

Diary for week Commencing 21 December 2014

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Today	6.00 pm	Carols by Candlelight
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Christmas Eve	
	4.00pm	Crib Service
	11.30pm	Christmas Midnight Eucharist
Thursday	Christmas Day	
	8.00am	Christmas Holy Communion
	10.00am	Christmas Family Communion & Carols
Friday		
Saturday		
Next Sunday	First Sunday after Christmas	
		[Duty Warden - Barbara Perkins]
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	Family Communion
	6.00pm	No service

Please note -There will not be a notice sheet for Sunday 28 December.

There will be no midweek Holy Communion - on 24 December and 31 December at St Mark's and 25 December and 1 January at St Martin's

Prayer for Christmas

Holy Child of Bethlehem
Who found no room at the inn,
We pray for all who are homeless
We pray for all who live with danger
We pray for all refugees
Holy Child of Bethlehem
Help us, we pray to see the
Divine image in people everywhere.

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Monday - Friday

9.00am - 12 noon

Wednesday

7.00pm - 8.00pm

(by appointment only)

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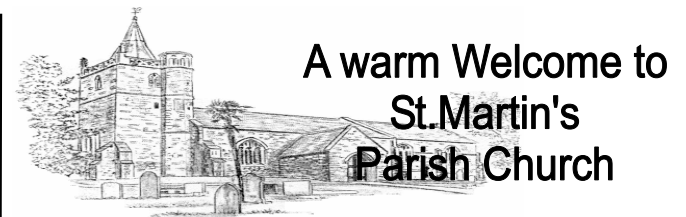
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BAPTISM & WEDDING

ENQUIRIES

At the Parish Office
During normal opening hours



A warm Welcome to
St.Martin's
Parish Church

Sunday 21 December 2014
Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Romans 16: 25 - 27
Luke 1: 26 - 38

**10.00am Nativity Service with All-Together
Communion**

Hymns

- 211** Hark the Herald Angels Sing
503 O Little Town of Bethlehem
83 Come and Join the Celebration

6.00pm *Carols by Candlelight*
Followed by seasonal refreshments

- 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 Fourth Sunday of Advent

I will declare that your love is established for ever; you have set your faithfulness as firm as the heavens. *Psalm 89: 2*

8.00am Readings

Romans 16: 25 - 27 - "to the only wise God be glory for ever through Jesus Christ! Amen." (v27)

Luke 1: 26 - 38 - *The Birth of Jesus Foretold* - "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High," (v32)

10.00am Reading - Nativity Service

6.00pm Readings - Carols by Candlelight

Readings for Sunday 28 December - First Sunday after Christmas

8.00 & 10.00am - Galatians 4: 4 - 7 * Luke 2: 15 - 21

Prayers

Collect

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Heavenly Father,
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of the promised saviour:
fill us your servants with your grace,
that in all things we may embrace your holy will
and with her rejoice in your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices for the week

Crib Service - Wednesday 24 December at 4pm. Children are welcome to come dressed as Shepherds, Angels or Kings

Christmas Services leaflet- please join us and invite a friend or neighbour to our Christmas Services, using the leaflet. There are extras available on the literature table.

Christingle Service - the total collected so far from the Christingle candles and envelopes is £96.08. If you have not yet returned yours please could you do so before Christmas.

Thank you - to all who helped with the school services during the last week. The children really enjoyed being in St Martin's.

Website - St Martin's Church now has a new website with much more information. Please take a look at: www.stmartinsworle.org.uk Also, please follow the St Martin's Facebook page.

Church Diaries - 2015 diaries are now available on the Literature Table at £1 each, or three for two.

Open Church Afternoons - Thank you to all those who enabled the Church to be open during the months of Summer and Autumn. St. Martin's will now be closed on Wednesday afternoons until 1 April 2015 when the rota will resume. Please confirm to Paul Elliot that you are available to continue and if anyone else feels they are able to help please speak to Paul.

Parish Office - Please note the Parish office will be closed from Tuesday 23 December and will re-open Monday 5 January 2015.

Handbells – It was with great sadness that the St Martin's Church Handbell group had to cancel a number of concerts before Christmas, which was due to health problems for a number of the members of the group. The Leadership Group has decided that the Handbell group is to be in suspension for the time being. Thanks to all who have rung and supported the group over the years. During 2015 the Leadership Group will start making some enquiries to see if others in the church and community might be interested in becoming involved.

Dates for your diary

Baby and Toddler Group - resumes on Tuesday 13 January at 9.30am.