St Mary's & St Luke's

Weekly Information Sheet Sunday 16th June 2024 **Third Sunday after Trinity**

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 16th June – Third Sunday after Trinity We welcome Canon David Taylor to our church today

There will be no Service at St Luke's today

10.40am at St Mary's - All Age Holy Communion

2 Corinthians 5.6-10,14-17 & Mark 4-26-34

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

Sunday 23rd June – Fourth Sunday after Trinity 9am at St Luke's - Holy Communion 10.40am at St Mary's - All Age Worship and Baptism 12.30pm - Baptism Service

2 Corinthians 6.1-13 & Mark 4-35-41







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 & 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: 2 Corinthians 5.6-10,14-17 A reading from the Second Epistle to the Corinthians

Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. For we live by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due to us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Mark 4.26-34

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark Glory to you O Lord.

He also said, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself the soil produces corn – first the stalk, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. As soon as the corn is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come.'

Again he said, 'What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.'

With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Events in the community through the Summer

- ◆ Saturday 22 June at 1pm is the Willaston World Worm Charming Championship at Willaston Primary Academy
- ◆ Saturday 6 July, 12pm-7pm, Willaston Garden Party, Lettie Spencer Playing field
- ◆ Saturday 17 August Flower and Produce Show
- ◆ Saturday 7 September Annual Duck Race (alternative date 14th)

News & Information

The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, is speaking at St Mary's Nantwich this Saturday 22 June at 7:15pm (doors open at 6:30pm). This is a free event and tickets are available at bit.ly/archbishofyork or Nantwich's Parish Office: 01270 625268 office@stmarysnantwich.org.uk

Ladies Afternoon Group News: Our next meeting is on Thursday 27th June when the Wells Green Singers will be entertaining us. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting. A reminder for those who are going on the trip in July to the National Memorial Arboretum, that the price for the coach is £15 to be paid asap. We still have spaces for our trip on July 11th. MEN do not be put off, this trip is open to all!! Please see Pam or myself if you would like to join us. Many thanks Frances. An opportunity to get involved at St Mary's. The PCC would like a couple of people to take on the role of setting up the Altar for Holy Communion and change the frontal etc when needs be. Also, we would like a few of people to cover the 12:30pm Baptisms by welcoming people and controlling the slides on the screen during the service. If you would like to know about either of these roles please speak in the first instance to Revd Mike.

Christian Aid Week update from Sarah Turnbull: the final total for this year was £600.00, which along with the money raised through the sponsored swim earlier in the year is amazing. After 15 years of being the Christian Aid rep for our church the time is right for me to hand it to someone else. Is this something you'd be willing to do? If so, please see me for more info about what is involved. It would be great if we could keep the fundraising going through our churches. Many thanks Sarah.

The St Mary's reading & prayer rotas for June, July & August are in the porch (they are now in a green folder along with all the other Rotas). If you would like to join the Rota, but are not sure about it, please speak to Rachael or Mike.

Reading at St Mary's, if it's easier, please use the Lectern at the Chancel Steps. If climbing the steps to the Main Lectern has stopped you from putting your name on the reading rota, then using the Chancel Lectern may help you to join the rota.

Save the Date! Saturday 13 July 10am-12 noon. Shed clearing and cleaning at St Luke's Church. We need some help to empty the shed, clean it, sort what is to be kept or recycled, and then put the items we're keeping back in.

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