# Diary for week commencing 3 December 2023

**Today** 8.00am Said Holy Communion

All Age Service 10.00am

12.00pm Baptism

6.00pm Service of Reflection for Advent

Monday

Tuesday 2.00pm House Group on St Mark's Gospel – Session 4

Wednesday

**Thursday** Warden Catchup 9.00am

10.00am Said Holy Communion

10.45am Cake and Coffee 12.00pm Set up Tree Festival

6.15pm **Choir Practice** 

7.30pm **Bell Ringing Practice** 

8.00am Cleaning Team Friday

> 9.00am Installing Crib and Christmas Tree 7.00pm Tree Festival Opening Concert

Saturday 10.00am Tree Festival

Sunday 10 December - First Sunday after Advent

[Warden on duty Paul Elliott]

Said Holy Communion 8.00am

Sung Holy Communion with Nativity 10.00am

Sunday School 10.00am

Service of Compline with Carols 5.00pm

Refreshment Rota: Sue Margetts and Carol Savill

## St Martin's Church Holiday 2024 - Important

Next year's holiday will be from Monday 3 June to Friday 7 June. To ensure our holiday can take place we still have available 5 double and 3 twin rooms. The holiday is open to our family and friends so please consider, there are booking forms on the Literature table or speak to Paul Elliott in church or by phone 07725 016805.

# Can you help?

We would like to decorate the church with poinsettias for the Christmas period and would be grateful of any donations. Please bring any size plant to church on Tuesday or Thursday pm, Friday am or during the festival weekend, Thank you. Jill

#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

St Martin's Church Church Road, Worle

BS22 9EL

Mobile: 07808832530 stmartinschurchworle1 @gmail.com Parish Website www.stmartinsworle. org.uk Open: Mon and Fri 9am

to 12 noon

Baptism & Wedding Enquiries please phone.

#### **STAFF TEAM**

#### Vicar

Rev Jon Ormrod 07596 995061 revjonormrod@gmail. com

#### Reader

Yvonne Criddle 01934 515912

#### Associate Priest

Preb. Dr Gilly Bunce 01275 810610 gill.how@blueyonder. co.uk

#### Churchwardens

Paul Elliott 07725 016805

Jill Preddy 07592 686209

## Safeguarding 07407256627 safequardingstmartin

sworle@gmail.com

#### Church Administrator

Liz Winter See Church Office above.



# Sunday 3 December 2023 **Advent Sunday**

## 8am Said Holy Communion Led by Rev Jon Ormrod

#### Readings:

Isiah 64: 1-9 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Mark 13: 24-37

## 10am All Age Service Led by Rev Jon Ormrod and Yvonne Criddle

## **Hymns:**

O come. O come Emmanuel Hills of the north reioice Advent candles Make way

## Readings:

Isiah 64: 1-5a Mark 13: 32-35a

# 12pm Baptism

Ollie Ross-Mayers

Refreshments will be served after the 10am service. Refreshment Rota: Jo Hunt and Joy Kenward

## **Collect for Advent Sunday**

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

# **Post Communion Prayer**

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for...

The people of Israel and Gaza

For all who are ill are in hospital, hospice and care homes and all who are cared for at home.

Those who are caught up in conflict and war, remembering particularly the people of Ukraine.

All who are affected by natural disasters and Climate Change.

All those that are ill, who mourn and who are concerned about their futures

For the people of Zambia and the co-operative projects between the parishes and the dioceses

Prayer for Peace in Israel and Palestine from the Methodist Council God of peace and compassion,

We pray for all impacted by the escalation in conflict in Israel and Palestine For all who are mourning

For all who are fearful, today, and for what may lie ahead

For all traumatised and re-traumatised by what they have experienced.

Enable us to stand in solidarity with people of peace

May your Spirit bring peace and healing to your troubled world Amen

#### Notices

#### **Food Bank**

The Food Bank have requested that if you are considering bringing in Christmas specific items, mince pies, Christmas cake, sweets etc, could it please be in church by Sunday10 December. This is to ensure that it can be collected, sorted, and distributed in time for Christmas. Thank you for all your donations.

#### **House Group**

The course looking at St Mark's Gospel completes at 2pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. All Welcome

#### **Church Lunch - 31 December**

As usual we will be having our St. Martin's church lunch on the last Sunday in the month in December at the Summerhouse.

All are welcome to join us at midday BUT please ensure that you have signed up by Sunday 17 December.

The Sunday carvery is available both months, along with the normal menu.

### Tree Festival 8th-10th December

Come along and see the Trees and help support this community event:

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 7pm-8pm Opening Concert

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** 10am-5pm Church open to view the Trees With the following entertainment:

10.30am, 11.30am and 1pm The Clangers Hand Bells (come and join in with the Clangers and have a go with the bells)

2pm Worle Village School Choir

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** 3pm Worle Chorale Concert followed by refreshments and the Raffle Draw at 4.15pm

5pm Evening Service of Compline with Carols

## Tree Festival - Cakes Required

We are wanting to provide hospitality throughout the Festival. As a result, we need cakes to offer people. If you are able to provide a cake – either bought or baked – then please have a word with Jill Preddy. Thank you.

#### Blue Envelopes 2024

The envelopes for 2024 will be available for collection from Sunday 10 December. If you are not already a member of the scheme and would like further information or to add yourself to the Scheme, please have a word with either Dianne Swatton or John Bangham.

#### **Poinsettias for Christmas**

We would like to decorate the church with poinsettias for the Christmas period and would be grateful of any donations. Please bring any size plant to abure an Sunday 4. Thursday 8. or Friday 9. December in the