

## 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 28<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

### **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

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

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

Alderley/Tresham APCM

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

1.00pm Cotswold Lunchtime Concerts at St. Mary's – Toby Hughes

### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's  
10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
11.15am Holy Communion at Tresham Church

#### Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 9: 1-6

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 5: 11-end

Gospel: John 21: 1-19

#### **Clergy:**

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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.

\*\*\*\*\* Notices (continued) \*\*\*\*\*

**The Keepers Buddy Up Project** – Would you like someone to visit you at your home for a chat on a regular basis? Do you know someone who might benefit from this?

Contact The Keepers on 07585 466418 or  
[thekeepersprojects@gmail.com](mailto:thekeepersprojects@gmail.com)

**Longfield Hospice are offering bereavement Support**, Calm Connections, in the month of May. Every Thursday from 8<sup>th</sup> May until 29<sup>th</sup> May – 10am -until 11.30am at Longfield Wellbeing Centre, Minchinhampton. For more information or to book a space – 01453 733706 or  
[bereavement.services@longfield.org.uk](mailto:bereavement.services@longfield.org.uk)

## Tyndale



## Benefice

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

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
Second Sunday of Easter

#### **Services**

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

#### **Collect**

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

Risen Christ,  
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts,  
that we may seek the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God the Father.

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of eternal life  
and in baptism have made us one with him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;  
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

**All: Alleluia.**

## **Principal Readings**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** *Acts 5: 27-32*

And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us. Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** *Revelation 1: 4-8*

John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

### **Gospel:** *John 20: 19-end*

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

## **For your prayers:**

### ***For the family and friends of:***

Susie Pink who died on 10<sup>th</sup> April.

Brenda Francis whose memorial service is on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm at St. Mary's Church

**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 April St. Mary's and congregation are prayed for by others.*

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

**Cotswold Concerts at St. Mary's** – Last one of this opening season. Toby Hughes, playing double bass will be playing an eclectic mix of music. Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 1pm in St. Mary's

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May - The Mothers' Union** will meet in the church at 2.15 when Robert Bernays will be giving an illustrated talk based on his involvement running a farm visitor attraction. All welcome.

**VE80 at St. Mary's** — Lots happening at St. Mary's. From Weds 7<sup>th</sup> – Sat 10<sup>th</sup> May, there will be an exhibition of local photos, plus a story line for what happened on 8<sup>th</sup> May 1945.

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

12.00pm – Reading of the Proclamation by Town Crier, George  
12.30pm – Fish & Chip lunch in St. Mary's for £6 – Options available – Fish & chips, Sausage & chips or Halloumi Sticks & chips. Please contact Kate in the office to order & pay.

Welcome to visit the exhibition

5.45pm – Service of Peace – Remembering VE Day with poetry & singing from our local schools.

6.30pm – Ring out in Celebration – the bells of St. Mary's will chime

Plus the Wotton Silver Band will be playing on Wotton Hill from 8.30pm, with "I vow to thee my country" being played at 9.15pm. The beacon will be lit at 9.20pm on Wotton Hill

**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

**Wotton Eco Church team 'Gardening work time'** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May from 10am – 12pm. This 2<sup>nd</sup> gardening session is to remove weeds and grass from the cracks and crevices protruding from the stone flags that surround the base of the outer church stonework. You would need to bring with you a strong knife or something which would allow you to prise out the weeds etc from the cracks.

If you are able to give some time to assist we would appreciate the help. There is a sign up sheet at the back of St. Mary's or let Alan Bell know. Thank you.

**St. Mary's Sidepeople required** – Irene is looking for anyone who can help be a sides person on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. The job entails putting up the hymn boards, welcome people, hand out hymn books etc. Please get in touch with Irene or Kate C in the office

**Thank you** - What a wonderful way to journey from Palm Sunday 'til Easter Day, with all the services held at St. Mary's. Each day, I walked with so many people from all Christian denominations, who like me, wanted to increase their faith and learn from Jesus' final days on earth.

Each event, from planning the services to making palms, filling plastic Easter eggs to preparing food, and arranging music and flowers, all gave credence to deepening our understanding and relationship with God.

A time I shall never forget. Thank you to everyone. *Kate Tutty*