

Diary for week Commencing 14 December 2014

Third Sunday of Advent

Today	<i>John of the Cross, poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591</i>
Monday	1.30pm St. Martin's School Reception Class 6.30pm Mendip Green School Christingle
Tuesday	9.30am Baby & Toddler Group 1.30pm Worle Village School Rehearsal 6.30pm Mendip Green School Christingle
Wednesday	8.00am Prayers for St. Martins 9.30am Holy Communion (St Mark's) 1.30pm Worle Village School Carols by Candles 6.30pm Worle Village School Carols by Candles
Thursday	10.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Choir Practice 7.30pm Bell Ringers Practice
Friday	9.30am Cleaning Guild
Saturday	

Next Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent

	[Duty Warden - Paul Elliott]
8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	All-Together Communion Nativity Service
6.00pm	Carols by Candlelight

Prayers for the Week

- Pray for the elderly and needy of Weston super Mare at this time of colder weather.
- Give thanks for our church of St. Martin which has stood as a centre of worship for centuries giving sanctuary to the people of Worle.
- Pray for the Queen and her family at this time that they may have a happy and peaceful Christmas.
- Pray for Christians throughout the world as we prepare to celebrate the Coming of Jesus Christ.

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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



A warm Welcome to St.Martin's Parish Church

Sunday 14 December 2014
Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16 - 24
John 1: 6 - 8, 19 - 28

10.00am Christingle Service

Hymns & Readings

- 631** Tell out my soul
376 Jesus put this song into our hearts
48 Be still and know
445 Lord, the light of your love is shining
Advent hymns during the making of
Christingles:
337 In the bleak mid-Winter
493 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
420 Like a candle flame

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John 1:6 - 8, 19 - 23

Evening services within the parish

St. Martin's - No service

6.00pm Mead Vale - Evening Prayer

St Lawrence - No service

- 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

And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour..."
Magnificat :

8.00am & 10am Readings

1 Thessalonians 5: 16 - 24 - Final Instructions - the message to the Thessalonians is " Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (vs 16,17,18)
John 1: 6 - 8, 19 - 28 - John the Baptist was sent by God to be a witness to the coming of Jesus, the light of life.

Readings for Sunday 21 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00am - Romans 16: 25 - 27 * Luke 1: 26 - 38

10.00am - Nativity TBA

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 people 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 in us 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

Christingle Service - enjoy making a Christingle during this service. Please place your returned Christingle tubes or Children's Society envelopes in the offertory baskets.

Planned Giving Responses - thanks to those who have returned their response forms. So far we have been promised over £20 per week extra. Response forms are available on the literature table.

Website - St Martin's Church now has a new website with much more information. Please take a look at: www.stmartinsworle.org.uk

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

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

Advent Bookstall - Today is the last chance to look at the books on the bookstall for Advent and Christmas at the back of the church.

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.

Thank you - to everyone who braved the cold yesterday to join us in singing carols outside the Co-op on the High Street.

Carol Singing - please come and join us on Friday 19 December to sing carols to the residents of The Maltings 7 for 7.30pm. If you are able to join us please put your name on the sign up sheet in the porch.

Coffee Morning - Saturday 20 December 10.00am at Mead Vale Community Centre.

Dates for your diary

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