

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 22nd November

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

Tuesday 23rd November – office closed

Wednesday 24th November

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee and chat after the Holy Communion Service

Thursday 25th November

Friday 26th November

9.00am Morning Prayer at St. Mary's

Saturday 27th November

Next Sunday 28th November – Christ the King

Principal Readings:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33: 14-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-end

Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36

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

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

6.00pm Advent Carols at St. Martin's

6.30pm Advent Carols at St. Mary'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 everyone,

This week it is 'Christ the King' in the Anglican calendar and it is actually the last Sunday before we enter the Advent period. Christ the King is about – as is expected – Christ being King. Advent is different. It is about that period of waiting and expecting before Christ is born on Christmas day.

Perhaps It seems a little topsy turvy to think of Christ as the King before we even celebrate his birthday. It is a bit like reading the end of a book before you have read the beginning (which I always do by the way) but I quite like the fact that we are looking at the Lord's kingship this week. I like it because it speaks into the fact that God is God and Christ is king before all time, before he was even born. It does in fact, speak into my oft' quoted favourite verse from Hebrews chapter 13 v 8: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."

And so, there it is, our God exists outside of time. Comforting to hear as we enter Advent season and very good to know when we think that plans aren't going as we would wish. God is in control, He always has been and the timing is his.

'Cookie'

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North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Services this Sunday, 21st November

Sunday next before Advent

Christ the King

Services today:

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

Collect:

Eternal Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:

keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit

and in the bond of peace,

and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

or

God the Father,

help us to hear the call of Christ the King

and to follow in his service,

whose kingdom has no end;

for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, one glory.

Post Communion Prayer:

Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of your faithful people;

that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,

may by you be plenteously rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Principal Readings:

First Reading: *Daniel 7: 9-10, 13, 14*

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgement,
and the books were opened. As I watched in the night
visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

2nd Reading: *Revelation 1: 4b-8*

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who
is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his
throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn
of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his
blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God
and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.
Amen.
Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.
So it is to be. Amen.
'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is
and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Gospel: *John 18: 33-37*

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus,
and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus
answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you
about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own
nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What
have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this
world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers
would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the
Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked
him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a
king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to
testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to
my voice.'

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Jean Lee who died recently
Ceridwen Holland who died at the end of October
Constance Brown who died on the 7th November

To Magda and Scott who got married at St. Mary's on 13th
November.

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*******

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.

Sweets or Chocolates

Luxury crisps

Christmas Cake

Christmas Pudding

Mince Pies

Hot Chocolate

Nuts

Savoury Crackers

Gravy Granules

Dried Stuffing

Tinned Ham

Christmas Preserves.

Save the Date – Viney Hill Social & Activities weekend has
been set for Friday 22nd July (from 5pm) until Sunday 24th 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.

St. Mary's Christmas Tree – after the 9.30am service on
Sunday 5th December, we would like the congregation to help
decorate the Christmas Tree. Stay for a cuppa & mince pie and
put a bauble or 2 onto the tree! Don't forget to wear your
Christmas jumper!

December 3rd: St Martin's will be having a stall at North
Nibley School's Christmas Fayre.
Christmassy crafts, sweets, puddings etc will be welcome (but
please, no recycled gifts!)
Please bring items along to one of our Advent services on 28th
November or contact Sue Devine 543748
suedevice@hotmail.com

Each year **Churches together in Wotton** hold a week of
prayer. It is exciting that it is St Mary's turn to lead this in
2022.

We are looking for a co-ordinator and volunteers to lead this
and liaise with the other churches. The Week is Tuesday 18th
to Tuesday 25th of January and there will be an event each
evening not necessarily run by us but coordinated by us.
Please contact Kate in the office if you feel you could be
involved in this asap.

**Christingle on Christmas Eve supporting The Children's
Society at St Mary's** - Another year with a difference! A
welcome for all to come and join in with a musical coffee
morning 10am-12pm. 10am- 3pm Making Christingles to take
home.

5pm-5.30pm Carol singing in the Churchyard. Hope to see you
there and please could you dust off your pastry cutters and help
us with providing mince pies for everyone.

All offers of help will be gratefully received by Mary K, Kate
T and Sharon D.

Thank you!