

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 31st August –BANK HOLIDAY - Office Closed

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 1st September – Office Open

Wednesday 2nd September – Office Closed

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's
2.15pm Mothers Union at St. Mary's – Pencil Case Project
5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Thursday 3rd September – Office Open

10.00am Ministers & Churchwardens meeting in Office

Friday 4th September – Office Open

11.00am Funeral Service for Tony Pickford at St. Mary's
6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 5th September

Sunday 6th September – 14th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Non communion Service at St. Martin's with
Archdeacon Katrina
10.00am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's
11.15am Harvest Festival at Tresham Church with Archdeacon Katrina
1.00pm Choir Rehearsal for Faure Requiem at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-11 and Colossians 1: 15-20

2nd Reading: Romans 13: 8-end

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20 and John 1: 1-14

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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.

To everyone – this is IMPORTANT, this is where YOU get a say.

Now that we are in vacancy, we need to think about what qualities we want in our next incumbent.

What are your hopes and aspirations for your church?

How do you want your church community to develop over the next few years?

Please email or speak to your churchwarden. Or send them through to me in the Office and I will pass them on.

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 30th August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

11.00am Benefice Holy Communion at St. Mary's with Rev Joy Ludlow

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 - Lectionary

1st Reading: *Jeremiah 15: 15-21*

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.

And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord.

I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Exodus 3: 1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up."

When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?"

God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'"

God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

2nd Reading: *Romans 12: 9-end*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in

harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.

" No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gospel: *Matthew 16: 21-end*

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you."

But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Tony Pickford whose funeral service is on Friday 4th September at 11am at St. Mary's

Graham Cook whose memorial service is on Thursday 9th September 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.

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 *******

Benefice Office & Summer Holidays – The Benefice office is back to normal hours from next week. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays – open from 10 until 12pm.

Installation of Archdeacon of Gloucester Designate, the Revd John Whittaker - on Sunday 6th September at 3pm at Gloucester Cathedral. All are welcome to attend, just turn up.

Wednesday 2nd September, The Mothers' Union - will meet in church at 2.15 but there has been a change to the published programme. The speaker will now be Arabella Stewart who will talk about Project Pencil Case and Period Poverty in Ethiopia. Everyone welcome but please bring some money as there will be Ethiopian crafts for sale and the speaker would welcome donations for the charity. Thank you.

Free Tyndale Exhibition – at Nibley Chapel. It is a very interesting account of William Tyndale's story for the 500th anniversary of his translation of the New Testament. Open on Weds mornings, Saturdays (10 – 1pm & 2 – 4pm) and Sundays (10am – 4pm) for the rest of August and the first week of September. It was

put together by a Des & Beverley Gardiner from near Exeter. There is a bench in the chapel garden, where you can see the monument.

Can you help for a couple of hours on Sunday 25th October? – we have a baptism at St. Mary’s directly after the morning service and the family have asked if there is anyone who might be able to make the teas and coffee’s when they use the servery – you will be paid! Let Kate in the office know.

St. Mary’s Eco Church information – There is an opening for a new Eco Church member, as Anne Parry is stepping down - Anne was an original team member and has been involved since the beginning of our involvement with the Eco Church programme in 2017. The team would like to thank Anne for her total commitment to the scheme and the immense work she has contributed over the last nine years.

Do we have any church member who would be interested in joining us. *Alan Bell Eco Church Leader*

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.

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.

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!

Last few days – so get in quick!

Foodbank

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

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.