

## Notices and Forthcoming Events

- A very big thank you to everyone who helped with Hidden Gardens last weekend. We were blessed with lovely weather which brought out lots of visitors to the village, which made for a lovely atmosphere. Thank you to those who opened their gardens, to the stewards, those who helped with coffee/teas/cream teas, lunches and refreshments. Thank you to those who made cakes and scones. Thank you to those who sold tickets and collected money. Thank you to Cooper & Tanner and Rose Farm for their support. Thank you to those who visited the gardens. It was a huge team effort and resulted in a profit of £8,250 for St. Mary's General Fund.

And thank you in particular to Heather Hector and all her team!!

- If you have a **btinternet** email address.....you have not been dropped off the mailing list for the e-newsletter. Unfortunately, it does not seem to like stmarywedmore email address so they keep bouncing back, please check you settings.
- The '**Parish Walk**' will return on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July. This takes in all four churches, with prayers or short services at each and begins with Holy Trinity Sunday Breakfast. There is information in the churches as well as a sign down sheet. Please indicate how much of it you would like to take part in.
- A **vocal workshop** is being held in Wedmore Village Hall on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 10-12.30pm. All welcome, especially those interested in being part of the pop up proms on 20<sup>th</sup> September. Please contact [hannah@hannahkirk.co.uk](mailto:hannah@hannahkirk.co.uk) if interested.
- **Wedmore's 40/30 cycle ride** is back this year on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August. Here is the link to book your place: <https://www.westonhospicecare.org.uk/event/wedmore-40-30/> There is a 40,30,70 and the 12 mile friendly route this year.
- Thank you to all who came to the information evening about the project to put **solar panels** on the roof of St Mary's. For those who are interested to find out more and would like to have their say please look at <https://www.greenwedmore.co.uk/st-marys-solar>
- This Sunday is a **5th Sunday** so we join together as a benefice to worship, this time at Christchurch Theale at 10.30am.
- **Facebook Live morning prayer** will take a break from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July.
- **Wedmore Twinning** is holding an old fashioned fete in and around St Mary's on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August from 11am. All welcome. This year sees the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the twinning link with St Medard de Guizieres near Bordeaux and our French friends will be visiting that weekend.
- There is no service at Allerton Church next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July – too many people are away.
- **Online services and contact details**



<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/10871> for Updates, newsletters and more.



<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-Wedmore-384215139101196/> Daily Prayer at 9.00 a.m. [Click here for the order for service](#) (also available on our website)



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCocp711gYqJ2q0YJ5O2Qifg/> Our YouTube channel where you will find daily prayer and our Sunday Service videos

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**The Benefice of the Isle of Wedmore**  
**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025 St Peter and St Paul**

We thank God for the life and witness of those two great early apostles.  
 We pray that we may always be ready to proclaim Jesus and Lord and Messiah;  
 For those for whom family life is difficult or dysfunctional;  
 that we will be able to play our own full part in our church family;  
 that we may display the unity given us in Christ in all our relationships;  
 for those laid low by mental illness;  
 for those being ordained priest or deacon this Petertide;  
 for a raising up of those called to public ministry;  
 for the children in our churches that they may grow in faith;  
 The Sick: from our community –Michael (Red) Redman, Claire Clement, John Horne, Jean Winter, Don Scott and others for whom we have been asked to pray - Jamie Trotham, Anne Dyer, Ruth Dyer, Alistair Cree, Austin Ludlow, Sue Darley, Alistair Forster, Matt Hawkins, Dean Toby Wright and Elizabeth Nicholls.

**What's On This Week?**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June: St Peter and St Paul**

Christchurch	10.30am	Benefice Communion	Revd's J Hawes/T Connell
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**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

St Mary's	9.00am	Little Lambs Baby and Toddler Group
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**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

St Mary's	9.45am	Midweek Communion
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**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

St Mary's	9.30am	Fairtrade Café
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**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July: Trinity 3**

Holy Trinity	9.00am	Parish Communion	Revd Joy Hawes
St Mary's	10.30am	Café Church	Claire Gelder/Mary Clark
Christchurch	11.00am	Parish Communion	Revd Tony Connell
Allerton Church	12 noon	Christening of Henry Crosby	Revd Joy Hawes
St Mary's	6.00pm	Start the Week	Venetia Hopkins

## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul  
glorified you in their death as in their  
life:

grant that your Church,  
inspired by their teaching and  
example,  
and made one by your Spirit,  
may ever stand firm upon the one  
foundation,  
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.

## OLD TESTAMENT

### ZECHARIAH 4.1-6A, 10b-14

The angel who talked with me came again, and wakened me, as one is wakened from sleep. He said to me, 'What do you see?' And I said, 'I see a lampstand all of gold, with a bowl on the top of it; there are seven lamps on it, with seven lips on each of the lamps that are on the top of it. And by it there are two olive trees, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left.' I said to the angel who talked with me, 'What are these, my lord?' Then the angel who talked with me answered me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' He said to me, 'These seven are the eyes of the Lord, which range through the whole earth.' Then I said to him, 'What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?' And a second time I said to him, 'What are these two branches of the olive trees, which pour out the oil through the two golden pipes?' He said to me, 'Do you not know what these are?' I said, 'No, my lord.' Then

he said, 'These are the two anointed ones who stand by the Lord of the whole earth.'

## PSALM 125

1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, ♦

which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

2 As the hills stand about Jerusalem, ♦

so the Lord stands round about his people,

from this time forth for evermore.

3 The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway

over the land allotted to the righteous, ♦

lest the righteous turn their hands to evil.

4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good, ♦

and to those who are true of heart.

5 Those who turn aside to crooked ways

the Lord shall take away with the evildoers; ♦

but let there be peace upon Israel.

## NEW TESTAMENT

### ACTS 12.1-11

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the

Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

## **GOSPEL**

### **MATTHEW 16.13-19**

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but

others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

## **POST COMMUNION**

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in  
tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to  
preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of  
your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Next Week's Readings:**

Isaiah 66.10-14; Psalm 66.1-8; Galatians  
6.[1-6]7-16; Luke 10.1-11,16-20

Daily Readings: Romans 9.1-18; Romans  
9.19-end; Romans 10.1-10; John 11.1-16;  
Romans 11.1-12; Romans 11.13-24