

*St Mary's
& St Luke's
Wistaston & Willaston*

**Weekly Information Sheet
Sunday 10th March 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent**



Holy Communion is distributed as follows: to receive a wafer dipped in the wine, hold out two hands, or you can receive a wafer only, or a wafer and the Chalice, by holding out one hand. Hands by your side for a blessing. Please let a Sidesperson know if you need to have communion brought to you in the pew.

Gluten Free wafers are available at Communion.

Sunday 10th March 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mothering Sunday

9am at St Luke`s – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary`s – All Age Worship for Mothering Sunday

Exodus 2.1-10 & Luke 2.33-35

**Wednesday - 10am Holy Communion at St Mary`s
followed by Refreshments**

Sunday 17th March 2024 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

9am at St Luke`s – Morning Prayer

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

Hebrews 5.5-10 & John 12.20-33



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](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.

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 is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Holy Week and Easter Services

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



Gospel Reading: Luke 2.33 – 35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you O Lord.

The child's father and mother marvelled at what was said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: 'This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

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.

News & Information



The Lent Groups continue this coming week at the Rectory, Tuesdays at 7:30pm and repeated at St Luke's on Fridays at 10am, and lasting 1.5 hours.

Joan Tyrrell's funeral is at Crewe Crematorium this Tuesday 12 March at 12:15pm. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Ladies Afternoon Group: Our Lent Service is this Thursday, 14th March at 2pm, at St Mary's Church followed by tea and biscuits afterwards in the hall. Anyone still wanting to put their names down for the **Spring Lunch on 25th April** at the tea rooms at Nantwich Football ground please see Pam or myself asap. Many thanks. Frances

The St Mary's April Rota is in the porch. If you would like to join the Rota, but are not sure about it, please speak to Rachael or Mike.

The St Mary's Cleaning Rota needs people to sign up. The Rota is in the porch of the church – please consider signing up to keep St Mary's looking fantastic.

Advance notice of our Holy Week & Easter Services: Maundy Thursday

Communion, 7pm at St Luke's :: **Good Friday**, An Hour at the Cross, 2pm at St Mary's :: **Easter Sunday**, Holy Communion, St Luke's 9am & St Mary's 10:40am.

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) is on Sunday 14 April at 12 noon in St Mary's Church followed by a Bring and Share in the Church Hall. Ahead of the APCM, there will be a Revision of the Church Electoral Roll from 10 to 24 March, as this is only a revision, if you are already on the church's Electoral Roll, there is no need to reapply. All the details and the relevant forms are available at both churches and can be found bit.ly/apcminfo

Christian Aid Sponsored Swim: we had twelve swimmers who swam a total of 718 lengths ranging from 44 to 100 lengths over 2 hours. We raised from St Mary's and St Luke's around £500, a final total will be given when all donations are in. Thanks to all!



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