

## 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 13<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

2.30pm Reflection Group in St. Mary's

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

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
10.15am Coffee & Conversation after Service  
7.30pm Wotton PCC meeting at St. Mary's

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

2.30pm Sally Woodhouse Poetry afternoon at St. Mary's

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

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

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

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent**

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's  
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's  
4.00pm Celebrate! our Pets at St. Mary's

### Principal Readings (from Lectionary):

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-end

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30

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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.

**St. Mary's 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month Communion Service** – starting in November, we are trialling having the service half an hour later, starting at **10am**. Please pass the word around especially to anyone you know who doesn't attend due it being at 9.30am. The 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday's of the month will remain at 9.30am

**Christmas Lunch at The Keepers** – Do you know anyone who might be on their own or caring for someone on Christmas Day? They can book a place for lunch by popping in, calling 07585 466418 / [thekeeperscommunityhub@gmail.com](mailto:thekeeperscommunityhub@gmail.com) by December 18<sup>th</sup>.



Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth  
North Nibley  
Alderley (including Tresham)  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Remembrance Sunday

### **Services**

9.30am Remembrance Service at St. Martin's  
~10.50am Remembrance & laying of wreaths at War Memorial  
~11.30am Town Remembrance Service at St. Mary's  
6.00pm Remembrance Evensong at St. Mary's

### **Collect**

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease  
and poverty and pain shall end,  
that earth may know the peace of heaven  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

God of peace,  
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom  
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your healing power  
make whole both people and nations;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says The Lord.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

**All: Alleluia.**

## **Principal Readings**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Wisdom 6: 12-16**

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,  
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,  
and is found by those who seek her.  
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.  
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,  
for she will be found sitting at the gate.  
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,  
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from  
care,  
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,  
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,  
and meets them in every thought.

### **Amos 5: 18-24**

Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord!  
Why do you want the day of the Lord?  
It is darkness, not light;  
as if someone fled from a lion,  
and was met by a bear;  
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,  
and was bitten by a snake.  
Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light,  
and gloom with no brightness in it?  
I hate, I despise your festivals,  
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-  
offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals  
I will not look upon.  
Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.  
But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-end**

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

### **Gospel Reading – Matthew 25: 1-13**

#### **The Beatitudes**

'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he

replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

#### **For your prayers:**

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

Christopher Lane whose funeral service is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.  
Verdon Hicks whose funeral service is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at Westerleigh  
Beryl Jarvis whose memorial service is on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm.  
John Ballantyne whose funeral service is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November at midday.

**Prayer Chain/Ministry** - There is a group of people who will pray for you. To request prayer contact Joan Deveney (01453 844370) or Pat Forster (01453 842557). The Prayer Chain operates for a fortnight, unless otherwise requested.

*In November, we pray for Wotton Baptist Church.*

#### **\*\*\*\*\* NOTICES \*\*\*\*\***

**Wotton will mark Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial.** The parade will start in the Chipping Carpark around 10.40am. Revd Lesley will do a short service at the War Memorial, wreaths will be laid, music played including **Hymn - O God, our help in ages Past.** *(There will be no hymn sheets, please share this and the Facebook posts)*

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of thy throne,  
they saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defence is sure.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard while troubles last,  
and our eternal home.

**Remembrance Service at St. Mary's** – This will start once the parade has been seated. Likely to start between 11.30 and 11.45am.

**Remembrance Service at St. Martin's** – 9.30am

**St. Mary's Reflection Group** – next meeting is Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm. God's Will or Mine?

#### **St. Mary's Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

**at 2.30pm** – Please come and join our resident poet Sally Woodhouse as she shares a selection of her favourite pieces on topics including dogs, Wotton life and St. Mary's Church. Enjoy cake and tea for the cost of £5. All proceeds will go to the new sound system being installed at St. Mary's.



**Request from The Mothers' Union** would welcome small items that can be sold as gifts priced £2 at the Charities Fair on November 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please give your donations to Pauline Latimer, Mary Downs or Jackie Ramsdale. Thank you.

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – 9.30am until 11am. Wotton Community Morning Choir will be rehearsing at St. Mary's. All are welcome to listen.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov** – 4pm Celebrate! Pet Service at St. Mary's