

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

**In Church Worship**

**29<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Bible Sunday**

**10.40am Joint Holy Communion service with St Luke`s at St Mary`s**

Howard Barker from the Bible Society will be speaking to us  
about the work that the Bible Society

*Colossians 3.12-17 & Matthew 24.30-35*

**12.30pm at St Mary`s – Baptism Service**

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**Every Wednesday 10am - Holy Communion or Morning Prayer  
at St Mary`s followed by refreshments**

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**5<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – We celebrate All Saints Day**

**9am at St Luke`s – Morning Prayer**

**10.40am at St Mary`s – Holy Communion**

*1 John 3.1-3 & Matthew 5.1-12*

**6pm Commemoration Service at St Mary`s**

*see the back page for more information*



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.

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This Weekly Sheet can be viewed online at [stmaryswistaston.blog](https://stmaryswistaston.blog)

**Online Worship**

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

[YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1](https://YouTube.com/StMarysWistaston1) & Facebook: [bit.ly/facebookstmarys](https://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](https://bit.ly/930mp),

9:30am Tuesday & Thursday this week.

## First Reading: Colossians 3.12-17

### A reading from the Epistle to the Colossians

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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.**

## **Gospel Reading: Matthew 24.30-35**

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

**Glory to you O Lord.**

Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

‘Now learn this lesson from the fig-tree: as soon as its twigs become tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it<sup>[c]</sup> is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

### **Post Communion**

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.**

## News & Information

**It is with great sadness that I inform you of the death of Hilda Bailey,** her funeral is at St Mary's on Friday 3 November at 11:15am. Revd Mike.

**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. The service is open to anyone who would value remembering a loved one who they have lost recently.

**Remembrance Day Poppies are now available,** please see the collection boxes in the Church Hall and St Mary's Church Porch. Thank you.

**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. **LAST FEW WEEKS: the deadline for drop-off at St Mary's is 12 November.** For more info, or to fill an online Shoebox, please go to the Teams4U website: [teams4u.com](https://teams4u.com)

**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.

**Tuesday Bible study group** will meet on 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> November & **Prayer Group** is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November (first Thursday of each Month). Jenny V.

**This year's St Mary's Christmas Fair will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 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, Christmas Puddings and also the Hyacinths Bowls priced at £6 for you to purchase.

**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.

**The Church Hall will be closed** from Monday 13 November for 6 days (as long as all the work goes well), whilst the kitchen undergoes a refurb. The Office will remain open as normal.

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