St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet Sunday 25th September 2022 – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

This sheet is also available online at 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 25th September 2022 – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

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

10.40am at St Mary's – All Age Worship

12.30pm - Baptism Service for George Churchill and Nancy Morrey

1 Timothy 6.6-19, Luke 16.19-31

Wednesday 28th September at 10am - Holy Communion at St Mary's followed by refreshments

Next Sunday 2nd October 2022 is 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
All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

12 noon - A Bring and Share Harvest Lunch in the Church Hall
If you can help to set up the Church Hall for our Harvest Lunch, please
come to the Church Hall at 6pm this Saturday

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 & Facebook: bit.ly/facebookstmarys

Morning Prayer on Zoom bit.ly/930mp, 9:30am – this week only on Monday, check the online calendar for this week bit.ly/stmcal

First Reading: 1. Timothy 6.6-19 A reading from First Epistle to Timothy

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time – God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might for ever. Amen.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 16.19-31

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you O Lord.

There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. 'The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, "Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire."

'But Abraham replied, "Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us."

'He answered, "Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment."

'Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them." "No, father Abraham," he said, "but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent." 'He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

The Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

News & Information

Further news, information is available at stmaryswistaston.blog & stmaryswistaston.org.uk

Thanks to all those who helped in opening St Mary's for prayer, reflection and the signing of the Book of Condolence for Her Majesty. A lot of people came in and were grateful for the church being open for them to do so.

Exploring the Bible further. We have now restarted the Tuesday morning study group which meets at 10.15am at 56 Bowness Road. Welcome back to those who came to groups before covid and a warm welcome to any others who would like to join us. 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 6th 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

For our Harvest Collection next week

We are asking for nonperishable Harvest gifts this
year. If you are shopping this
week please put a few of the
items below into your trolley
and bring them to our Harvest
Service next week to support
the great work the local Food
Banks do in our area.

