

Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 4pm
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 3pm.

Monday 4th March 2024

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 5th March

Wednesday 6th March

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
10.15am Coffee & Chat after the service
6.30pm Lent Lecture at The Baptist Church – Barrie Voyce, Youth
co-ordinator at Glos Diocese

Thursday 7th March

Friday 8th March

12.00pm Lent Lunch for MAF
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 9th March

Sunday 10th March – Fourth Sunday of Lent

9.30am Family Service at St. Mary's
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
6.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Exodus 2: 1-10 or 1 Samuel 1: 20-end

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 or Colossians 3: 12-17

Gospel: Luke 2: 33-35 or John 19: 25b-27

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St Mary's Wotton

Pew Sheet Notices – if you would like anything to be added to the pew sheet notices, please ensure they are sent to the office by the end of Wednesday (for the coming Sunday). I will do my best to fit them in.

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Sunday 3rd March 2024
Third Sunday of Lent

Services

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's
10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's
11.00am Baptism Service for Tamsin & Isabella at St. Martin's
11.15am Holy Communion at Tresham Church
2.00pm Baptism Service for Jess & Elijah at St. Mary's

Collect

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered
pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life 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

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are promised
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his
voice. Harden not your hears.
All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Principal Readings

1st Reading: Exodus 20: 1-17

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.’

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel: John 2: 13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, ‘Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!’ His disciples remembered that it was written, ‘Zeal for your house will consume me.’ The Jews then said to him, ‘What sign can you show us for doing this?’ Jesus answered them, ‘Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’ The Jews then said, ‘This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?’ But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

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 March, we pray for The Quakers

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

Wednesday 6th March The Mothers' Union - will meet in church at 2.15. Rev. Lesley will be giving a Lent reflection and all are welcome.

Rushmire Hill will be closed on Friday 1st March 9.30 – 3.30 for maintenance work. The very top of Old London Road will also be closed up to the junction passed the Golf Club.

World Day of Prayer - Friday 1st March

Wotton – will be at the United Church – time to be confirmed.

The Lent lunch will follow on after the service.

North Nibley – will be at The Chapel at 3.45pm.

Wotton Lent lunches (All Friday's) – All start at 12pm

1st Mar – at United Church for World Day of Prayer

8th Mar – at St. Mary's for MAF

15th Mar – at St. Mary's – Read with Me

22nd Mar – at St. Mary's for Tearfund

This year, it will be “Pay as you feel” – meaning that you can pay whatever you are able to.

Wotton Lent Lectures – all to be held at the Baptist Church on Wednesdays, tea & coffee at 6.30pm, lecture starts at 7pm. The theme this year is Justice. All talks have a Q & A at the end.

6th March – Barrie Voyce, Youth co-ordinator at Glos Diocese

Young people value integrity, inclusivity and honesty. In a society that focuses on the brokenness of institution and the ineptitude of leaders, how can the church ignite and inspire the passion of youth to be the change that they long to see?

13th Mar – Gill Martin from HMP Eastwood Park

20th Mar – Refugees Tales

St. Mary's Celebrate! Services – 3rd Sunday of the month.

New winter start time. 2.30pm until 3.30pm. A family friendly service for all ages celebrating life in its abundance through our faith in Jesus Christ.

Lifts to St. Mary's Church - Two members of our congregation would like a lift to and from church on a Sunday morning. Are you able to help on the 5th Sunday of the month? Please contact Kate Tutty 844371

St. Mary's vacancy for 1st Sunday welcomer & 2nd Sunday refreshments team. Please let a churchwarden or Kate in the office know if you are able to help.