

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

**Weekly Information Sheet
Sunday 12th May 2024
Seventh Sunday of Easter**



*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 12th May – Seventh Sunday of Easter

We welcome Canon David Taylor to both of our Churches

9am at St Luke`s – Holy Communion

10.40am at St Mary`s – All Age Worship

1 John 5.9-13 & John 17.6-19

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

Sunday 19th May – Pentecost

9am at St Luke`s – Morning Prayer

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

Acts 2.1-21 & John 15.26-27:16.4b-15



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.

There is a Defibrillator at both churches – see the signs in the porch for the location

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: 1 John 5.9-13

A reading from the First Epistle of John

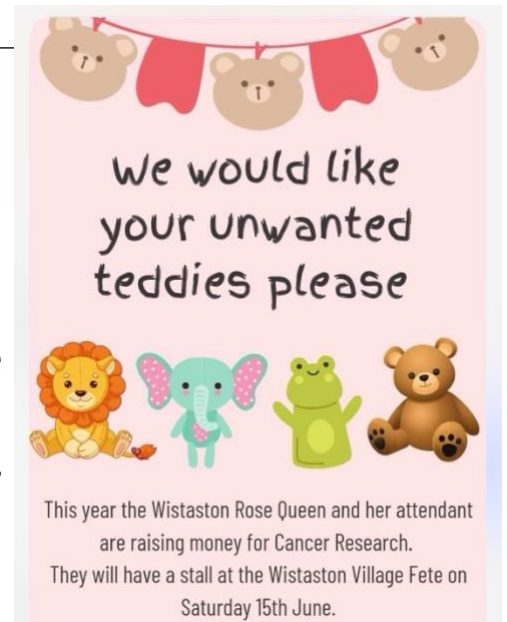
We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Rose Queen News! We are pleased to announce that our Rose Queen (RQ) for 2024/25 will be Lucia Kemp and her attendant will be Cerys McKeown. Our RQ Sunday is on 9 June at St Mary's when our current RQ, Sophie, will let us know about her year as RQ and Lucia will make her RQ Promise ahead of the Wistaston Village Fete on Saturday 15 June when she will be crowned. For her stall at the Fete Lucia is asking for unwanted teddies, they can be dropped into church or the office. She will be raising money for Cancer Research.



The Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Gospel Reading: John 17.6-19

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

Glory to you O Lord.

I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

‘I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news
we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

News & Information



Christian Aid Week is 12–18 May

If you would like to support Christian Aid Week this year you can do it in the following ways:

- ❖ complete an envelope available at both churches
- ❖ give securely online via our e-envelope: bit.ly/caw2024stmarys
- ❖ deliver and/or collect a round – there are a few available in the Choir Vestry

Thanks in advance, Sarah & Mike

On the Sunday 2 June Bishop Sam, the Bishop of Stockport, will be joining us at St Mary's at 10:40am. During his visit he will be receiving Rachael Rivers into the Communion of the Church of England. This is required before she is licensed as a Reader at Chester Cathedral on Saturday 12 October. Do come and meet Bishop Sam and support Rachael.

There will not be a service at St Luke's on 2 June as we join together at St Mary's. The St Mary's May & June 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.

Diary Date - Saturday morning, 1st June. We are planning a working party to Spring Clean St Mary's church and the Choir Vestry in preparation for the Bishop's visit on the Sunday. We'll meet at 9.30am and refreshments will be provided. We'll do the jobs which need doing, dependent on how many turn up to help! Thanks in advance.

St Mary's Cleaning Rota is in the porch of the church.

LAG Spring Lunch was enjoyed by all and very well attended. It was a great sociable event. Our next meeting is on May 23rd, when Jeremy Herbert will be talking on Sustainable Nantwich. **We still have spaces for our trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on July 11th.** MEN do not be put off, this trip although it is Ladies Afternoon Group is open to all!!!! Please see Pam or myself if you would like to join us. Looking forward to seeing you later on this month. Frances

Men's Group - 7.30pm Friday 7 June. Please join us at the Leopard [London Road, Nantwich] for beer [non-alcoholic options are available] afterwards we will go for an Indian or Thai meal [or we could eat in the Leopard]. Open to all men over 18. Feel free to bring male family & friends. No need to RSVP – see you there! Howard

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