

St Mary's & St Luke's Weekly Information Sheet
Sunday 3rd September 2023 – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

This sheet is also available online at www.stmaryswistaston.blog

Worship & Prayer in church & online for Sunday and the coming week
The Chalice is now offered at the Communion Rail along with Priest Intinction.
Please see the back page for further information.

In Church Worship

3rd September 2023 – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am at St Luke's – Morning Prayer

10.40am at St Mary's – Holy Communion

Romans 12.9-21 & Matthew 16.21-28

All readings are taken from New International Version – UK edition

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

Next Sunday 10th September 2023 – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am at St Luke's – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary's – All Age Worship

Romans 13.8-14 & Matthew 18.15-20

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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 just Tuesday 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 12.9-21

A reading from the Epistle to the Romans

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practise hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay,' says the Lord. On the contrary:

'If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.'

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

This is the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

The Collect

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness

that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:

help us to proclaim the good news of your love,

that all who hear it may be drawn to you;

through him who was lifted up on the cross,

and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16.21-28

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

Glory to you O Lord.

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 'Never, Lord!' he said. 'This shall never happen to you!'

Jesus turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

'Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

News & Information

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George Wardy's funeral is at St Mary's, this Thursday 7 September, at 10:30am. If you knew George, please do come along & celebrate his life. Sunday refreshments start again on today, please sign up to do refreshments for future Sundays on the rota in the Church Hall.

The reintroduction of the Chalice at Communion. From today receiving the Chalice will, once again, be an option at our communion services at both churches, the Priest Intinction option will continue. Two separate Chalices will be used. Personal dipping of the wafer is not permissible at this time. Please do one of the following at the Communion Rail:

- For Priest Intinction, please hold out two hands, the dipped wafer will be given to you, then just don't take the Chalice as the assistant passes by
- For the Chalice, please hold out one hand, the wafer will be given to you and then you will be offered the Chalice (as we did pre pandemic)
- To receive just the wafer, please hold out one hand, the wafer will be given to you, then just don't take the Chalice as the assistant passes by
- Blessings, please keep your hands down by your sides

We welcome Rachael Rivers back with us as she continues her Reader Training based in our Parish.

Advanced notice that Harvest Sunday at both of our churches will be on Sunday 1st October – we will share the gifts between the Crewe & Nantwich Foodbanks.

The Tuesday Bible study group & Prayer groups will begin again in September, dates to be advised soon. Thank you, Jenny V.

An Appeal for surplus wool: Volunteer knitting group who knit for Nantwich Care homes are very short of wool of all kinds, especially chunky knit. Please if you have any left-over wool, please bring to the office or up to Church and we will pass this on to the group– contact Dot Wise 07955 238873- with thanks in advance.