

Services and Meetings this week

St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 6pm
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 6pm. St. Martin's opens daily: 8.30am-6pm

Monday 13th April

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 14th April

2.30pm Reflection Group at St. Mary's

Wednesday 15th April

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's

Thursday 16th April

Friday 17th April

Saturday 18th April

7.00pm Concert at St. Mary's – Michael Lunts

Sunday 19th April – 3rd Sunday after Easter

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's
11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1: 17-23

Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

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St Mary's Wotton

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.

As you are aware, Lesley dislocated her shoulder whilst on retreat in Scotland. Although she is back amongst us, she is now signed off until further notice.

If you need an urgent response to anything, please let me know in the office and I can prioritise things.

Lesley would love some visitors – but please contact her before turning up!

Quirkish Delights! – Concert at St. Mary's Sat 18th April, 7pm

– Tickets available from Cotswold Book Room or on the door

Timeless, full-length show of quintessential cabaret - one man, a bow tie, a piano and some of the finest comedy songs in the English language from Noël Coward to Cole Porter, Flanders and Swann to Tom Lehrer..

"Michael Lunts is a rare combination of accomplished writer, fine actor and talented pianist and, on stage, he both acts and performs the music."

Just one of the testimonials from literally hundreds of venues that have hosted performances of Michael Lunts' shows over the past decade; theatres and arts centres, stately homes and music societies, cruise liners and even embassy residences.

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Benefice

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

Sunday 12th April 2026
Second Sunday of Easter

Services

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

10.00am Family Service at St. Mary's

6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Collect

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

or

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one; I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary

1st Reading: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. ²⁵ David said about him: " 'I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

²⁶ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, ²⁷ because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

²⁹ "Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. ³⁰ But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. ³² God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3-9

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel: John 20: 19-end

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you

may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Anthony Dunseath who died on Friday 3rd April

Bob Pearce whose funeral was on Monday 23rd March at St. Mary's

Anne Rees-Simkins whose funeral was on Wed 25th March 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.

If you miss the names of the people being prayed for on a Sunday, please contact the office for a copy.

In April, St. Mary's is prayed for by the local community.

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

Children's Society Coffee morning at St. Mary's – Saturday 11th April – 10am – 12pm – pop it in your diaries!

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way during Lent and Holy Week. The services and events would not have happened without the enthusiastic input of so many people, all for the glory of God. Thank you, Kate T

St. Mary's Reflection Group meet this Tuesday (14th) at 2.30 in the Sacristy. It's time to step away from "what a terrible mess" (a quote from Bishop Rachel) to come and listen to two Bible readings, reflections, prayers and music, followed by tea, cake and a chat.

A prayer for Iran by the Rt Revd Guli Francis-Dehqani - who herself was a refugee from Iran when she fled to the UK with her family in 1979.

Ever - loving God,

who hears us in our anguish and distress,
and longs for us to be free.

We pray for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East,
at this time of fear and uncertainty.

Be near to those who are anxious;
bring comfort to all who are suffering.

Guide those with the power to make decisions,
and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation:
that people of goodwill would seek harmony and reconciliation.

Join us with our Christian brothers and sisters in all places,
in praying for peace with justice,

through him who is the prince of peace,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Electoral Roll Revision - If your name is not on the current Roll you are invited to submit an application from 22nd March to 12th April.

Please give thought to the significance of being on the Church Electoral Roll of our Parish because by doing this you will be saying that

- I **support** the Church of England & its work in my Parish
- I am making a **commitment** to my Parish Church
- I will take a responsible share in supporting & developing the mission & ministry of the Church in my Parish through **regular giving**
- I will give not only money, but **myself**, my time & my gifts & skills to God, in service both within the Church & in the wider community.

Application forms will be available at the back of church and should be returned in the box provided.

Roger Wyse

Electoral Roll Officer