

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 3rd August – OFFICE CLOSED

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 4th August – OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday 5th August – OFFICE CLOSED

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's

Thursday 6th August – OFFICE CLOSED

Friday 7th August – OFFICE CLOSED

Afternoon Twickenham Trio rehearsal at St. Mary's

5.00pm Wedding Rehearsal at St. Martin's

6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 8th August

1.00pm Wedding of Callum & Lucy at St. Martin's

7.00pm Twickenham Trio Concert at St. Mary's

Sunday 9th August – 10th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

10.00am Non Communion Service at St. Mary's

6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19: 9-18

2nd Reading: Romans 10: 5-15

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

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Please do not call after 6pm

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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 (& 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 2nd August 2026

Nineth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's

10.00am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

11.15pm Holy Communion Service at Tresham Church

Collect

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows me will
never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary

1st Reading: *Isaiah 55:1-5*

¹ Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

2nd Reading: *Romans 9:1-5*

¹ I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵ Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

Gospel: *Matthew 14:13-21*

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

¹⁶ Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

¹⁷ “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. ¹⁸ “Bring them here to me,” he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Andrew & Miranda who got married at St. Kenelm’s on 4th July
Andrew & Kirstie who had a wedding bless on Saturday 25th July at Perry & Dawes Chapel.

Callum & Lucy who are getting married on 8th August at St. Martin’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.

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

In August, please pray for the priests and congregation at the Synwell Chapel

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

Ageing Gracefully – a joint course between the Tyndale Benefice and The Keepers, to be held at The United Church. A 6 week course for Christians who wish to explore some of the theological issues raised by an aging society.

Starts on 5th October. Flyers are in all the churches.

St. Mary’s Church Fete - Thank you to everyone who supported, baked, volunteered, entertained us by singing and playing the piano, grew plants, and collected toiletries, toys, books, teddies, and clothes. To those who attended, painted children’s faces, organised the parachuting teddies and sold raffle tickets, thank you

The total amount raised will be made known soon. Half the money will go to the church fabric fund, and a quarter each to the Bournstream Trust and Médecins Sans Frontières.

Despite the hot weather, it was wonderful to see the community coming together for a lovely day of fellowship.

The final total raised £4,775.

A fabulous amount (more than last year!). This means that Bournstream and Médecins Sans Frontières will both have donated to them £1,194. The rest will come to St. Mary’s.

Alpha 2026 - In the Autumn we will be holding another Alpha course. The 10-week course starts on Tuesday 22nd September @ 6.45pm, at The United Church Hall, in Bradley Street.

Alpha is an opportunity to explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. Over 10 weeks we’ll look at questions such as “Who is Jesus?”, “Why did Jesus’ die?”, “How can I have faith?”, “How does God guide us?” and “Who is the Holy Spirit?”

Each evening will consist of 3 parts: a meal together, watching a pre-recorded talk and a discussion in small groups, where you can share your thoughts and ask questions.

Alpha is for everyone - those who have questions about Christianity – about what it means to be a follower of Jesus and those who are Christians but want to remind themselves of what they believe, refresh their understanding and renew their experience of God. All are welcome.

If you’d like to come or want to find out more, please contact Clive Hamer on 07523 405417 or add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Benefice Office & Summer Holidays – The Benefice office will be closed w/c 27th July & 3rd August.

Once back from holiday the office will be open ONLY on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am until 5pm.

Drop me an email if you need me outside of those hours.

Concerts at St. Mary’s – Saturday 8th August 7pm – The Twickenham Trio playing a Beethoven Sandwich! Wine Bar. Tickets available from the Cotswold Book Room or on the door.

St. Mary’s Churchyard trail – on during the summer holidays. Calling all Grandparents, Parents or Carers of children up to the age of 10 approximately. Come & pick up a pack in the church porch (one for each child). The pack is designed for children to take a closer look around our outside space & see for themselves the natural treasures created by God. There is always something new to find!

Foodbank

Don’t forget the Foodbank this summer. Donations can be placed in the basket under the welcome table in church. Thank you.

Items requested: Tinned ham or corned beef; tinned meat meals; tinned fruit & custard; tinned rice pudding; milk (UHT); fruit juice (long life); coffee; shampoo & conditioner; laundry detergent.