heartfelt thanks** – Thank you for all the lovely cards and messages that I've had over the last few weeks, they are all very much appreciated. Best wishes to you all, *John (Trudy's partner)*

**Local visiting morning choir** will be at St. Mary's practising on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July from 9.30am until 11am. If anyone would like to sit and listen, they are more than happy for you to do so (they stress that it is a practise session, not a concert!)

**Office Hours during school holidays** – the office will be open on the following days.

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Back to "normal" days from w/c 11<sup>th</sup> September

Closed completely w/c 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> August