

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 11th March 2024

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 12th March

2.30pm Reflection Group at St. Mary's. "Put peace into each other's hands"

Wednesday 13th March

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee & Chat after the service
6.30pm Lent Lecture at The Baptist Church – Jill Martin, HMP Eastwood Park

Thursday 14th March

7.30pm Wotton PCC meeting in St. Mary's

Friday 15th March

12.00pm Lent Lunch for Read with Me at St. Mary's
1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 16th March

10.00am Palm Cross making with Coffee

Sunday 17th March – Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
No Service at St. Kenelm's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5: 5-10

Gospel: John 12: 20-33

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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 10th March 2024

Mothering Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Mary's

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

6.00pm 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 life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
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

1st 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 and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and 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:

Marlene Nees whose funeral is on Monday 18th March at 11am at St. Mary's

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 March, we pray for The Quakers

******* NOTICES *******

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

8th Mar – at St. Mary's for MAF

15th Mar – at St. Mary's – Read with Me

22nd 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.

Lent Lunch for Dementia UK - on 23rd February raised £310.00. Thank you to Rachel & Shelley for organizing it and to everyone who helped, provided soup or cakes and of course all those who attended.

St. Mary's Reflection Group – Tuesday 12th March at 2.30pm. Topic is "put peace into each other's hands". All Welcome

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.

13th Mar – Gill Martin from HMP Eastwood Park

Justice is a word which brings different emotions and views to mind. We can strive for justice as Christians, but how do we link justice, forgiveness and faith? Can anyone make a brand new start with God and does prison do it's job with those in custody (particularly women)?

Micah 6: 8 what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Come and share your views, listen to others and discover what part you can play in the healing and restoration of people, our world and our communities.

20th Mar – Refugees Tales

St. Mary's Easter Flowers - monetary donations are gratefully received for the Easter flowers. The Carbuoy will be at the back of the church.

St. Mary's Celebrate! Services – 3rd 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 5th Sunday of the month? Please contact Kate Tutty 844371

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

Message from Sue PM - which she has kindly allowed us to share. *Hi Folks,*

Forgive this impersonal email....but best I can do given the circumstances!

Thought it was about time I told you what was happening currently at 'Recsretreat (Sue's house name)'. The cancer seems to be taking its tortuous journey and leaves me with no energy at all which is very frustrating as you will appreciate.

My mind is still planning what I am going to do when I am eighty but clearly my body has other ideas! I want for nothing; I am sad that I cannot see more people but it is so rude to invite them in and then fall asleep!!

I am very content that God is in control even if I have some questions about his methods. I am really grateful for the thoughts and prayers and incredibly touched by the messages and e-mails I have received - thank you all.

Sue x

St. Mary's Palm Cross Making - Come for coffee and cake on Saturday 16th March at St. Mary's from 10am onwards and help make palm crosses.

St. Mary's Agape meal 28th March - I am after four volunteers please to help to set up, serve and put away for the Agape meal which we are serving at 6-7pm this year on Maundy Thursday. Please see Rev Peter F, or ring on 07795 206590 if you can help.