Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10-4 pm St. Mary's opens daily 9 am-3 pm. Please observe Covid safety notices

Monday 21st February

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 22nd February - Office Closed

2.30pm Co-Workers of Mother Teresa in Parish Room

Wednesday 23rd February

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

10.00am Coffee and chat after the communion service at St. Mary's

Thursday 24th February

Friday 25th February

Saturday 26th February

Sunday 27th February - Sunday next before Lent

Principal Readings:

1st Reading: Exodus 34: 29-end 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 3: 12-4: 2

Gospel: Luke 9: 28-36

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Martin's

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

6.30pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Clergy:

Revd Peter Marsh 01453 547521 (on leave until 23rd Feb)

Revd Morag Langley 07411 207720 (On Leave)

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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.

Benefice Eco Tips

Opt for local, in-season fruits and veggies as snacks instead of pre-packaged ones.

Cook with lids on pans, boil the water first in the kettle – its more efficient.

Don't buy individual servings of food. Buy larger servings and portion them out at home.

Lent Lectures

Will be taking place at the Baptist Church from 7.30pm every Wednesday during Lent starting with:

9th March Rev Dr Cate Williams

Environmental Engagement Officer in Gloucester Diocese Imagining and creating a new Green future

Tyndale



Benefice

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

> Sunday 20th February 2022 2nd Sunday before Lent

Services Today:

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's with Bishop Robert9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

Collect:

Almighty God,

you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

or

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,

by your gift

the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Principal Readings:

First Reading: Genesis 2: 4b-9, 15-end

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground—then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

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 & every bird of the air, & brought them to the man to see what he would call them; & whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, & to the birds of the air, & 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, & he slept; then he took one of his ribs & closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman & 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. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

2nd Reading: Revelation 4

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy,

the Lord God the Almighty,

who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God,

to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things,

and by your will they existed and were created.'

Gospel: *Luke 8: 22-25*

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Peter Finch who died on 14th February.

Daphne Parker whose funeral was on 17th Feb at St. Mary's.

In February we remember in our prayers the congregation of the Oliver Memorial 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 *****

Churches Together in Nibley – is organising a Ploughman's and Pancakes lunch. To be held in the Chapel on Tuesday 1st March. Tickets at £6 are available at North Nibley Village Hub.

Message from Joan Hobbs – On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to thank everyone for the support you have given us during Doug's long illness and subsequent death. Your letters of condolence and sympathy and your memoires of Doug over many years have been a great support to us all. They reminded us of all the people he had been involved with, particularly with the young choristers and later with his music teaching. He felt he had fulfilled many of his hopes in the past and was able to pass on his love of music to so many people. Doug loved Wotton and loved being able to support St. Mary's during his life. We would like to thank everyone who was involved in making the celebration of his life service such a joyous occasion. It was a joy to see so many friends present. Thank you too for your generous donations to the Myasthenia Gravis research. The sum of £600 was gratefully received by Myaware charity.

Looking ahead to Friday 4th March: World Day of Prayer - a service written by women for everyone to join worldwide: in North Nibley please come along to the Chapel at 11am. In Wotton please go along to the United Church at 10am.

Children's Society Box Opening Coffee Morning – Saturday 5th March 10 – 12pm. A coffee morning for the opening of the Children's Society house boxes will be held in Church. There will be refreshments & a stall so, even if you are not a box holder, please come along to enjoy a browse and have a chat. If you are unable to bring in your box on that morning and you would like it collected, please contact me to arrange a suitable time. Dot Moss Tel: 844886

Churches Together in Nibley are meeting at the Chapel on Mondays 7th – 28th March 7-8.30pm to discuss C.S.Lewis' Narnia books – just children's books or something deeper? Starting with:

7th March – The Magician's Nephew + The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe