

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 29th June

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

Tuesday 30th June

10.00am Pastoral Care Meeting in Lesley's office

Wednesday 1st July

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's

2.15pm Mothers Union Meeting in St. Mary's

5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Thursday 2nd July

2.00pm MU Deanery Celebration in Cam

7.00pm Deanery Synod in Cam

Friday 3rd July

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's

4.00pm Lesley's Social in her office

6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 4th July

Wedding of Andrew & Miranda at St. Kenelm's

Sunday 5th July – 5th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Family Service at St. Martin's

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

11.30am Baptism of Bobbi at St. Mary's

3.00pm Junior Choir Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Zechariah 9: 9-12

2nd Reading: Romans 7: 15-25a

Gospel: Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-end

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St Mary's Wotton

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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.

Lesley's Socials

Lesley is starting a soft return to work. She now has the work mobile!

In July she will be having a number of social events that you are all invited to:

Friday 3rd July at 4pm – Lesley's office in Wotton

Thursday 9th July at 10.30am – Lesley's house in North Nibley

Monday 13th July at 10.30am – Lesley's office in Wotton

Thursday 30th July at 7pm – Lesley's office in Wotton for wine & nibbles

Please let Lesley or the office know if you are going, so we can ensure there is enough cake!

Tyndale



Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

Alderley (including Tresham)

Sunday 28th June 2026

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Services

9.30am Holy Communion at St. Martin's

9.30am Café Church at St. Mary's

6.00pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary**1st Reading:** *Jeremiah 28: 5-9*

Then the prophet Jeremiah replied to the prophet Hananiah before the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD.

He said, "Amen! May the LORD do so! May the LORD fulfill the words you have prophesied by bringing the articles of the LORD's house and all the exiles back to this place from Babylon.

Nevertheless, listen to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people:

From early times the prophets who preceded you and me have prophesied war, disaster and plague against many countries and great kingdoms.

But the prophet who prophesies peace will be recognized as one truly sent by the LORD only if his prediction comes true."

2nd Reading: *Romans 6: 12-end*

Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.

For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law but under grace? By no means! Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations. Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel: *Matthew 10: 40-end*

"Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.

Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward.

And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

For your prayers:***For the family and friends of:***

Clive Wytchard whose memorial service was on Friday 19th June at St. Martin's

Sheldon and Lisa who are getting married on 27th Jun at St. Mary's

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 June, please pray for the priests and congregation at Holy Cross Church.

Wednesday 1st July - The Mothers' Union will meet in the church at 2.15 for an informal celebration of the 150th anniversary of the charity. All welcome.

Sunday 5th July 3pm – St. Mary's Junior Choir will be having an evensong – all are welcome to come along and see what amazing choristers there are in St. Mary's.

St. Mary's Church Fete – Saturday 11th July from 10.30am until 2.30pm. Volunteers are still required for some stalls – if you can spare an hour or 2, that would be amazing. Kate C is taking all donations in the office – we are lacking in bottles at the moment. If you have any freezer space, that is greatly appreciated too. Loans of cool boxes to keep the Pimms cool are also required. Let Kate C or T know.

Sunday 26th July at 11am – St. Mary's Church – Benefice and community service for Lesley. Come along to our farewell service for Lesley. There will be a buffet lunch following the service at around 12pm – do come along to both or either – Sarah Beale is catering, so we ask for a suggested donation of £10 for over 15 and overs and £5 for 4 – 14 year olds. Contact Kate in the office for more details.

Choral Evensong Sunday 26th July at 6pm – Lesley will be leading this musical evening. There will be sherry and nibbles following the service.

Wotton Baptist Church Holiday Club – Mon 20th July – Fri 24th July, mainly mornings – Karen Dover is in need of helpers. If you can volunteer for however long, please get in touch with her – karend@wottonbaptist.org.uk

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.

St. Mary's Eco Church have a new poster on the board by the font. Do have a look at it. There are lots of suggestions and plans for the summer months.

Ageing Gracefully – a joint course between the Tyndale Benefice and The Keepers, to be held at The United Church. A 6 week course for Christians who wish to explore some of the theological issues raised by an aging society. Starts on 5th October. More details to come out in September.