



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

Sunday 19th March 2023 – Mothering Sunday



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 19th March 2023 – Mothering Sunday

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

10.40am at St Mary's – All Age Holy Communion

Exodus 2.1-10 & John 19.25-27

Every Wednesday - Holy Communion at St Mary's at 10am
Followed by refreshments

Next Sunday 26th March 2023 - Passiontide begins
5th Sunday of Lent

We Welcome Canon David Taylor

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

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

Ezekiel 37.1-14 & verses from John 11.1-45

12.30pm at St Mary's - Baptism Service

Online Worship

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

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

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

on Zoom bit.ly/930mp, 9:30am on Monday & Thursday



To view/download this Weekly Sheet and Sunday Service Sheets then simply scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera or go to this address.

bit.ly/stmarysresources

We are doing this to try to save paper and printing costs and so reducing the amount of waste we have each week.

First Reading: Exodus 2.1-10

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the river-bank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. 'This is one of the Hebrew babies,' she said.

Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?'

'Yes, go,' she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you.' So the woman took the baby and nursed him. When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, 'I drew him out of the water.'

This the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

The Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and 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. **Amen.**

Post Communion

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gospel Reading: 19.25-27

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

Glory to you O Lord.

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing near by, he said to her, 'Woman, here is your son,' and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

St Mary's Wistaston & St Luke's Willaston Holy Week and Easter Services 2023

Maundy Thursday

7pm Holy Communion at St Luke's

Good Friday

2pm An Hour at the Cross at St Mary's

Easter Sunday

9am Holy Communion at St Luke's

10:40am All Age Holy Communion St Mary's



News & Information

stmaryswistaston.blog & stmaryswistaston.org.uk

Rachael Rivers will be joining us on a placement for Reader Training from Palm Sunday to early May. Rachael is based at St Mary's, Nantwich, and we look forward to welcoming her with us at our churches.

Lent Groups continue: Tuesdays at the Rectory, 7:30pm & Fridays at St Luke's at 10am

The Bible Study meeting is on 21st March. The Prayer Group meeting date is TBC, both meet at 56 Bowness Road, thanks Jenny Varty 01270 567618.

Morning Prayer on Zoom: Mondays and Thursdays at 9:30am, enter this link into any browser: bit.ly/930mp

The next Lent Lunch will be on 29 March in the Church Hall and will be Ploughman's Lunch at 12 noon priced at £4.50. Thanks, Chris. *Many thanks to Chris and Mike for the lunch last Wednesday, the soups were fantastic!*

Ladies Afternoon Group: We will next meet at our Lent Service at St Mary's Church at 2 pm on 23rd March followed by tea/coffee and biscuits in the hall afterwards. Looking forward to seeing you all. Frances

The Church Hall: you may, or may not have noticed, that over the past month, the Church Hall has had a lick of paint (on the lower walls and skirting) and the floor has been polished. This has been done by a small band of people from our own congregation and has made a huge difference, many thanks to them for doing this.

Thanks to those who have volunteered to clean at St Mary's, however, we need some more people to join in. It can be done at any time the church is free, towards the end of the week preferred. There is a cleaning kit and vacuums available and a key safe so as you can clean at a time that suits you. For safety, please do it in pairs, there's a rota in St Mary's porch.

Help support St Mary's by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. Raise donations whenever you shop online over 7,000 brands incl John Lewis, eBay, Argos, M&S & more. Once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it! Sign up today - it will make a BIG difference to us this year: bit.ly/stmaryseasyfundraising

Prayer for Ukraine Blog: bit.ly/weprayforukraine