

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 2nd October

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 3rd October

Wednesday 4th October

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee & Conversation after Service
2.15pm Mother's Union – MAF – Roger Wyse

Thursday 5th October

Friday 6th October

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 7th October

Sunday 8th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
11.00am Eco Church Harvest Festival at St. Mary's followed by
bring & share lunch
11.00am Baptism Service for Paul at St. Martin's
6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1st Reading: Isaiah 5: 1-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 3: 4b-14

Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-end

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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.

Red Settee Dates - If you feel you haven't had to chance to catch up with your vicar and would like to join me on my red settee in the parish office, then please book a time with Kate C, I am keeping the diary clear on the following dates between 2-5pm weds October 11th, weds 18th Oct and weds 25th Oct

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Sunday 1st October 2023
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Family service at St. Martin's
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
11.15am Holy Communion at Tresham Church

Collect

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you 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

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord.
I know them, and they follow me.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings

1st Reading – Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-end

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

2nd Reading – Philippians 2: 1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 21: 23-32

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come

from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Jackie Sims whose memorial service is at St. Mary's on Monday 9th October at 12.30pm

Iris Miles whose funeral service was at St. Nicholas in Ozleworth on 26th September

Florence who was baptised on Saturday 23rd September at St. Kenelm'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 October, the community are praying for St. Mary's

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

Harvest Festival at Nibley - Saturday 30th 7pm **Harvest Supper/Curry Night** fund raising for Christian Aid at North Nibley Village Hall - bookings via Sue Devine 01453 543748 or suedevice@hotmail.com by 24th September, please.

The Mothers' Union - will meet in the church on Wednesday 4th October at 2.15. Roger Wyse will be speaking on The Mission Aviation Fellowship. Everybody welcome

Harvest Festival at St. Mary's – Sunday 8th October. Service starts at **11am** and will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch.

St. Mary's Reflection Group – meet 10th October at 2.30pm in the Katherine Chapel theme is "Lost and Found" – all welcome

Volunteers to help with "Being Well Day" in St Mary's, Sat 28th Oct – It's going to be a big event for our community.

There is a separate notice in the porch giving more details. I am looking for 20+ volunteers to help run the day. We will need a rota of helpers to serve light refreshments between 10-3. I also need a rota of helpers to be Welcomer's as people arrive giving out information about what is available in and around the church throughout the day. There are also a few stations in the church that will require helpers too. Contact me by email on vicar@tyndalebenefice.co.uk . I will then arrange a meeting early in October to explain more detail.

St. Mary's 1st Sunday of the month Communion Service – starting in November, we are trialling having the service half an hour later, starting at **10am**. Please pass the word around especially to anyone you know who doesn't attend due it being at 9.30am. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday's of the month will remain at 9.30am