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 24th July

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 25th July - Office Open

Wednesday 26th July

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

Thursday 27th July - Office Open

Friday 28th July

6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 29th July

11.30am Wedding rehearsal at St. Mary's 1.00pm Tea Cruise with the Willow Trust

Sunday 30th July – 8th Sunday after Trinity

11.00am Benefice Communion Service at St. Kenelm's with Archdeacon Hilary

Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1st Reading: 1 Kings3: 5-12 2nd Reading: Romans 8: 26-end Gospel: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

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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 23rd July 2023 Seventh Sunday of Trinity

Services

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

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced for you.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings

1st Reading – Isaiah 44: 6-8

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;

besides me there is no god.

Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,

let them declare and set it forth before me.

Who has announced from of old the things to come?

Let them tell us what is yet to be.

Do not fear, or be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

You are my witnesses!

Is there any god besides me?

There is no other rock; I know not one.

2nd Reading – Romans 8: 12-25

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

John Ramsdale whose funeral service was on Thursday 13th 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 *****

Benefice service 30th July 11am – ALL are welcome at this Benefice service being taken by Archdeacon Hilary. Please note there are no toilet facilities at St. Kenelm's Parking is available at Alderley House and Old Rosehill.

St Mary's Church Fête gratefully acknowledges the generous support of: The Ozleworth Park Estate; Pass & Totterdell Heating & Plumbing; Rowan Dartington Stockbrokers; Robinson's Florist; Relish Delicatessen; Bear Street Garage (Gary Peake); The Market Place; Wotton Round Table; Good Food Greengrocer; Oh-So-Clean; Wotton Co-Op; Tesco; Alan Young Bldr; Wotton Coffee Shop

Teresa would like to thank all that helped provide cake, scones and the other delicious delights for the teas. Thankyou also to all the helpers. The stall raised over £600 (and still counting) – which is a lot of tea and cake!

Moonrakers Concert on Saturday 22nd 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.

We need your help - Do you have time to clean an area of St Mary's Church every two weeks on a Friday? Could you help once a month to clean the Church loos or the Servery?

Would you like to clean the brass once a year? Contact Kate Tutty on 844371 for more information.



Baptist Church Holiday Club – starting on Monday 24th July 10am

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

Tuesday 25th July, Thursday 27th July Tuesday 1st August, Thursday 3rd August Wednesday 9th August, Thursday 10th August Tuesday 29th August, Thursday 31st August Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th, Friday 8th September Back to "normal" days from w/c 11th September Closed completely w/c 14th & 21st August