

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 19th October

10.00am Morning Prayer at Perry & Dawes

2.00pm Funeral Service for Marueen Cleave at St. Mary's

2 – 4pm Ageing Gracefully Course at United Church

Tuesday 20th October

2.30pm Funeral Service for Douglas Petherick at Gloucester Crem

Wednesday 21st October

9.30am Holy Communion Service at St. Mary's

10.15am Coffee and Chat at St. Mary's

5.15pm Junior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

7.00pm Finance Meeting at St. Mary's

Thursday 22nd October

9.30am Harvest Service for The British School at St. Mary's

2.30pm Visiting bell ringers at St. Mary's

Friday 23rd October

1.30pm Art Group at St. Mary's

6.15pm Senior Choir Practice at St. Mary's

Saturday 24th October

Sunday 25th October – Last Sunday of Trinity/Bible Sunday

9.30am Communion Service at St. Martin's

10.00am Non Communion Service at St. Mary's

6.00pm Choral Evensong at St. Mary's

Principal Reading (from the Lectionary)

1st Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18 / Psalm 119: 9-16

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 / Colossians 3: 12-17

Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-end / Matthew 24: 30-35

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St Mary's Wotton

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.

Message from Kate T - Dear Friends, I want to express my deepest gratitude for the wonderful 'send-off' at the end of last Sunday's Service.

Thank you, Hil, for the lovely words set to a familiar hymn tune, ably supported by Anna and Kate and to Mary, for the words spoken by Archdeacon John and a beautiful bunch of flowers. I've loved being Churchwarden for just over two years because the 100+ jobs that get done each week/month so unobtrusively by you all, have made my role so much easier. St Mary's Church would not exist without you. Thank you for all you do.

It has been an absolute privilege serving you all, for your patience, love, unwavering support and fellowship. I thank God for each one of you.

I shall be around for a few more weeks until I find my next home.

Watch out Harpenden! *Kate*

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Benefice

Wotton-under-Edge with Ozleworth

North Nibley

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Sunday 18th October 2026

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

St. Luke

Services

9.30am Non Communion Service at St. Martin's

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

11.15am Holy Communion at St. Kenelm's

Collect

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
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.

Post Communion Prayer

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. Amen

or

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

All: Alleluia.

Principal Readings - Lectionary

1st Reading: Isaiah 35: 3-10

³ Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees.

⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you."

⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

⁸ A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.

⁹ No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there.

¹⁰ And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 5-17

⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

⁹ Do your best to come to me soon, ¹⁰ for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. ¹² I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. ¹⁵ You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

¹⁶ At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

Gospel: Luke 10: 1-9

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

For your prayers:

For the family and friends of:

Douglas Petherick whose funeral is on Tuesday 20th October at 2.30pm at Gloucester Crematorium

Maureen Cleave whose funeral is on Monday 19th October at 2pm 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 October, St. Mary's is prayed for. We give thanks to all those who are stepping up in the vacancy. Also we pray that a suitable person will step forward to work within the Benefice.

******* NOTICES *******

Read with Me Fayre – Saturday 14th November – St. Mary's have the opportunity to run a stall or 2 with the proceeds coming to the church. There is craft materials, greetings cards, paintings to sell – along with Jewellery. It would be great to get a team together to man the stall and help in the run up to the fair – if you can – please let Kate in the office know.

North Nibley Harvest Supper – Friday 16th October. – Curry or Cottage Pie – bring your own drinks. Food donations gratefully received. Contact Dawn Shepherd on mscewshepherd@gmail.com to book your place.

We need your help - Do you have time to clean an area of St. Mary's Church every two weeks on a Friday morning? Could you help once a month to clean the Church loos or the Servery? Contact Kate Tutty on 844371 for more information.

All Souls Service at St. Mary's – Sunday 1st November at 3pm. If you would like a name to be read out at the service, please write it on the sheet that is at the back of the church.

Cakes - Please may we have cakes for Sunday 1st November as it is the All Souls Service at 3pm. It's another opportunity for us to show hospitality to our community especially at a time when they are feeling a loss.

We usually welcome a large number of people so lots of your delicious cakes please!

Please contact Sharon Dove with offers of help and cakes 07780 003166 Thank you so much.

Next couple of weeks in the Benefice Office – Due to half term holidays and looking after my daughter following an operation, I will be doing a combination of working from home and being in the office – apologies no set hours of being at St. Mary's – so it is best to email or ring before coming over if you want to see me. *Kate C*