

### Services and Meetings this week

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

#### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August – Benefice Office Closed**

8.45 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

#### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

#### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August - Benefice Office Closed**

10 – 4pm Private Prayer at St. Mary's

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

#### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

#### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August – Benefice Office Closed**

8.45 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

#### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

#### **Next Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

##### Principal Readings:

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Psalm 148

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 3: 15-17

4pm Benefice Thanksgiving Service at St. Mary's

##### **Clergy:**

Rev'd Rachel Cook 01453 842 175 (Away until 29<sup>th</sup> August)

Rev'd Peter Marsh 01453 547 521 (Usual day off Tues. Do not phone after 6pm))

Rev'd Morag Langley 07411 207720 (usual day off Tuesday)

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

Kate Cropper Office is closed until 24<sup>th</sup> August. Please contact your churchwarden for anything

[office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk](mailto:office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk)

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

Mrs Jacqueline Excell 07863 121613

Mr Douglas Hinton 07415 541 359

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

Miss Hilary Varlow 07795 515 219

##### **North Nibley Churchwarden:**

Mrs Wynne Holcombe 01453 542 091

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

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.

### **Cookie's Corner**

Hello all.

Over August, we, as clergy and admin try to take things a bit slower in order to re-charge our batteries and have our much needed holidays. We hope you will be able to do the same and we really hope that you will be able to join with us in our Thanksgiving service at the end of August and the following week for our Celebrate Tyndale festivities. Have a wonderful Summer!

Be blessed all.

Cookie

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## Tyndale



## Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Services this Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

### Services today:

9.30 Holy Communion at St. Mary's

### Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid  
and giving us those good things  
which we are not worthy to ask  
but through the merits and mediation  
of 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

God of constant mercy,  
who sent your Son to save us:  
remind us of your goodness,  
increase your grace within us,  
that our thankfulness may grow,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer:

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins  
and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Principal Readings:**

### **First Reading:** *Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18*

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'

Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** *Ephesians 6: 10-20*

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

### **Gospel:** *John 6: 56-69*

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do

you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

### **For your prayers:**

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

Evelyn Linge who died on 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

This month we pray for the leaders and congregation of Synwell Chapel.

### **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\*\*\*\*\***

**Dates for your Diary** - Keep the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> September free.

There will be lovely things to do across the Benefice for all ages over the weekend, culminating in Cookie's Installation on Sunday afternoon.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Afternoon/Evening: North Nibley – Music & bells

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>:** 10 – 12pm: St. Mary's Coffee Morning with music accompaniment

10am – Walk from Tresham to Alderley. Meet at Well Hill.

Light refreshments available at Alderley.

2pm – Walk or bike ride from St. Mary's to North Nibley (return!). Meet at St. Mary's. Refreshments will be available.

5.30pm onwards – Family Event at St. Mary's. Food, drinks, music from Round the Edge Choir and parachuting teddies.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>:** 11.15am Holy Communion at Alderley.

3pm: Installation and Induction of Revd Rachel Cook (Cookie to you and me!) with Archdeacon Hilary. Refreshments afterwards.

When St. Mary's is open, please do come and see displays from the other churches in Wotton and primary school children's artwork.

**Cakes please!** - As part of the Benefice Celebration weekend in September there will be a Coffee Morning in St Mary's on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> (10am – 12pm). A good number of cakes will be needed for this event and offers would be much appreciated. Please contact me if you are able to help with this. Dot Moss 844886

### **Book your seat at Cookie's Installation Service 5<sup>th</sup>**

**September 3<sup>pm</sup>** – If you would like to attend this service, please email the office ([office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk](mailto:office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk)) with how many places you would like. You can also phone and leave a message – please persist in leaving a message – I haven't got to grips with the new phone system yet, so you might not have a message to say I'm not there!

As it will be a busy service, we do need to limit the number of people attending, to ensure everyone is safe.

**Benefice Thanksgiving Service 29<sup>th</sup> August** – At 4pm, there will be a Benefice Thanksgiving Service held at St. Mary's. All are welcome. A thank you for all those who have been so wonderful over the last few years, including a big thank you to Revd John Evans and to Sue Plant.

This will be the only service in the Benefice on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

**More cake please!** – For the Benefice Thanksgiving service on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August, it would be nice to have a few cakes to offer as light refreshments. If you are able to let us have anything, please let the office know – 842175 / [office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk](mailto:office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk)

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