

### Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 4pm  
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 3pm

#### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's  
7.00pm North Nibley PCC meeting

#### **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
10.15am Coffee and chat after the Holy Communion Service

#### **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

#### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

#### **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

10.30am Baptism Preparation at St. Mary's

#### **Next Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Christ the King**

##### Principal Readings:

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13, 14*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 1: 4b-8*

*Gospel: John 18: 33-37*

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

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's



Tyndale



Benefice

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

Services this Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> November  
Second Sunday before Advent  
Remembrance Sunday

#### **Clergy:**

Revd Rachel Cook 01453 842 175 (Day off Friday)

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

Revd Morag Langley 07411 207720 (Usual day off Tues)

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

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Mrs Jacqueline Excell 07863 121613

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

Miss Hilary Varlow 07795 515219

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

Mrs Sue Devine 01453 543 748

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#### **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.

#### **Services today:**

9.30am Holy Communion for Remembrance at St. Martin's

10.45am At North Nibley War Memorial (in cemetery)

NO 9.30am service at St. Mary's

10.50am Gathering of act of Remembrance at Wotton War Memorial.

6.30pm Evensong at St. Mary's

#### **Collect:**

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed  
to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy,  
restrain us from excess  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **Post Communion Prayer:**

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last  
to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

#### **Evensong Readings**

Psalm 95

Daniel 3

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

## **Principal Readings:**

### **First Reading: *Daniel 12: 1-3***

‘At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25***

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, ‘he sat down at the right hand of God’, and since then has been waiting ‘until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.’ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

### **Gospel: *Mark 13: 1-8***

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’ Then Jesus asked him, ‘Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.’

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?’ Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

## **For your prayers:**

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

Elizabeth Warren who died on Sunday

Peggy Luker whose funeral was on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November at St. Mary’s.

This month we hold Wotton Baptist Church in our prayers.

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

**Remembrance Sunday St. Mary’s Service** – due to rising COVID numbers locally, it has been decided that we cannot gather in large numbers in St. Mary’s this year for

Remembrance. Therefore there will be NO Remembrance Service at St. Mary’s on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November. There will be some artwork done by local children displayed outside of The Baptist Church directly after the parade. St. Mary’s will be decorated on the inside for Remembrance – do pop in to have a look, there will be tea and coffee!

**Foodbank Christmas Shopping List** – the Foodbank is looking for the following items to pack into their Christmas Hampers to give out to local people who need them. Please bring them to the Benefice Office or your local church or drop off point (Co-op in Wotton) by the end of November.

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| <i>Sweets or Chocolates</i> | <i>Luxury crisps</i>        |
| <i>Christmas Cake</i>       | <i>Christmas Pudding</i>    |
| <i>Mince Pies</i>           | <i>Hot Chocolate</i>        |
| <i>Nuts</i>                 | <i>Savoury Crackers</i>     |
| <i>Gravy Granules</i>       | <i>Dried Stuffing</i>       |
| <i>Tinned Ham</i>           | <i>Christmas Preserves.</i> |

**Save the Date** – Viney Hill Social & Activities weekend has been set for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (from 5pm) until Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July (around 2pm). More details to follow – but the usual crate stacking, archery and raft building look like they will be back. Big proviso, the COVID figures will be looked at nearer the time to ensure everyone is safe.

## **Cookie’s Corner**

Hello everyone,

It has been said by some, that to wear a poppy symbolises a love of war, that it somehow glamorises it. I do not understand. I simply do not see it as such. To wear a Poppy signifies remembering the great loss suffered by so many, it remembers those who fought and died in order that we may have freedoms today. War is never glorious, and it is certainly not glamorous. I think the utter devastation of it is aptly shown in the final Blackadder series. Depicting ‘going over the wall’ the stupid but affable character Baldrick known for his ‘cunning plans’ states ‘I have a plan Lord Blackadder’ to which Blackadder replies “Ahh, is it a *cunning* plan Baldrick? Well, I’m afraid it will have to wait..” The irony is not lost as the team then proceed to go over into the death-trap known as no man’s land and thus into the onslaught of gun fire. There will be no opportunity for planning, cunning or otherwise for Baldrick and his pals. The scene finishes and the landscape changes from black and white – to colourful poppies.

I have seen ‘no man’s land’ and visited the sights of both the Great War and WW2. I have seen the places where poor scared and scarred so-called deserters were shot because we knew no better. There is nothing glamorous about war, there is nothing glamorous about the landscape which is scarred and dented or covered with rows and rows of white crosses alongside symbols from other faiths. And yet, determined and in spite of, the poppies **do** grow there, and they **do** bloom. Hope and beauty is found amidst the horror.

The bible talks about hope beyond war and suffering, about moving forward and looking to what is to come. Pain and suffering will cease. That does not mean it is correct that we forget the past, that we don’t remember those who died and are still dying or being affected by wars today. The simple flower does not symbolise ‘glory’ it symbolises lament, loss, pain and sacrifice of which we are all linked to in some way. Better times will come, but for now, this is why I will always wear my poppy proudly and give thanks for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

*At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them, we will remember them.*

*‘Cookie’*

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