

## Services and Meetings this week

St. Kenelm's & Tresham Church: open weekdays 10 – 6pm

St. Mary's opens daily 9am – 6pm. St. Martin's opens daily: 8.30am-6pm

### **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

10.00am Holy Communion at Perry & Dawes

### **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**

### **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's

2.15pm Mothers Union – Rachel Howgego, Journey with my cello

5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

11.30am Funeral service for Clive Wytchard at North Nibley Cemetery

### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

### **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's

10.00am Holy communion at St. Mary's

No Service at Tresham Church

### Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Hosea 5: 15-6: 6

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 4: 13-end

Gospel: Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

### **Clergy:**

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### **Alderley (including Tresham) Churchwardens:**

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[www.wottonparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.wottonparishchurch.org.uk)



St Mary's Wotton

[www.northnibleychurch.uk](http://www.northnibleychurch.uk)

**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. Following her surgery, she is now signed off 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 visitors – but please contact her before turning up!

**A prayer for Iran by the Rt Revd Guli Francis-Dehqani - who herself was a refugee from Iran when she fled to the UK with her family in '79**

Ever - loving God, who hears us in our anguish and distress, and longs for us to be free.

We pray for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East, at this time of fear and uncertainty.

Be near to those who are anxious; bring comfort to all who are suffering.

Guide those with the power to make decisions,

and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation: that people of goodwill would seek harmony and reconciliation.

Join us with our Christian brothers and sisters in all places,

in praying for peace with justice, through him who is the prince of peace,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Trinity Sunday

### **Services**

11.00am Benefice Holy Communion with Jo Wetherall at St. Martin's

### **Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.

**All: Alleluia.**

## Principal Readings - Lectionary

### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** *Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-end*

<sup>12</sup> Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens? Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket, or weighed the mountains on the scales and the hills in a balance?

<sup>13</sup> Who can fathom the Spirit of the LORD, or instruct the LORD as his counsellor?

<sup>14</sup> Whom did the LORD consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge, or showed him the path of understanding?

<sup>15</sup> Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales; he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust.

<sup>16</sup> Lebanon is not sufficient for altar fires, nor its animals enough for burnt offerings.

<sup>17</sup> Before him all the nations are as nothing; they are regarded by him as worthless and less than nothing.

<sup>27</sup> Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God"?

<sup>28</sup> Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

<sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

<sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;

<sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** *2 Corinthians 13: 11-end*

<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

<sup>12</sup> Greet one another with a holy kiss. <sup>13</sup> All God's people here send their greetings.

<sup>14</sup> May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

### **Gospel:** *Matthew 28: 16-end*

<sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

### **For your prayers:**

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

Anne Sharp whose funeral was on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at St. Martin's Clive Wychard whose funeral is on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am at North Nibley Cemetery

Tony Jellings whose funeral is on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm at Westerleigh Crematorium

**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 May, please prayer for Wotton Baptist Church*

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

**A Plant Sale** with delicious homemade teas and children's treasure hunt is being held at **St Kenelm's Church, Alderley, on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May from 2-5pm** in aid of the Friends of Alderley Church – please do come!

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** - The Mothers' Union will meet in the church at 2.15 when Rachel Howgego will give a talk entitled 'Journey with My Cello' which will include Rachel playing her cello for us. Everybody is welcome.

The group will be running a toiletry stall at the forthcoming church fete. Please could you start saving suitable items for us. Thank you.

**Volunteers requested at St. Mary's on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** from 11.15am until 1.15pm – to help with Blue Coat School visit – mainly serving refreshments.

**500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the translation of the New Testament by William Tyndale** – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm at The Tyndale Monument and also 3.30pm at St. Martin's Church – run by The Trinitarian Bible Society

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June** – Edna Parker's family will be attending the morning service at 10am and would welcome seeing anyone there who knew Edna.

**New Organ at St. Martin's** – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 3pm, St. Martin's will be celebrating the arrival of their new organ. Join in your favourite hymns and enjoy a cream tea.

**St. Mary's Church Fete – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July. This is the main fundraiser of the year, for the church.** - Please put the date in your diary.

Can you help for an hour or two serving teas, selling books or toys, helping with children's games, toiletries, bottle store, serving Pimms, folding raffle tickets, helping on the fruit tombola or plant store or selling nearly new clothes and jewellery. Please let Kate T or C know or sign up on the rota sheet which is in church

**Good quality Children's Toys and Books** – If you are having a clear out in the next few weeks, please let Sharon Dove (07780 003166) have anything you think might be suitable for the Children's stall at the Church Fete. Either drop with her or leave with me in the office.

**Tony Raphael** - Tony's funeral is on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2.30pm at the Waterside Chapel Westerleigh Crematorium, Westerleigh Rd, Westerleigh, Bristol BS37 8QP. We are asking that people arrive 15 minutes before the service. If earlier, there is a cafe on site and lovely grounds to wander in (if the weather is nice).

Please email or text Jenny [raphael.jenny@gmail.com](mailto:raphael.jenny@gmail.com) / 07857087212) if they're able to attend. We have booked a post-service gathering at Ye Olde Inn Westerleigh.

Dress is informal. Do wear some colour if you would like to.

We would also love to hear any memories, stories and reminiscences of Tony.

**Wotton School Bibles** – it's that time of year when the Year 6 children of Wotton leave primary school. Churches Together in Wotton give each of them a Bible at their leaving services. If you would like to donate to this wonderful gift, please fill in the envelope at the back of the church or talk to Mary B about donating straight into the bank account.

**Does anyone know of a spare garage** or storage space that can be rented in Wotton? This is for a local family who have a large canoe & bikes to store. Their home has no garage/garden or access to rear. please PM me if you can help. Thank you. Rev Lesley