

St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet
Sunday 6th August 2023 – Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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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 6th August 2023 – Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9am at St Luke's – Morning Prayer

10.40am at St Mary's – Holy Communion

Romans 9.1-5 & Matthew 14.13-21

All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

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

Next Sunday 13th August 2023 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity

We welcome Canon David Taylor to our Churches

9am at St Luke's – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary's – All Age Worship

Romans 10.5-15 & Matthew 14.22-33

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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 Tuesday & Thursday this week.



To view/download Sunday Service Orders then simply scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera or go to this address. bit.ly/serviceorders

First Reading: Romans 9.1-5

A reading from the Epistle to the Romans

I speak the truth in Christ – I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit – I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, for ever praised! Amen.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

The Collect

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14.13-21

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

Glory to you O Lord.

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were ill.

As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so that they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.'

Jesus replied, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'

'We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,' they answered.

'Bring them here to me,' he said. And he told the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion

Holy Father,

who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

News & Information

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It is with great sadness that we inform you of the recent death of George Wardy. We don't have any further details of his funeral at the moment, but we will keep you informed.

At the last PCC it was decided that we would return to offering the Chalice at Communion from September. It was also acknowledged that some people may prefer to keep to '*Priest intinction*', our current practice. Both will be available from September. If you haven't filled a survey slip in already, please do so to help Revd Mike plan accordingly.

There will not be any after church refreshments at St Mary's during August. However, there will be a Picnic at the Rectory (104 Church Lane) on Sunday 20 August straight after St Mary's Service. Sarah & Mike invite you to join them (weather permitting!) in their garden for a picnic. Please bring your own food, drinks, picnic glasses, a camping chair or rug, all the things you would normally take on a picnic, and we'll supply the tea & coffee. In the event of rain, which we know is unlikely during the British summer, it will be in the Church Hall.

The total for Christian Aid Week, including gift aid, was almost £5,000 and likewise the CA Sponsored Swim, including gift aid. So, if you add in the earthquake appeal and our Morrison's collection, we have raised about £10,000 this last year, which is marvellous!

LAG trip to RHS Bridgewater was an enjoyable day out. We only had one tremendous shower and managed to shelter. The gardens were superb. The Western walled gardens were a delight with an abundance of plants, trees and bushes in an array of colours and scents. The wild flowers were spectacular and the insects plentiful. The Ellesmere Lake and surrounding rocky waterfalls stunning. Many enjoyed the eateries which were available. Thank you all for making this day memorable. Looking forward to meeting in September. We wish Alice, and Tess a speedy recovery. Frances, Ann and Pam.

The Tuesday Bible study group and Prayer groups will now take a break and will meet again in September, dates to be advised. Thank you, Jenny V.

Hope Church, Crewe are appealing for men's clothes and shoes for their aid to Asylum Seekers that have been placed in Crewe, please if you have any clothes and shoes you can donate, please bring to our Church and Catherine Gallagher will arrange to take them to Hope Church.

Prayer for Ukraine Blog: bit.ly/wepayforukraine