

## Services and Meetings this week

St. Martin's, St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 6pm  
St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 4pm.

### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes  
6.00pm North Nibley PCC meeting

### **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

10.30am Blue Coat Easter service at St. Mary's  
2.30pm Reflection Group at St. Mary's

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's  
10.15am Coffee and chat after the communion service  
1.00pm British School Easter Celebration at St. Mary's  
3.45pm Wedding rehearsal at St. Mary's  
7.30pm Wotton Finance meeting at St. Mary's

### **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**

12.00pm Lent Lunch at Wotton Baptist Church for Christian Aid  
1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's  
2.00pm Wedding of Lucy and Paul at St. Mary's  
5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

11.15am Visiting Bell Ringers at St. Mary's  
7.30pm Oriana Singers Spring concert at St. Mary's

### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Palm Sunday**

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)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Luke 19: 28-40

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2: 5-11

Gospel: Luke 22: 14-end 23 or Luke 23: 1-49

### **Clergy:**

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### **Vicar's Secretary & Benefice Administrator:**

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### **Director of Music:**

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Safeguarding officer – Rev Lesley Hewish 07827 418188 /  
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### **Alderley (including Tresham) Churchwardens:**

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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.

## Tyndale



## Benefice

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

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

### Services

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

### Collect

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
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

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us  
that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters  
we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others  
as you were the servant of all,  
and gave up your life and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.  
Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death,  
even death on a cross.  
Therefore God has highly exalted him  
and given him the name that is above every name.  
**All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

## **Principal Readings**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21**

Thus says the Lord,  
who makes a way in the sea,  
a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honour me,  
the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 3: 4b-14**

even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.  
If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.  
Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

### **Pressing towards the Goal**

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

### **Gospel: John 12: 1-8**

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

## **For your prayers:**

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

Iain Devine whose memorial service was on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March  
Norman Dursley whose funeral was on 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

**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 \*\*\*\*\***

**Lent Lunches in St. Mary's** – 4<sup>th</sup> April – Open Doors; 11<sup>th</sup> April At Wotton Baptist Church – Christian Aid.

**St. Mary's Palm Cross making Coffee morning** – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 10am – 11.30am. Come and have a natter, drink coffee and make some palm crosses!

**Cotswold Concerts** – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm. The Trio Kagura from Manchester will be playing at St. Mary's. Tickets available on the door.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 6pm** at Gateway Elim Church, Station Road, Yate BS37 4PH. "Lets Praise Him" – an evening of music, singing, great hymns and songs all to God's glory. To book your FREE tickets, please contact [enquiry@gatewayelim.church](mailto:enquiry@gatewayelim.church)

**Reflection Group at St. Mary's** – meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm at St. Mary's. For singing, readings and discussion.

**This is no yolk!** - We have 600 eggs to fill with the Easter story and some chocolate too, ready for the St. Mary's Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

Are you free on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm, to do this eggsacting and eggciting job? There will be refreshments available.  
Thank you *Kate Tutty 844371*

**School Easter Services welcomers wanted!** – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 10am and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 12.45pm. Please let Kate in the office know if you can help.

**Easter Saturday – Easter Egg hunt at St. Mary's.** If you are able to help on the day, please let the office or Kate T know.

**Maundy Thursday at St. Mary's** – There will be a simple meal from 6pm. A sign up sheet for attendance will be at the back of St. Mary's. If you are able to help, please indicate this on the sheet.

### **Church Electoral Roll**

**St. Mary's - A NEW Church Electoral Roll is being prepared by Mon 7<sup>th</sup> April & will take effect from 26<sup>th</sup> April. This is in readiness for the APCM on Sun 11<sup>th</sup> May after the morning service.**

You are invited to have your name entered on the new roll by completing a new application form – **necessary whether your name is on the present roll or not.**

Attendance & voting at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May & holding elected parochial office are conditional on being recorded on the new Roll.

Application forms are available at the back of church. Please return in the box provided or direct to me.

Roger Wyse, Electoral Roll Officer