### 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 21st July

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - office open

## Wednesday 23rd July

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's 10.15am Coffee and chat after the communion service

# Thursday 24th July - office open

## Friday 25th July

4.00pm Interment of John Eamer at St. Mary's

5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

## Saturday 26th July

# Sunday 27th July – 6th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Service of the Word at St. Mary's

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

6.00pm Choral evensong at St. Mary's

## Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Hosea 1: 2-10 or Genesis 18: 20-32

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 2: 6-15

Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

### Clergy:

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Please do not call after 6pm

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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: <a href="https://northnibleychurch.uk/recorded-services/">https://northnibleychurch.uk/recorded-services/</a> All the services are on here, so you listen at your leisure. It's for everyone, so do spread the word.





at St Andrew's Leighterton (5.30pm) with wine & refreshments

Free admission - donations welcome www.badmintonbenefice.com/festival-of-music

# Tyndale



# Benefice

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

> Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Fifth Sunday after Trinity

## **Services**

9.30am Service of the Word at St. Martin's 9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's 11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered

by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;

through 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**

## 1st Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground.

He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said."

And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes."

Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent."

Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 1: 15-28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints.

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

# Gospel: Luke 10: 38-end

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me."

But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

### For your prayers:

## For the family and friends of:

Ken Langley who was interred at St. Mary's on 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Rita Ballantyne whose funeral is on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August at midday, 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.

In July, we keep in our prayers, The United Church

### \*\*\*\*\* NOTICES \*\*\*\*\*

Bibles for Wotton Primary School Leavers – there are some envelopes at the back of St. Mary's should you wish to donate to the bibles for schools funds. This is a Churches Together initiative to provide both Blue Coat and British School leavers a bible. Many thanks

A superb £4273 profit was raised. This will be donated to Winstons Wish, Cotswold Vale Reading Newspaper & St. Mary's. A massive thank you to all who contributed to the Church Fete:

The congregation & friends of St. Mary's Church; The Ozleworth Park Estate; Rowan Dartington Stockbrokers; Mrs Stone; Mr and Mrs Steve Edwards; Natwest Bank, Thornbury; Relish Delicatessen; Bear Street Garage; Good Food greengrocer; Good Food Kitchen & Bar; Wotton Co-Op; Tesco Express; Shelley Batchelor Hairdressing; Wotton Coffee Shop; The Yard Barber Shop; Oh So Clean; The Market Place; Maison Stokes; 4 Market Street; Cookability; The Ark; Wotton rugby Club; The Loud Crowd; David Bradbury; Dan Salmon Benjamin Humphries and especially Douglas Hinton for his organisation of the whole thing.

**Thank you from Joan Batho** – My heartfelf thanks for the numerous cards, messages, gifts and flowers, I received for my milestone 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday on 6<sup>th</sup> July. I have been totally overwhelmed. The congregations rendition of Happy Birthday was a lovely surprise and very special. Thank you all, so much. With my love, *Joan*.

Still required - St. Mary's Cleaning - Are you free once every two weeks, for an hour, to clean part of the church? We meet on a Friday just after nine. You would be cleaning one area out of - the organ loft, around the font & the two centre aisles. Tel: Kate Tutty 844371

Funeral Service for Rita Ballantyne – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August at midday, at St. Mary's. Followed by refreshments in the church. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME** 

**Benefice office opening times** – this week is the last week of term for my children, so I will be in the office normal hours. From w/c 21<sup>st</sup> July, I will be in on Tuesdays and Thursdays with a couple of weeks off (yet to be confirmed). If you need anything, please let me know with a bit of extra time!