

## 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 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes  
10.00am Interment of Tessa Hope Ashes at St. Mary's

### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

### **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
10.15am Coffee & Chat after the service  
6.30pm Lent Lecture at The Baptist Church – Phil Clements

### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

7.30pm Finance Meeting at St. Mary's

### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

12.00pm Lent Lunch at St. Mary's for Dementia UK  
1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

12.00pm Baptism of Robyn at St. Martin's

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Second Sunday of Lent**

9.30am Café Church at St. Mary's  
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's  
6.00pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

### Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 4: 13-end

Gospel: Mark 8: 31-end

### **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.

## Tyndale



## Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024

First Sunday of Lent

### Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

2.30pm Celebrate! Service at St. Mary's

3.00pm Round the Font at St. Martin's for Lent readings &

poems

### Collect

Almighty God,

whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,

and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:

give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;

and, as you know our weakness,

so may we know your power to save;

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

Heavenly Father,

your Son battled with the powers of darkness,

and grew closer to you in the desert:

help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer

that we may witness to your saving love

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,

you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;

by it you nourish our faith,

increase our hope,

and strengthen our love:

teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living

bread,

and enable us to live by every word

that proceeds from out of your mouth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice. Harden not your hears.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

**Principal Readings****1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** *Genesis 9: 8-17*

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** *1 Peter 3: 18-end*

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

**Gospel:** *Mark 1: 9-15*

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

**For your prayers:*****For the family and friends of:***

Mary Le-Riche whose funeral was on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at Westerleigh Crematorium.

**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.

There is also a notebook outside the Catherine Chapel for written prayer requests too.

*In February, we pray for Synwell Chapel*

**St Martin's** - Sunday 18th February at 3pm: Churches Together **Round the Font at Lent** with songs, poems and readings led by Rev'd Peter Marsh

**World Day of Prayer - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

Wotton – will be at the United Church – time to be confirmed.

The Lent lunch will follow on after the service.

North Nibley – will be at The Chapel at 3.45pm.

**Wotton Lent lunches (All Friday's) – All start at 12pm**

23<sup>rd</sup> Feb – at St. Mary's for Dementia UK

1<sup>st</sup> Mar – at United Church for World Day of Prayer

8<sup>th</sup> Mar – at St. Mary's for MAF

15<sup>th</sup> Mar – at St. Mary's – Read with Me

22<sup>nd</sup> Mar – at St. Mary's for Tearfund

This year, it will be "Pay as you feel" – meaning that you can pay whatever you are able to.

**Wotton Lent Lectures** – all to be held at the Baptist Church on Wednesdays, tea & coffee at 6.30pm, lecture starts at 7pm. The theme this year is Justice. All talks have a Q & A at the end.

21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Phil Clements talking on "Justice: A biblical perspective."

28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Chris Gordon from The Keepers

6<sup>th</sup> Mar – Barrie Voyce, Youth co-ordinator at Glos Diocese, with KLB students

13<sup>th</sup> Mar – Gill Martin from HMP Eastwood Park

20<sup>th</sup> Mar – Refugees Tales

**St. Mary's Celebrate! Services** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

**New winter start time. 2.30pm until 3.30pm.** A family friendly service for all ages celebrating life in its abundance through our faith in Jesus Christ.

**Lifts to St. Mary's Church** - Two members of our congregation would like a lift to and from church on a Sunday morning. Are you able to help on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month? Please contact Kate Tutty 844371

**St. Mary's vacancy** for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday welcomer & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday refreshments team. Please let a churchwarden or Kate in the office know if you are able to help.