

## 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 16<sup>th</sup> February**

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Shrove Tuesday**

12.00pm Ploughman's & Pancakes at North Nibley Chapel  
4.00pm Pancake Party at St. Mary's

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Ash Wednesday**

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's  
10.15am Coffee and Chat after morning service  
5.15pm Junior Choir Practice  
7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service at St. Mary's

### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

12.00pm Lent Lunch at St. Mary's in aid of Dagoretti Corner  
1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's  
6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

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

### Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 5: 12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

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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.

As you are aware, Lesley dislocated her shoulder whilst on retreat in Scotland. Although she is back amongst us, she will be working limited hours until further notice. If you need an urgent response to anything, please let me know in the office and I can prioritise things. Lesley would love some visitors – but please contact her before turning up!!

Tyndale



Benefice

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

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Sunday before Lent

### Services

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's  
9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's  
11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

### Collect

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness  
and your glory  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Post Communion Prayer

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to change and save.  
This we ask 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 - Lectionary**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Exodus 24: 12-end**

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."

So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Peter 1: 16-end**

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

### **Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"

When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

### **For your prayers:**

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

Bruce Holman whose memorial service will be on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 12pm at St. Mary's

Christine Cannon whose funeral is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am at St. Mary's

Susan Salmon whose funeral is on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at midday at St. Mary's

Peggy Cross who died recently (From Hillesley & Wotton)

Edna Parker whose funeral service was on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

**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.

If you miss the names of the people being prayed for on a Sunday, please contact the office for a copy.

*In February, please pray for Synwell Chapel and its congregation*

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

**Lent Books** – coming to St. Mary's on 1<sup>st</sup> Feb – sign up sheets at the back of the church – plus descriptions.

**Concert at St. Mary's** on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March starting at 3pm. Tea and cake available. **Moonrakers** (Celtic harp, cello, stringed instruments, whistles, female/male vocals), pride themselves on having brought traditional and contemporary folk music to new audiences in village halls, churches, arts centres and festivals across the UK. With songs and tunes from the English, Irish, Welsh and Scottish tradition as well as their own compositions, they've been described as "startlingly talented" (Oxford Times), with five albums of "exquisite music" (BBC) and "truly wonderful" (Wycombe Festival) performances. 2026 sees the launch of their latest album 'I Am The Mountain' which has received glowing reviews in the music press ("The real deal", The Living Tradition; "Uplifting, sensitively crafted songs and tunes" FATEA magazine). Their music also featured in the BBC television drama 'Beyond Paradise'. To see and hear more, go to [www.moonrakers.net](http://www.moonrakers.net)

**Wotton Concert Series – featuring our own Jed Hughes** – at St. Mary's Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, at 7.30pm. Tickets from [www.wottonconcertseries.co.uk](http://www.wottonconcertseries.co.uk)

### **St. Mary's Pancake Party, February 17th, 4 -5.30pm -**

Help needed with tossing pancakes, organising pancake races, pancake games and crafts. Please contact Kate Tutty 01453844371

**St. Mary's Experience Easter Event** – afternoon of 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March. Volunteers are needed to help this event run. We are looking to get around 500 local primary school children to "Experience Easter" and are in need of the following: Story tellers; potential small acting parts; welcomers; guides; refreshments. All the churches in Wotton are being asked for assistance as this is a CTiW event. Please let Kate C or Lesley know when you might be available (days or part days!) and which role you might like. Sign up sheets at the back of St. Mary's

**Children's Society Coffee morning at St. Mary's** – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – 10am – 12pm – pop it in your diaries!

### **Ploughman's and Pancakes at the Chapel North Nibley -**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 12.00pm. "Pay as you feel"; all proceeds to Christian Aid. Please contact Jill Stephens 07778 036699 for tickets so that we know how many to cater for.

**St. Mary's Eco church meeting** on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm, in Parish Room – every one welcome

**North Nibley's World Day of Prayer** Service will be held at Nibley Chapel, Barrs Lane at 3.45pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. The service this year has been compiled by people from Nigeria. If anyone has any fabric or artefacts from the country for display, please bring along with you. All welcome!

**St. Mary's World Day of Prayer** – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 11am at St. Mary's – this will be followed by a Soup Lunch – all proceeds to World Day of Prayer.