#### Services and Meetings this week

St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church are open weekdays between 10 – 4pm

## Monday 26h July - Benefice Office Closed

Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

# Tuesday 27th July

## Wednesday 28th July - Benefice Office Closed

10 – 4pm Private Prayer at St. Mary's

10 – 4pm Private Prayer at St. Martin's

#### Thursday 29th July

## Friday 30th July – Benefice Office Closed

8.45 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

#### Saturday 31st July

# Next Sunday 1st August – 9th Sunday after Trinity

Principal Readings:

1st Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-16

Gospel: John 6: 24-35

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

No 4pm Celebrate at St. Mary's

7.30 Sakbut concert at St. Martin's (see notices for ticket info)

Clergy:

Revd Rachel Cook 01453 842 175 (usual day off Fri) Revd Peter Marsh 01453 547 521 (not after 6.00pm) 07411 207720 (usual day off Tue) Revd Morag Langley

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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.

## Cookie's Corner

Hello everyone,

Moving forward out of lockdown - what does this mean for the Benefice Churches?

The ministry team, after a great amount of debate, research and prayer have decided that no major changes will happen until after the summer - and that will depend on what the covid case levels are.

What this means for services is that, for the time being, we will continue to 'track and trace' for your safety.

There will be no communal singing indoors – but choirs/selected individuals or groups may sing.

We will not be re-introducing the 'common cup' into communion. We will remain in our seats to receive communion and there will be no getting up and sharing peace. It will be shared insitu.

Some of you may wish to unmask – that is ok. The clergy will mask when preparing communion and I would ask you to respect those in the congregation who remain masked throughout the service. People will still want their 'space' even though things are changing.

The Church of England Guidelines can be found here for further information:

https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-07/COVID%2019%20Guidance%20from%20the%2019th%20July%20202

Keep praying. Slowly now will hopefully mean a better, long-term outcome.

Be blessed all.

Cookie

# **Tyndale**



## Benefice

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

Services this Sunday, 25th July 2021 Eighth Sunday after Trinity

## **Services today:**

9.30 Holy Communion at St. Mary's There is NO evensong at St. Mary's this evening

## **Collect:**

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Post Communion Prayer:**

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit:

may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

## **Principal Readings:**

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-end

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left." 'He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 2: 11-end

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **Gospel:** John 6: 1-21

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

## For your prayers:

For those who have died and their families:

Edward Quaterly (Daphne Parker's brother) who died recently.

This month we pray for the leaders and congregation of The United.

## **Prayer Ministry**

There is a group of people who will pray for you. To request prayer for yourself or others, please ring Morag on 07411 207720.

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*Notices\*\*\*\*\*

**Wotton APCM** - St Mary's Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28th July, in Church. It will start at 7:30pm with the Vestry Meeting and be followed by the APCM. We hope to see you there.

Can you offer a lift? – Would anyone be able to give a Tapscott Court resident a lift to St. Mary's church each Sunday? If you can please call Shirley on 844222

**Leading Worship Course -** The Diocese are running a short course in September/October which prepares lay people to lead worship & be valuable members of worship teams. If you think this may be for you, the clergy team are keen to encourage you. Please contact Cookie, Peter or Morag for a chat.

**Course Dates:** Wednesdays: 7:30pm - 9pm, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> September and 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021 & Saturday 9am - 1pm 16<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Venue: The Cooke Room, Discover DeCrypt, Gloucester

**Lone Workers** – A reminder about lone working practises. On entering the church, go with another, or lock yourself in. Always be aware of your exit points and don't put yourself at risk.

New Group for adults with learning disabilities – A new group is starting up at The Keepers for adults (18+ to any age) with learning disabilities. It will be 2 hours every other week. Start date to be confirmed. Please pass the word around. For more information, please contact the office on 842175.

**Morning Prayer** – is available at St. Mary's on Monday's and Friday's at 8.45am. It lasts around 20 minutes. All welcome.

**Celebrate! Services** – Celebrate services (as you know them!) will be taking a break until September. On 29<sup>th</sup> August there will be a Benefice Service at 4pm at St. Mary's.

**Benefice Summer Office Hours** – please note the office will be open limited hours during the school summer holidays. Mon 26<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 29<sup>th</sup>: 9.30am – 3.30pm Tues 4<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 6<sup>th</sup>: 9.30am – 3.30pm From Friday 7<sup>th</sup> until Tues 24<sup>th</sup> August (at 9.30am) office is closed.

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>: 9.30am – 3.30pm Tues 31<sup>st</sup> & Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept: 9.30am – 3.30pm Back to normal on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September!

**St. Martin's Sakbuts Concert** – 1<sup>st</sup> August 7.30pm in memory of Audrey Sewell. Places are limited. To book tickets contact emilywhite7676@hotmail.com

