St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet Sunday 31st July 2022 – Seventh Sunday after Trinity

This sheet is also available online at <u>www.stmaryswistaston.blog</u>

Worship & Prayer in church & online for Sunday and the coming week Holy communion will be distributed at Communion Rail with `Priest intinction'

<u>In Church</u>

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10.40am at St Mary's - A joint service of Holy Communion with St Luke's

Colossians 3.1-11 & Luke 12.13-21

12.30pm: Baptism Service for Ebony Diana Challinor

and Neve Audrey Wareing

Wednesday 3rd August – Holy Communion at St Mary's

Next Sunday 7th August 2022 – Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9am at St Luke's – A service of Morning Prayer

10.40am at St Mary's - A Service of Holy Communion

Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16 & Luke 12.32-40

All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

<u>Online</u>

Every Sunday @ 10:40 am Live Streamed Worship from St Mary's [> YouTube (stream begins at 10:30am) facebook

YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1 & Facebook: <u>bit.ly/facebookstmarys</u> You can also join in by phone: just before 10:40am Call: 0203 051 2874 Meeting ID: 838 7878 9259 Participant ID (if asked): # Passcode: 567119

Morning Prayer is taking a break until Monday 5 September You can access MP from the Church of England each day at <u>bit.ly/cofeprayer</u> or on the phone at Daily Hope on 0800 804 8044

First Reading: Colossians 3.1-11 A reading from Epistle to the Colossians

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

A Thank You from Rev Paul

Wow, what a send off. THANK YOU.

I just wanted to say a great big thank you, on behalf of the whole family, for the wonderful send off you gave us on Sunday. The service was brilliant and I think I will introduce a warden bringing me a brew half way through every service; what a great idea! My final interview was a pure joy! I have watched it a few times now and laugh out loud every time. The time together with a delicious buffet was fantastic. Thank you for the extremely generous gifts that you have given to our family. We are very grateful.

I want to thank all at St Mary's and St Luke's for your kind and caring support over my ministry as your curate. The three years certainly flew by and were full of a great deal of unplanned challenges. You really have helped me to learn and grow over my time with you. Thank you. I want to thank the wardens and Mike for putting up with my crazy ideas and helping me to understand the inner workings of a parish. I am sure that will be put to good use here.

It is difficult to sum up in a few words all I want to say, but St Paul does in Philippians Chapter 1. "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:3-6. Thank you, God Bless, Paul.

Gospel Reading: Luke 12.13–21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you O Lord.**

Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.

Jesus replied, 'Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?' Then he said to them, 'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.'

And he told them this parable: 'The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. He thought to himself, "What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops."

'Then he said, "This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"

'But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"

'This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich towards God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

The Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in 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. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

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Anne Norman's funeral is on Monday 1 August, 1:45pm, at St Mary's and then to the Crematorium. Please remember her family in your prayers at this time.

Blodwen Chesworth's funeral is on Tuesday 2 August, 12 noon, at St Mary's and then to the Crewe Cemetery. Blod served as a verger at St Mary's for many years and was a member of the Guild of Vergers. We give thanks for the faithful service that she gave to God through St Mary's. Please remember her family in your prayers at this time.

Thank you to all those who helped and contributed towards Paul's leaving lunch last Sunday. I've had many very positive comments about it, so thanks to all who organised it. Also, we were able to give the following gifts to Paul thanks to your generosity, an OS Map, a novelty Mug, a Hydrangea plant and a financial gift of £440.00. Many thanks, Revd Mike. You can see some photos from the day at bit.ly/stmarys240822

The Ladies Afternoon Group – We will meet again after taking a break and will meet again on the 22nd September. We look forward to seeing you all in the Autumn. Ann and Frances.

Enabling all God's People: A service to celebrate our different abilities, led by the **Bishop of Birkenhead, with guest speaker Darius Traves.** The Diocesan Engagement and Inclusion Officer, the Revd Vanessa Layfield, invites you to come along to the service which takes place on 10 September at 2pm at St Michael's and All Angels', Bramhall. More info & Booking here: <u>bit.ly/enablingagp</u>

Glo Cafe at YMCA Crewe - Ghanaian Themed Dinner Party

On Friday 5th August, 6pm-9pm, Glo Cafe at YMCA Crewe will be hosting a special 3 course Ghanaian Themed Dinner Party. £20/head. Booking essential - for more information and to book your table, call or text Sharon on 07808018964 or book online at Eventbrite. This is a fundraising event for the YMCA Crewe.

Prayer for Ukraine Blog: bit.ly/weprayforukraine

- Receiving Communion
 You are invited to come up to the Communion Rail to receive Communion
 You will be offered a wafer dipped in wine
 If you would like to only receive the wafer please hold out <u>one</u> hand
 - For a Blessing keep your hands down
 - If you need to, or would prefer to, receive at your pew, please raise your hand and a Warden will make sure you receive it there