Services and Meetings this week

St. Mary's, St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open 10 – 4pm

Monday 4th October

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

Tuesday 5th October

Wednesday 6th October

No Holy Communion at St. Mary's this week

Thursday 7th October

Friday 8th October

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

10.00am Blue Coat School Harvest Festival Service

2.00pm Marjorie Malle funeral at St. Mary's

Saturday 9th October

Next Sunday 10th October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

Principal Readings:

1st Reading: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4: 12-end

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-31

9.30am Service of the Word at St. Mary's

9.30am Harvest at St. Martin's

Clergy:

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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.

Cookie is taking a 2 week break.

If you have anything urgent either contact the office or your churchwarden.

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Services this Sunday, 3rd October Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services today:

9.30am Harvest at St. Mary's 9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's with Baptism 11.15am Holy Communion at Tresham Church

Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer:

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

Principal Readings:

First Reading: Genesis 2: 18-24

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;

this one shall be called Woman,

for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

2nd Reading: *Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2: 5-12* **THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS**

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, 'What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet.'

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.'

Gospel: *Mark 10: 2-16*

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.'

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she

divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.'

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Olive Reynolds whose memorial service was on Saturday 25th September at St. Mary's

Stanley Pearce whose funeral service was on 30th September at St. Mary's

Doug Hobbs who died on 9^{th} September. Memorial service to be held at St.Mary's on Saturday 23^{rd} October at 2.30 pm - all welcome.

Marjorie Malle whose funeral is on Friday 8th October at 2pm.

This month the rest of the community are praying for us at St. Mary's

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*****

Harvest at St. Mary's – 3rd October is Harvest at St. Mary's. Please bring along NON perishable items to the 9.30am service. Financial donations are also, gratefully received. All items and money will go to our local foodbank.

10th October 9.30am North Nibley Churches Together Harvest Service with Holy Communion. - Bring gifts of tins and processed food for the Stroud District Foodbank. No perishable food, please! Contributions can also be left in the Church or the foyer of the Chapel until 15th October. 29th October - Harvest Supper/Curry Night by Takeaway/Home Delivery. Payment by donation to Christian Aid. All details and to book your meal contact suedevine@hotmail.com or phone 543748.

Foodbank Shopping list for Harvest: Tinned soup, tinned fish, steamed pudding, tinned tomatoes, tinned rice pudding, biscuits, tinned vegetables, instant potatoes, cereal bars, toiletries

Mothers' Union - The meeting on 6th October in the Parish Room will start at **2 pm_**when Sue Plant will update us on her life in Cheltenham.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart to the church family for your prayers and support throughout this difficult time. It has been so comforting.

Brian Reynolds

Open invitation to Benefice Media/Communications/IT meeting – ***note time has gone half an hour later *** 14th October at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church. Using "Refuel, inspire, share" as our guide, and following on from the consultation process, a meeting is being called to go through all the communications/media/IT that the Tyndale Benefice requires – this could be pew sheet, magazines, social media, sound systems, notice boards. If you are interested in helping with your ideas, please come along. Refreshments will be provided. Let the office know if you are coming.

St. Mary's will be opening everyday (from Mon 4th October) from 10 – 3pm. Please feel free to come in and sit in quiet prayer.