



# **St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet**

## **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 – Harvest Sunday**

This sheet is also available online at [www.stmaryswistaston.blog](http://www.stmaryswistaston.blog)

***Worship & Prayer in church & online for Sunday and the coming week***

*Holy communion will be distributed at Communion Rail with 'Priest intinction'*

### **In Church Worship**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 - Harvest Sunday**

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

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

**including Junior Church**

*Philippians 4.4-9, John 6.25-35*

**12 noon - A Bring and Share Harvest Lunch will be held in the Church Hall**

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**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 10am - Holy Communion at St Mary's followed by refreshments**

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**Next Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022 - Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity**

**9am at St Luke's – A Service of Holy Communion**

**10.40am at St Mary's – A Service of All Age Worship**

*2. Timothy 2.8-15, Luke 17.11-19*

*All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition*

### **Online Worship**

**The 10:40am service is streamed from St Mary's each Sunday**

**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**

**[YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1](https://www.youtube.com/StMarysWistaston1) & Facebook: [bit.ly/facebookstmarys](https://bit.ly/facebookstmarys)**

**Morning Prayer is taking a break until Monday 10 October.**

In the meantime why not check out Church of England Daily Prayer which can be found at [churchofengland.org](http://churchofengland.org)

There is also Daily Hope: a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers you can call at any time on 0800 804 8044

**Would you like a Church of England Daily Prayer App for your mobile or tablet? Go here: <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/daily-prayer>**

## First Reading: Philippians 4.4-9

### A reading from the Epistle to the Philippians.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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### A service of Remembrance for all affected by Baby Loss

**Sunday 9th October 3pm**

St Andrew's Church, Bedford Street, Crewe, CW2 6LE  
And live streamed on Facebook @StAndrewsCrewe

**If you would like your child's name read out and included in  
the prayers in the service, or have any other questions,  
please contact revpeterbennett@gmail.com (07710 533439)**

#### More information

**Sunday 9th is the start of Baby Loss awareness week  
( <https://babyloss-awareness.org/> )**

**The local charity Motherwell provides a range of support services to  
those suffering from baby loss. More information can be found here:  
<https://motherwellcheshirecio.com/our-services/cherry-blossom/>**



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## **Gospel Reading: John 6.25-35**

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**

**Glory to you O Lord.**

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, ‘Rabbi, when did you get here?’

Jesus answered, ‘Very truly I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.’ Then they asked him ‘What must we do to do the works God requires?’

Jesus answered, ‘The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.’

So they asked him, ‘What sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do?’

Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written: “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.”

Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’

‘Sir,’ they said, ‘always give us this bread.’

Then Jesus declared, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

### **The Collect for Harvest Sunday**

Eternal God, you crown the year  
with your goodness and you give us  
the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your  
glory, for the relief of those in need  
and for our own well-being; 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 of the harvest, with joy we  
have offered thanksgiving for  
your love in creation and have  
shared in the bread and the wine of  
the kingdom: by your grace plant  
within us a reverence for all that  
you give us and make us generous  
and wise stewards of the good things  
we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.

**Amen.**

## **News & Information**

Further news, information is available at

[stmaryswistaston.blog](http://stmaryswistaston.blog) & [stmaryswistaston.org.uk](http://stmaryswistaston.org.uk)

**It is with great sadness that I inform you of the death of Joan Powell.**

Joan has been a long-standing member of our congregation and a dear friend to us all - she will be greatly missed. Please keep her family in your prayers at this time. **Joan's funeral will be Friday 21 October at 1:45pm at St Mary's. Best wishes, Revd Mike.**

**Today, there is Bring and Share Harvest Lunch in the Church Hall at 12 noon, All Welcome!**

**Unfortunately, the heating boiler at St Mary's has broken, perhaps for the last time,** as it's nearly 50 years old and parts are hard to come by, if not impossible. We will hopefully have temporary heating in place for Sunday and it may take a while to fix or replace the heating. The Church of England's plan is to be net zero carbon by 2030 and we are required to explore alternatives to fossil fuels looking at renewable, green energy, sources.

**Exploring the Bible further. We have now restarted the Tuesday morning study group, the next meet will be the 4<sup>th</sup> October at 10.15am at 56 Bowness Road.** All Welcome! For further information speak to Jenny Varty or call on 01270 567618.

**Meeting for Prayer. This will be held on the first Thursday evening of each month at 7pm. The first meeting will be on the 6<sup>th</sup> October.** Open to anyone who would like to meet for prayer for our church and the world. All welcome, 56 Bowness Road. Thank you, Jenny Varty 01270 567618.

**Sunday refreshments – please if anyone can help** -Please can you add your name to the Rota if anyone can offer their services for Mid October onwards – thank you!

**Prayer for Ukraine Blog:** [bit.ly/weprayforukraine](http://bit.ly/weprayforukraine)