


Notices and Forthcoming Events


- **Wedmore's 40/30 cycle ride** is back this year on Sunday 31st 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.
- St Mary's reordering – Most of the central nave floor has been restored and polished. Work to the remaining section is due to begin next week.

St Mary's clock – Repairs are due to be completed on 18th September.
- Next Sunday we will join together at **Holy Cross Mark** to celebrate alongside members of that church as we prepare to become a new benefice. Please note the time – 10am.
- **St Mary's Leap of Faith** is holding a meeting next Tuesday morning at 10.00 am to talk about our work with children for the forth coming school year. We will talk about Little Lambs, Messy Church, Seekers and Sunday Church. All children welcome and bring your parents and ideas along!
- **Forthcoming dates for your diaries:** Sunday 7th September – Allerton Pet Service: Saturday 13th September – Allerton Harvest Home: Sunday 14th September – Christchurch Harvest Festival and Lunch: Saturday 20th September – Wedmore Pop Up Proms: Sunday 28th September – St Mary's Harvest Festival and Lunch, Holy Trinity Harvest Festival and Supper: Thursday 2nd October – Wells Cathedral School Concert in St Mary's: Sunday 5th October – Allerton Harvest Festival at Ad Astra Cider Farm: Wednesday 8th, Friday 10th and Saturday 11th October – Wedmore Opera performances in St Mary's.
- **Mary Clark** is walking 30 miles in September to raise money for Dementia UK, a cause close to her heart as she often ministers to folk on the dementia ward in Weston General. She would be very grateful for any support and sponsorship. Go to <https://fundraise.dementiauk.org/fundraisers/maryclark> for further information.
- **Thank you** to all who helped mow, strim and clear in Christchurch Churchyard on Monday.
- The **Wednesday Home Group** begins again on Wednesday 10th September at 7.30pm. Speak to Richard if you would like to join this supportive study group.
- **Wedmore Opera's** production of La Traviata is in St Mary's Wednesday 8th, Friday 10th and Saturday 11th October. Tickets on sale now from their website and Paper Shop.
- **Holy Trinity Congregation** is invited to a bring and share lunch on Sunday 14th September from 1pm. Venue TBA. Guy and Jackie will be joining us.

- **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](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/UCocp711gYgJ2q0YJ5O2Qifg/> Our YouTube channel where you will find daily prayer and our Sunday Service videos

- You can contact us via email: stmarywedmore@gmail.com or on wedmorevic@gmail.com
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The Benefice of the Isle of Wedmore
SUNDAY 24th August 2025 Bartholomew the Apostle

We thank God that he is faithful to us;	
We pray	that our own faith may be sufficient;
	for those who have encouraged us in our faith journey;
	for the lonely and house bound in our villages;
	for those planning their future following exam results;
	for our local farmers and all those who work the land at this time of drought and climate pressure
	that we may not be held captive by a love of money and possessions.
	for the children and staff of the Lighthouse School Gaza and all facing disaster in that territory;
	for swift international action to bring aid and peace to Gaza.
The Sick:	from our community –Michael (Red) Redman, Claire Clement, John Horne, Jean Winter, Don Scott, Philip Stott 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.
RIP	John Buttler (Latcham); Jackie Anstey (Ian's mother); Alan Williams (Chapel Allerton)

What's On This Week?

Sunday 24th August: Bartholomew the Apostle

Allerton Church	9.00am	Parish Communion	Revd Tony Connell
St Mary's	10.30am	Parish Communion	Preb Richard Neill
Christchurch	11.00am	Morning Praise	LWA
Zoom Online	6.00pm	Evening Service	Preb Richard Neill

Tuesday 26th August

St Mary's	10.00am	Leap of Faith planning meeting
Around the Benefice	10.30am	Wheel and a Prayer

Wednesday 27th August

St Mary's	9.45am	Midweek Communion
St Mary's	10.30am	St Mary's Walking Group

Thursday 28th August

Sedgemoor Crem	1.00pm	Funeral of John Buttler
Holy Trinity	6.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday 30th August

St Mary's	12 noon	Visiting Bell Ringers
Holy Trinity	1.30pm	Wedding of Phil Dowler and Sarah Morgan

Sunday 31st August: Trinity 11

Holy Cross Mark	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Preb R Neill/Revd J Hawes
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COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
who gave to your apostle
Bartholomew grace
truly to believe and to preach
your word:
grant that your Church
may love that word which he
believed
and may faithfully preach and
receive the same;
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.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 43.8-13

Bring forth the people who are
blind, yet have eyes,
who are deaf, yet have ears!
Let all the nations gather together,
and let the peoples assemble.
Who among them declared this,
and foretold to us the former
things?
Let them bring their witnesses to
justify them,
and let them hear and say, 'It
is true.'
You are my witnesses, says
the Lord,
and my servant whom I have
chosen,
so that you may know and
believe me
and understand that I am he.
Before me no god was formed,
nor shall there be any after me.
I, I am the Lord,

and besides me there is no
saviour.
I declared and saved and
proclaimed,
when there was no strange god
among you;
and you are my witnesses, says
the Lord.
I am God, and also henceforth I
am He;
there is no one who can deliver
from my hand;
I work and who can hinder it?

PSALM 145.1-7

1 I will exalt you, O God my
King, ♦
and bless your name for ever and
ever.
2 Every day will I bless you ♦
and praise your name for ever
and ever.
3 Great is the Lord and highly to
be praised; ♦
his greatness is beyond all
searching out.
4 One generation shall praise your
works to another ♦
and declare your mighty acts.
5 They shall speak of the majesty
of your glory, ♦
and I will tell of all your
wonderful deeds.
6 They shall speak of the might of
your marvellous acts, ♦
and I will also tell of your
greatness.
7 They shall pour forth the story of
your abundant kindness ♦
and joyfully sing of your
righteousness.

EPISTLE

Acts 5.12-16

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people through the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared to join them, but the people held them in high esteem. Yet more than ever believers were added to the Lord, great numbers of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on cots and mats, in order that Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he came by. A great number of people would also gather from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

GOSPEL

LUKE 22.24-30

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at

the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

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:
Proverbs 25.6-7; Psalm 112; Hebrews
13/1-8,15-16; Luke 14.1,7-14

Daily Readings: Mark 2.23-3.6; Mark
3.7-19a; Mark 3.19b-end; Mark 4.1-20;
Mark 4.21-34; Mark 4.35-end

Psalm 115