

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 25th August – Bank Holiday

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 26th August – office open

Wednesday 27th August

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

Thursday 28th August – Office Open

Friday 29th August

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's
6.15pm Junior & Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 30th August

Sunday 31st August – 11th Sunday after Trinity

11.00am Benefice Harvest Festival at Tresham Church

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Ecclesiasticus 10: 12-18 or Jeremiah 2: 4-13

2nd Reading: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16

Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-17

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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.

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 – or it could be a Wednesday from 10.45am. You would be cleaning one area out of - the organ loft, around the font & the two centre aisles. From September, also need someone to clean the church toilets once a month. Tel: Kate Tutty 844371

Benefice office opening times – The office is closed until Tuesday 26th August. If you need to get hold of anyone, try your local church warden or Lesley. All details are on the back of the sheet.

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Sunday 24th August 2025
Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Songs of Praise at St. Mary's
9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
6.00pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
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

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord endures forever. The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings

1st Reading: *Jeremiah 1: 4-10*

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Isaiah 58: 9b-end

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

2nd Reading: *Hebrews 12: 18-end*

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them.

(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.")

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven."

This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Gospel: *Luke 13:10-17*

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight.

When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?"

When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Rita Ballantyne whose funeral was on Tuesday 12th August at St. Mary's

Pam Smith whose memorial service is on Saturday 6th September at 3pm 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 August, we keep in our prayers, Synwell Chapel

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

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 and 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 and see for themselves the natural treasures created by God. There is always something new to find!

Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's during the summer holidays will be done with the senior choir at 6.15pm.

2 sides people are required at St. Mary's for the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month. Services start at 9.30am so it would be good for you to be there by 9am. If anyone is interested or would like to find out more, contact Irene on 844135

St. Mary's Pictures and Puddings fundraiser – do you have any framed or mounted pictures or paintings you would like to donate to the fundraiser? There will be an auction of pictures on 6th October raising money for the church roof fund. If so, please drop them in to Lesley in the office.

Benefice Service next week – 31st August – There is one service at Tresham Church next week commencing at 11am. It is a Harvest Festival service. Please try and car share. There are no other services within the Benefice on this Sunday. There will be further Harvest services in Wotton, North Nibley and Alderley at later dates.