

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 20th October

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 21st October

Wednesday 22nd October

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

Thursday 23rd October

Friday 24th October

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's
5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's
6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 25th October

Sunday 26th October – 19th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's
9.30am Non Communion service at St. Mary's – Open Doors Speaker
6.00pm Choral Evensong with Dean of Glos Cathedral

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Joel 2: 23-end or Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-17 or Jeremiah 14: 7-10, 19-end

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Gospel: Luke 18: 9-14

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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:

<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.

4 Alike our prayer and praise express
the wants of humankind,
that those in bondage and distress
their larger freedoms find.

5 So may we still maintain the fight
till earth's oppressions cease
before the universal right
to liberty and peace.

6 In Christ we learn to love and care
and spread his truth abroad;
and in his Name we lift our prayer:
'Your kingdom come, O Lord.'

Clive Harmer is running the Stroud Half Marathon on Sunday

26th October – in aid of Stroud District Foodbank

www.justgiving.com/page/clive-hamer-1

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 19th October 2025

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

9.30am Non Communion service at St. Martin's

11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening. You have the words of
eternal life.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31: 27-34

²⁷The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. ²⁸And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. ²⁹In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

³⁰But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord.

³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Genesis 32: 22-31

²²The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking."

But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."

²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."

²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed."

²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him.

³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."

³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned & firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵& how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God & is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction & for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

¹In the presence of God & of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living & the dead, & in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, & encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴& will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there

was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent."

⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."

⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Oliver & Despina who got married on Wednesday 8th October at St. Mary's

Edith & Ada who got baptised at Tresham Church on Sunday 12th October

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 October, St. Mary's is prayed for by the community.

***** NOTICES *****

Saturday 18th October 4 – 6pm – Silent Disco at St. Mary's.

Tickets available from Cotswold Book Room or on the door.

Perfect to bring youngsters to – licensed bar!

Do you have any jewellery you no longer need/want?? – Kate T will gladly take it off your hands – even if it is broken. Kate will be running a jewellery stall at the November Read with Me Fair. Either give it to Kate T directly, or drop it in to the office.

Benefice All Souls Service – Sunday 2nd November at 3pm at St. Mary's Church. If you would like a name read out at the service, either put it on the lists that are at the back of the churches, or let Kate know – office@tyndalebenefice.co.uk / 01453 842175
Can you help with cake? Could you provide a cake or something for the tea after the service?

Can you help on the day? – volunteers required to help service tea and cake after the service.

Please let Kate in the office or Lesley know

Children's Society House Box Holders - My apologies that there hasn't been a House Box Opening Coffee Morning during 2025. I will be sending some house box money to the Children's Society before the end of the year. If you would like your box to be emptied during the next few weeks, please let me know and I will arrange to collect it. Alternatively, you can leave your box with Kate in the Parish Office. All being well there will be a coffee morning early in 2026. With thanks for your continued support.

Dot Moss Tel: 844886

Wotton – Hymn for Sunday

1 We bring you, Lord, our prayer and praise
that every child of earth
should live and grow in freedom's ways,
in dignity and worth.

2 We praise for such a task begun
to serve each other's need,
for every cause of justice won,
for every fetter freed.

3 Our prayers are for a world in pain
where force and fear prevail,
the plough becomes the sword again,
and hope and harvests fail.

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