

Diary for week Commencing 13 December 2015

Today	<i>Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304</i>
Monday	<i>John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591</i> 9.30am St. Martin's School Reception class Nativity 5.30pm Worle Village Primary School Christmas Service
Tuesday	9.30am Baby and Toddler Group Christmas Service 7.00pm Hospice Carol and Remembrance Service
Wednesday	9.30am Holy Communion (St. Mark's) 5.30pm Worle Village Primary School Christmas Service
Thursday	10.00am Holy Communion 11.00am Christmas Flowers 6.30pm Choir Practice 7.30pm Bell Ringers Practice
Friday	9.30am Cleaning Guild 9.30am Christmas Flowers
Saturday	2.00pm Senior's Carol Service
Next Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Advent [Duty Warden – Paul Elliott] 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am All-Together Holy Communion - Nativity 6.00pm Carols by Candlelight

Prayers

- For all those who bring care and comfort to the elderly and infirm at this time of year.
- For the Flower Guild and those who give their time decorating our beautiful church in preparation for Christmas.
- For those who are suffering from the recent adverse weather conditions and those who are bravely helping them to cope.
- For the nations of the world as they strive to find a solution to the ever present problems leading to the destruction of our environment.

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Monday - Friday

9.00am - 12 noon

Wednesday

7.00pm - 8.00pm

(by appointment only)

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BAPTISM & WEDDING

ENQUIRIES

At the Parish Office

During normal opening hours



Sunday 13 December Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Philippians 4: 4 - 7
Luke 3: 7 - 18

10.00am Christingle Service

Hymns and Reading:

83 Come and join the celebration

420 Like a candle flame

393 Joy to the World

445 Lord the light of Your Love is shining

Reading: John 1: 1 - 14

Evening services within the parish

St. Martin's No service

St. Lawrence No Service

Mead Vale Evening Prayer

- Children are very welcome and encouraged in church—there are supervised activities for the children which take place during the service in Worle Village Primary School or if they prefer they can stay with their parents.
- There is a crèche to which parents/carers can bring their child, which takes place in the bell tower. Children must always be accompanied in this area by their parent/carer.
- A special welcome if you are not a regular member of our congregation. If you're unable to take Holy Communion please come forward for a blessing and carry the Communion book with you so that we may recognise your intentions.

Verses and Readings for Third Sunday of Advent

"Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world." (v5)

8.00am Readings

Philippians 4: 4 - 7 - Paul exhorts the Philippians: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." (v6)

Luke 3: 7 - 18 - "And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them." (v18)

10.00am Readings to be advised

John 1: 1 - 14

Readings for 20 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00am & 10.00am - Hebrews 10: 5 - 10 * Luke 1: 39 - 45

6.00pm - Carols by Candlelight

Prayers

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;
kindle us in the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

Notices for the week

Introducing Children to Communion - With permission from the Bishop of Bath and Wells we will be working towards including children more fully in Holy Communion in 2016. Two introductory sessions have been arranged in the New Year, primarily for families, but open to anyone in the parish who would like to know more. **Dates are either: Wednesday 20 January 3.45pm in St Martin's Church OR Saturday 23 January 10am in St Mark's Church.** The sessions will be identical, lasting about an hour with refreshments provided. There will be more information in January's Worle Wide Express.

Can you help? Parish Office Volunteers & Gift Aid Co-ordinator needed! Due to the retirement of some of our valuable volunteers (see December Worle Wide Express) we are looking for help. The **Parish Office work** involves one day a week from 9am-12noon, particularly Monday or Tuesday, duties are varied and interesting. Please contact Liz Winter our Parish Administrator during office hours. 515922. **The Gift Aid Co-ordinator** works with the four churches to administrate our Gift Aided contributions, contrary to the article in WWE, this role would probably only be a commitment of around two hours a week and would be great for anyone who is computer literate and enjoys working with figures. Please contact Rev Anne Farmer in the first instance 515610.

Offertory Envelopes 2016 - please collect your envelopes from the back of church today.

Christmas Table - Beautiful books and gifts are on sale at the back of the church. Today is your last chance to buy. There also Church diaries still available.

Christmas Services leaflet- please invite a friend or neighbour to our Christmas Services, using the leaflet. These are available on the literature table.

The Weston Hospice Carol and Remembrance Service - on Tuesday 15 December in St. Martin's at 7.00pm.

Carol Singing on the High St. - Saturday 19 December at 11.00am. Please gather outside the Co-op.

Carol Concert in St. Martin's - for Care Home Residents, their families and carers on Saturday 19 December 2.30pm .

Dates for your Diary

Parish Office - Please note the Parish office will be closed from Wednesday 23 December and will re-open Monday 4 January 2016.