

The Chalice is offered at the Communion Rail along with Priest Intinction
Gluten Free wafers are available at Communion

In Church Worship

15th October 2023 – Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity

We welcome Canon David Taylor to both Churches

9am at St Luke`s – Morning Prayer

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

Philippians 4.1-9 & Matthew 22.1-14

Every Wednesday 10am - Holy Communion

at St Mary`s followed by refreshments

This Wednesday we welcome Revd John Whitehead

22nd October 2023 – Twentieth Sunday After Trinity

9am at St Luke`s – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary`s – All Age Worship & Baptism

1 Thessalonians 1.1–10 & Matthew 22.15–22



For info: There is a Loop System installed in both of our churches.

At St Mary`s we have an accessible toilet available in the Choir Vestry (the door opposite where you came in) with baby changing facilities.

At St Luke`s there is an accessible toilet available via the church porch.



To help us to cut down on paper use and printing why not download Service Orders using the QR code or at bit.ly/serviceorders

This Weekly Sheet can be viewed online at stmaryswistaston.blog

Online Worship

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

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 is taking a break until 24 October

Please go to bit.ly/cofedailyprayer for daily Prayers from the C of E

First Reading: Philippians 4.1-9

A reading from the Epistle to the Philippians

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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 22.1–14

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

Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

‘Then he sent some more servants and said, “Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.”

‘But they paid no attention and went off – one to his field, another to his business. The rest seized his servants, ill-treated them and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

‘Then he said to his servants, “The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.” So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

‘But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. He asked, “How did you get in here without wedding clothes, friend?” The man was speechless.

‘Then the king told the attendants, “Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you, not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

News & Information

Holy Communion is available at the Communion Rail as follows: via Priest Intinction, hold out two hands, or you can receive wafer only, or wafer and the Chalice, by holding out one hand. If you can't get to the Communion Rail please let a Sidesperson know who will arrange Communion in the pew for you.

Thanks to all those who helped at the Infant Loss Service last Sunday. We still have the board in the transept, and paper butterflies available, if anyone would like to remember a child. Thanks, Mike.

All the Harvest donations have been received, with thanks, by the Foodbanks.

Our next meeting of the Ladies Afternoon Group is on Thursday 26 October when Gerald Newbrook will be speaking about '*A life in Engineering*'. Please could you remember to bring monies for the Christmas Meal £18 in total. We look forward to seeing you all. Many thanks, Frances.

Tuesday Bible study group will meet on 17th October & Prayer Group will begin Thursday 2nd November, then the 1st Thursday of each Month. Jenny V.

Once again this year we are partnering with Teams4U to donate Christmas Shoeboxes to Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Bosnia and Romania. Leaflets and shoeboxes are available at both churches. The deadline for drop-off at St Mary's is 12 November. For more info, or to fill an online Shoebox, please got to the Teams4U website: teams4u.com

This year's St Mary's Christmas Fair will be on Sunday 10th December in the Church Hall, after the Sunday Service. Chris and Mike Horne will again be providing their wonderful home produce of Pickles, Chutneys, Jams and Christmas Puddings for you to purchase.

Our annual Commemoration Service is on Sunday 5 November at 6pm at St Mary's. Invitations have been sent to the families of those whom we have conducted funerals for over the past 3 years. This said, the service is open to anyone who would value remembering a loved one who they have lost recently. All welcome!

Thank you to all those that have donated men`s Clothes, it is really appreciated, please continue to bring clothes in and Catherine will gladly take them on our behalf.

You can still bring in left-over wool to the office or to Church and we will pass this on to the knitting group, with thanks in advance.

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