

Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 6pm
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 6pm.

Monday 26th August – Bank Holiday - Office Closed

9.30am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 27th August – Office Closed

2.00pm “Sew & Sew” – tea and cake at St. Mary's

Wednesday 28th August – Office Open

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee and chat after the service

Thursday 29th August – Office Open

Friday 30th August - Office Closed

6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 31st August

Sunday 1st September – 14th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's
10.00am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
No service at Tresham Church

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9

2nd Reading: James 1: 17-end

Gospel: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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St Mary's Wotton

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Did you know – that St. Martin's produces an audio service which is

available every week? The clergy (and others) take it in turns and you can listen to it from here: <https://northnibleychurch.uk/recorded-services/> All the services are on here, so you listen at your leisure. It is for everyone, so do spread the word.

Next Tyndale Benefice Safeguarding courses – Saturday 7th &

28th September. At St. Mary's, starting 9am and last 2 hours.

Please let Kate in the office know or sign up on the sheet at the back of St. Mary's.

You can do it on line in the comfort of your own home – click

on [Home | Safeguarding: Training Portal \(cofeportal.org\)](https://www.cofeportal.org)

You need to complete the basic training.

Tyndale Office – The office will have different opening times during the school summer holidays.

Open Wed 28th & Thurs 29th August

Open Weds 4th, Thurs 5th & Fri 6th September 10 – 12pm

w/c 9th September – back to normal days and hours!

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Sunday 25th August 2024
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Mary's

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

6.00pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Collect

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

or

Almighty God,

you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator,

you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes
from the mouth of God.

All: Alleluia

Principal Readings

1st Reading: *Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18*

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, & summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, & the officers of Israel; & they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah & his sons Abraham & Nahor - lived beyond the Euphrates & served other gods.

'Now therefore revere the Lord & serve him in sincerity & in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River & in Egypt, & serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me & my household, we will serve the Lord.'

Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, & who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; & the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

2nd Reading: *Ephesians 6: 10-20*

Finally, be strong in the Lord & in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood & flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, & having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, & fasten the belt of truth around your waist, & put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, & the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Gospel: *John 6: 56-69*

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Sally Woodhouse whose memorial service was on Tuesday 20th August at St. Mary's

Cyril Crew whose funeral was on Thursday 22nd August at St. Mary's

Ruth Barker whose funeral is on Tuesday 3rd September at 2pm 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 August we pray for the Oliver Memorial Chapel and all that are part of that church.

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

Saturday 24th August at 3pm – Jed Hughes Organ recital – come and hear the new St. Mary's Director of Music play the wonderful organ. Tickets from Cotswold Book Room or on the door.

PARClife 24 – On Sunday 25th August from 11am to 3pm, a festival of activities and celebration, in Wotton Community PARC on New Road. Wotton Community Sports Foundation are receiving the King's Award for Voluntary Service (which is equivalent to an MBE). It will be awarded at 12.30pm but you are all invited to attend and see many amazing things that the WCSF have achieved.

Town Hall Teas on Bank Holiday Monday is in aid of Christian Aid. Please do go along and support them. If you can provide a cake, please let Mary Downs know.

St. Mary's "Sew and sew" - The 'hood' of the cope needs some repair, and Deb's Sewing Bee has very kindly offered to repair it. Some of the gold threads have come loose.

Would you like to come along to church to take a closer look on

Tues 27th August, from 2 pm onwards? Bring along your sewing or knitting to do at the same time, or just come for a chat. Refreshments will be provided.

New United Church Minister Revd Jimmy Cullingford, probationary minister for Cam, Dursley, Stonehouse and Wotton under Edge churches, at a Welcome Service on **Sat 7th Sept at 4pm**, at Dursley Methodist Church. Refreshments available after the service. It would be wonderful to have a representative from St. Mary's attend, as Lesley is on holiday.

Save the Date – CTiNN Harvest– Sunday 8th September at 3pm. A relaxed Family Harvest Thanksgiving Service with modern songs that children love to sing, Tea and Cake. Outside the Chapel if fine and inside if not! Tinned products are very welcome for the Food Bank.

St Mary's Church Fete – Saturday 21st September – The following are requested – jewellery, bottles, jams/chutney's (any kind of produce), toiletries, good quality preloved clothes. They can be dropped to the parish office.

Babies and children's toy stall at the fete - Good quality used toys, puzzles & games are much needed & will be gratefully received by Sharon D. Please contact Sharon on 07780003166.

St. Mary's – Help shape our vision. We would appreciate your comments & ideas by using the vision sheets in the Berkeley Chapel. This is your way of contributing to the vision of the church.