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 28th March

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes7.00pm C.S Lewis Discussion at Nibley Chapel

Tuesday 29th March

2.30pm Co-workers of Mother Teresa in St. Mary's

Wednesday 30th March

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

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

7.30pm Lent Lecture at Baptist Church - Kevin Durrant

Thursday 31st March

Friday 1st April

12-2pm Soup Lunch in aid of The Leprosy Mission & MSF at **The**

BAPTIST CHURCH

2.00pm iSingPOP Blue Coat Service at St. Mary's 6.00pm iSingPOP Blue Coat Service at St. Mary's

Saturday 2nd April

$Sunday\ 3^{rd}\ April-Fifth\ Sunday\ of\ Lent$

Principal Readings:

1st Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21 2nd Reading: Philippians 3: 4b-14

Gospel: John 12: 1-8

9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's11.15am Holy Communion at Tresham Church4.00pm Celebrate! Baptism at St. Mary's

Clergy:

Revd Peter Marsh 01453 547521 (usual day off Tuesday. Do not

phone after 6pm)

Revd Morag Langley 07411 207720 (Usual day off Tuesday)

Vicar's Secretary & Benefice Administrator:

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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 LED light bulbs and remember to turn lights off when you don't need them.



Don't forget the clocks go forward on Sunday morning!



Tyndale



Benefice

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

> Sunday 27th March 2022 Mothering Sunday

Services Today

9.30am Service of the Word at St. Mary's9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

3.00pm Mothering Sunday Celebration for all at St. Martin's

6.30pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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 of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God,

as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal

help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choral Evensong Readings

Isaiah 40: 27-41: 13 2 Timothy 4: 1-18 Psalm 30

Principal Readings:

First Reading: 1 Samuel 1: 20-end

In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only-may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained & nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a threeyear-old bull, an ephah of flour, & a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; & the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, & they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.

2nd Reading: Colossians 3: 12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Gospel: John 19: 25b-27

And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Gordon Green whose funeral service was at St. Martin's on 23^{rd} March

Roy Brassington who died recently

In March we remember in our prayers the congregation of the The Quakers

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 are meeting at the Chapel on Mondays – 7.00pm - 8.30pm to discuss C.S.Lewis' Narnia books – just children's books or something deeper?

28th March – The Last Battle

Vacancy for St. Mary's Churchwarden – After 3 years of service, Douglas is stepping down. If you'd like to support the work of the church and apply for this role or to be on the PCC, or Deanery Synod,

please speak to Jackie, Douglas or Adrian.

Churches Together in Wotton Lent Lectures - Will be taking place at Wotton Baptist Church from 7.30pm every Wednesday during Lent:

30th **March -** Kevin Durrant (*Minister of Keynsham Baptist Church*)

Going Green in the Local Church

6th **April** - Rev Noel Sharp (*Methodist Minister, convenor of Bristol Methodist Synod Eco Team*)

Building the movement, changing structures, engaging with power

To access the lectures live, via Zoom please use the following:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89919536308?pwd=NENETkdU NDl3dFJrVXdXWVlWVlBOZz09

Meeting ID: 899 1953 6308

Passcode: 935519

St. Mary's Lent Lunches – from 12pm. Friday 25th March – CANCELLED due to illness.

Back on 1st April in aid of The Leprosy Mission and MSF. This lunch will be held in The BAPTIST CHURCH. Wonderful soup and cakes will be on offer. All welcome.

St. Mary's Lent Lunch monies raised -

Red Cross/Ukraine lunch – raised over £600 which is wonderful. It has been matched by The DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee)

Longfield – Over £400 raised – there is a thank you note in St. Mary's porch from Longfield.

St. Mary's Eco Church News - Following our brief introduction in church on Sunday 13th March, the Eco Church Team are now pursuing projects from the Buildings category of the scheme. These projects involve recycling & the use of biodegradable materials within our church premises & the parish room/office.

We need to establish policies for how we buy, use & recycle all the materials used on the church premises including the parish room & office. Much work has already been achieved in this area but more needs to be done. If you have any knowledge or an interest in this subject & can help the church, please speak to Anne Parry, Adrian Davis, Hil Varlow or Alan Bell

FREE Good Friday Concert by the Oriana Singers at St. Martin's Church, North Nibley. Friday 15th April at 7pm. Music and readings for Passiontide. Conductor David Moss.

Oriana Singers Spring Concert - St. James the Great, Dursley, Saturday 23rd April at 7.30. Admission £10 children and students free. Music will include Requiem by Gabriel Faure, Mozart's Missa Brevis in Bflat and Cantique de Jean Racine by Faure. The Oriana singers will be accompanied by organist Nigel Davies, Soprano Gillian Wells and Baritone Christian Jenkins

Flower Festival Meeting at St. Mary's – There is to be a flower festival at St. Mary's over the Jubilee weekend. If there is anyone interested in sharing ideas or helping, a meeting is taking place on Monday 4th April at 2pm in St. Mary's – if you would like to help but cannot make it, please let Irene know.

Congratulations to John and Rita Ballantyne on the occasion of their Sapphire Wedding Anniversary (that's 65 years!)

St. Mary's Revision of the Church Roll will take place between 27th March & 10th April - If your name is <u>not</u> on the current Roll, displayed in the church porch, you are invited to complete an application form (available at the back of church or from the Parish Office). Please return in the box provided.

Graham Smith, Electoral Roll Officer