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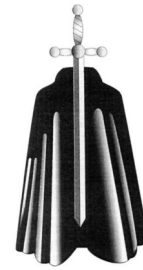
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A space for notes



**St Martin's
Low Marple**

Notices and Prayers for St Martin's and St Paul's

May 2024



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St Paul's *coming soon!*

Let us give thanks

Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

(Matthew 28. 20b)

Prayer list

Please remember the sick who have asked for our prayers:

Ruby	Jude	Gordon
Andrew	Roger	Jean
David	Michael	Tony
Gary	Kathleen & Arthur	Delilah
Freddie & Jasmine	Clare	Peter
Madeleine	Steph	Pam
Peter	Hillary	

Please pray:

For Lucca, coming for baptism.

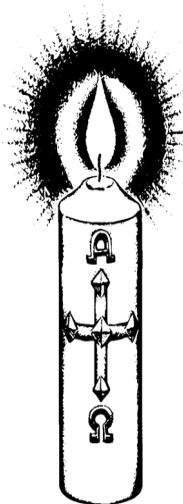
For Archie and Irene, recently departed, and for all whose years mind falls at this time.

For Sarah and Jack, as their wedding approaches.

For the new PCC, elected at the APCM, as they help to guide us through this next year.

For Rev'd Jane Proudfoot, as she begins her new ministry as Archdeacon of Macclesfield.

For our diocese, as we seek to follow our new Diocesan Vision, as we walk ***Together in Christ, Sharing Hope***



Notices

There are three new monthly things for your diaries:

A **prayer group**, meeting next on Thursday 2nd May, 1 pm, in the narthex of St Paul's church.

A **discussion group** (like the Advent and Lent groups) starting soon - date t.b.c., watch this space!

A new monthly **midweek Communion** service. The next one will be at 1:30 pm on Thursday 23rd May, at St Paul's.

Everyone welcome to any or all of these! Please do come along.

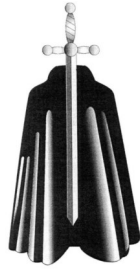
Refreshments from 10:15 am on family mass days are popular, but we do need more people to help prepare them on the day (all food etc is provided) to keep this going. If you can help occasionally, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church and/or let Teresa know.

Our next joint St Martin's—St Paul's social event is just around the corner! We'll be having a parish BBQ on Saturday 13th July. Save the date! More details soon.

We have two midweek special services this month, for Ascension Day and Corpus Christi, on 9th and 30th May

The next crafternoon will be on Sunday 19th May, from 2 pm in the hall. The theme will be *Pentecost*. If you know you're coming, please help us plan by letting Timothy or Debbie know.

May services at



St Martin's Low Marple

Sunday 5th

11:15 am - Parish Mass + *junior church*

6:30 pm - Choral Evensong

Thursday 9th Ascension Day

7 pm - Holy Communion

Sunday 12th

11:15 am - Parish Mass + *junior church*

Sunday 19th Pentecost

11:15 am - Family Mass (+ tea, toast & bacon butties from 10:15)

Sunday 26th Trinity Sunday

8 am - Holy Communion

11:15 am - Parish Mass

Thursday 30th Corpus Christi

7 pm - Holy Communion

Sunday Evenings at 5:30 pm—zoom evening prayer

Every Thursday and Friday: Morning Prayer

May services at



Sunday 5th

9:30 am - Holy Communion

Sunday 12th

9:30 am - Holy Communion

Sunday 19th Pentecost

9:30 am - Family Communion

Thursday 23rd

1:30 pm - Midweek Communion

Sunday 26th Trinity Sunday

9:30 am - Holy Communion

ask Timothy for the zoom link (not 5th May)

at 9:30 am, at St Thomas', High Lane. All Welcome!

Dates for your diary

May

Wednesday 1st—Monthly Community Lunch at St Paul's (*please contact Timothy, or Rev'd Wendy at St Paul's, for more information*)

Thursday 2nd - Monthly prayer group, 1 pm, St Paul's Narthex

Friday 3rd - Knit and Natter group, 10:30-12, St Paul's Narthex

Sunday 5th - Fairtrade stall at St Martin's after the parish mass

Wednesday 8th - Board game coffee morning, 10-12, St Martin's hall

Thursday 9th - Ascension Day mass, 7 pm., St Martin's

Friday 10th - Knit and Natter group, 10:30-12, St Paul's Narthex

Saturday 11th - Monthly walk, 9:30 am, All Saints', talk to Sylvia for info

Wednesday 15th - Board game coffee morning, 10-12, St Martin's hall

Wednesday 15th - Mothers Union meeting, 2pm, hall. All welcome!

Friday 17th - Knit and Natter group, 10:30-12, St Paul's Narthex

Saturday 18th - Churchyard clear up, St Martin's, 10 am - 12 noon

Sunday 19th - Bacon & toast before the family mass, 10:15 am, hall.

Sunday 19th - Crafternoon, 2pm, St Martin's hall. Theme - Pentecost

Wednesday 22nd - Board game and coffee morning, 10 am - 12 noon, hall

Thursday 23rd - Midweek communion service, 1:30 pm, St Paul's.

Friday 24th - Knit and Natter at St Paul's, 10:30-12, *in church.*

Saturday 25th May - Heritage Trust talk, 2:30-4 pm, St Martin's hall

Wednesday 29th - Board game and coffee morning, 10 am - 12 noon, hall

Thursday 30th - Ascension Day mass, 7 pm., St Martin's

Friday 31st - Knit and Natter at St Paul's, 10:30-12, *in church.*

Prayer Stations

Prayer stations are a wonderfully simple and creative way to pray and reflect - a reading, prayer and activity with a common theme that helps concentrate the mind, and aid prayer.

After the prayer stations for Holy Week in the last two years, we've been wondering if these might be a more regular feature at St Martin's. This idea has tied in with reflections about the Christopher Chapel, and how it might become more of a *chapel* in our life at and use of St Martin's.

So, there will soon be prayer stations in the Christopher Chapel for use before and after services. They'll be changing each month, and be themed around the Church year.

We'll be starting with Pentecost, and three stations, themed around the story of Pentecost, and the Holy Spirit appearing like flames, like wind and like a dove:

One station will involve lighting candles - *flames*

One will include windmills - *wind*

And another doves - *dove*

Please do have a look at these stations in the second half of the month, and engage with them in whatever way is helpful for you. Then, as we travel through the Church year please do stop by occasionally in that chapel, dedicated to the patron saint of travellers, and pray, as we travel together in this wonderful journey through life that we are on, with each other and with God.