

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 6th October

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes
11.30am Wedding rehearsal at St. Mary's

Tuesday 7th October

2.30pm iSingpop concert at St. Martin's

Wednesday 8th October

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee and chat after the communion service
1.00pm Wedding of Oliver & Despina at St. Mary's
7.30pm Wotton Finance Meeting at St. Mary's

Thursday 9th October

10.30am Blue Coat Harvest Service at St. Mary's

Friday 10th October

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's
5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's
6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 11th October

9.00am Safeguarding Training (Foundation level) at St. Mary's

Sunday 12th October – 17th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
11.00am Harvest Family Service at St. Mary's
Followed by bring & share lunch
3.00pm Baptism of Edith & Ada at Tresham Church
6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7 or 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

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Did you know – that St. Martin's produces an audio service which is available every week? The clergy (& others) take it in turns & you can listen to it here:
<https://northnibleychurch.uk/recorded-services/> All the services are on here, so you listen at your leisure. It's for everyone, so do spread the word.

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth
North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 5th October 2025
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's
10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
11.15am Holy Communion Service at Tresham Church

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers
of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
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

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to
save your souls.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary

1st Reading: *Lamentations 1: 1-6*

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering & hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe.

From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

2nd Reading: *2 Timothy 1: 1-14*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him.

Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you've heard from me, in the faith & love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Gospel: *Luke 17: 5-10*

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"

The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Tresham Readings: 1st Reading: *Hosea 6: 1-6*

"Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.

Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as

sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth."

What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.

Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I've killed them by the words of my mouth & my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 9: 9-13*

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Paula Campbell whose memorial service is on Thursday 2nd October at 2pm at St. Martin's Church

Oliver & Despina who are getting married on Wednesday 8th October at St. Mary's

Edith & Ada who are getting baptised at Tresham Church on Sunday 12th October

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 October, St. Mary's is prayed for by the community.

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

Saturday 4th October - St. Mary's Fundraiser There are a few tickets left & are available from the office. £25 per ticket.

Complimentary welcome drink, an entrée and 7 puddings! Please tell your friends – why not get a table together (tables of 8)? Contact the office for more information.

Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th October 10am – 4pm – come and see the amazing art that is in the exhibition – over 170 pictures donated to St. Mary's. All can be bid on. Refreshments are available.

Sunday 12th October Harvest at St. Mary's bring & share – all are invited to stay after the harvest service. Bring a dish to share.

Saturday 18th October 4 – 6pm – Silent Disco at St. Mary's. Tickets available from Cotswold Book Room or on the door. Perfect to bring youngsters to – licensed bar!

Foundation Safeguarding Course – Last one of the year – being held at St. Mary's on Saturday 11th October 9 – 11am. If you do anything in any of the churches, you need to take this safeguarding course (if you haven't done so already). If you would prefer to do it on line, please let Kate in the office know and she'll point you in the right direction.

Do you have any jewellery you no longer need/want?? – Kate T will gladly take it off your hands – even if it is broken. Kate will be running a jewellery stall at the November Read with Me Fair. Either give it to Kate T directly, or drop it in to the office.

1 sides person is required at St. Mary's for the 3rd Sundays of the month. Services start at 9.30am so it would be good for you to be there by 9am. If anyone is interested or would like to find out more, contact Irene on 844135