St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet Sunday 23rd October 2022 – Bible Sunday

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'

In Church Worship

23rd October 2022 – Bible Sunday & Last 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

Romans 15.1-6 & Luke 4.16-24

12.30pm – Baptism Service for Harper Sofia Ellam & Beatrix Ann Bowker

Wednesdays at 10am - Holy Communion at St Mary's followed by refreshments

Next Sunday 30th October 2022 – All Saints Day

10.40am at St Mary`s (joint service with St Luke's) – **All Age Holy Communion** *Ephesians* 1.11–23 & Luke 6.20–31

12.30pm – Baptism Service for Darcie Allen- Hopwood & Eve Haskell All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

Our annual Service of Commemoration at St Mary's is on Sunday 6 November at 6pm. Invites have been sent to those who we've conducted funerals for over the past three years; however, the service is open to anyone who would like to remember those whom they love but see no longer, no booking required, just come. In the service there is the opportunity for your loved one's name to be read out in an Act of Commemoration. It is easier, and preferred, if names are received in advance: names can be submitted here: <u>bit.ly/addnames2022</u> or there are slips in the porch. Please hand any slips personally to Revd Mike.

Online Worship

The 10:40am service is live streamed from St Mary's each Sunday on <u>YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1</u> & Facebook: <u>bit.ly/facebookstmarys</u> <u>You can also join in by phone:</u> just before 10:40am Call: 0203 051 2874 <u>Meeting ID:</u> 838 7878 9259 # Passcode: 567119

Morning Prayer is taking a break this coming week, back on 31 October

First Reading: Romans 15.1-6 A reading from the Epistle to Romans.

We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up. For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Gospel Reading: Luke 4.16-24

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

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, 'Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.'

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. 'Isn't this Joseph's son?' they asked.

Jesus said to them, 'Surely you will quote this proverb to me: "Physician, heal yourself!" And you will tell me, "Do here in your home town what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.""

'Truly I tell you,' he continued, 'no prophet is accepted in his home town.

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

Annual Shoebox Appeal

 We are partnering with <u>Teams4U</u>, based in Wrexham, to donate Christmas Shoeboxes to deprived children in Romania, Belarus, Bosnia, Moldova and Georgia. We will be accepting Shoeboxes in church from
Sunday 6 November until Wednesday 16 November. Leaflets in the porch & Flatpack Boxes are available for £1. To find out how to create a Shoebox and what to put in it please go here: <u>teams4u.com/shoebox-guide/</u>

News & Information

Further news, information is available at <u>stmaryswistaston.blog</u> & <u>stmaryswistaston.org.uk</u>

After nearly 50 years of service the heating boiler at St Mary's can't be repaired. We have temporary heating in place as it may take a while to replace the heating. We are required to explore alternatives to fossil fuels & renewable energy sources. Please dress warmly until this is resolved.

Exploring the Bible further, Tuesday morning study group at 10.15am at 56 Bowness Road. All Welcome! For info/dates - Jenny Varty 01270 567618.

Meeting for Prayer, first Thursday evening of each month at 7pm, the next meet is 4th November. Open to anyone who would like to meet for prayer for our church & the world at 56 Bowness Road, Jenny Varty 01270 567618.

Men's Group – 7.30pm Friday 11 November 2022 - Please join us at Ebenezers (159 Nantwich Road, Crewe – the old Beer Dock) for beer [non-alcoholic options avble], afterwards we will go somewhere for food. Open to all men over 18. Feel free to bring male family/friends. See you there! Howard.

Christmas Cake Decorating Demonstration by Elaine Turner on Saturday 19th November at 3pm in the Church Hall. Seasonal refreshments & raffle. Donations towards the Church Heating. See Elaine or Sarah Turnbull for info.

Ladies Afternoon Tea: It seems a very long time since the ladies from church had a social get together. We have a provisional booking for 1pm on Sunday 27 November at the Tea Lounge at Nantwich Football Club. The price is £14.95, please contact Joy Chaplow by Monday 7 November if you would like to come: 01270 747908, 07730 007966, email <u>chaplowjoy@gmail.com</u>

Cafe Wells Methodist - Every Friday, starting 28th October, will be open 10.30am to 1.30pm for refreshments, soup and a roll (donations). Run by friendly volunteers - come along for a chat and hot soup to keep warm.

Foodbank update: In September we have seen the highest number of people referred since January, an increase of 61% compared to August. We are very grateful for the continued support, to those who have donated food or given monetary gifts. **A specific thank you for organising Harvest collections**. Please continue to help us with longlife food items to see us through the Winter months.

Prayer for Ukraine Blog: bit.ly/weprayforukraine

The Church Office will be closed for Holidays w/c 24th October, we will be open Friday 28th and fully open again from 31st October, 9.30-12.30pm.