

Diary for week commencing 8 May 2016

Today		
Monday	5.00pm	Archdeacon's Visitation
Tuesday	9.30am	Baby and Toddler Group
	7.30pm	Guild of Server's Service
Wednesday	8.00am	Prayers for St Martin's
		Church closed all day for Maintenance Work
	9.30am	Holy Communion (St Marks)
Thursday	10.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Church closed for Maintenance Work
	6.30pm	Choir Practice
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers Practice
Friday	9.30am	Cleaning Guild
Saturday		
Next Sunday	Day of Pentecost	
		[Duty Warden – Paul Elliott]
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.00am	No Service at St Martin's Church
	10.30am	A Service of First Communion at Pentecost at St Marks Church
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong

Pentecost Cream teas and free concert 'Called to be Saints' Wick Village Hall, 2.30 – 5pm Sunday 15 May.

Prayers

A prayer for Thy Kingdom Come Week

Almighty God, who called your church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen

Prayer for the Referendum

God of truth, give us grace to debate the issues in this referendum with honesty and openness. Give generosity to those who seek to form opinion and discernment to those who vote, that our nation may prosper and that with all the peoples of Europe we may work for peace and the common good; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Sunday 8 May 2016
Sunday after Ascension Day

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17: 20-26

10.00am All-Together Morning Praise

Hymns and Readings:

445 Lord the light of your live is shining

- The Fruit of the Spirit

- Thank you Lord

689 Thine be the Glory

Reading: John 17: 20-26

Please note there is no 10am service next Sunday at St Martin's - A Service of First Communion at Pentecost 10.30am at St Mark's

Evening services within the parish

St. Martin's No service

St. Lawrence Evening Worship BCP

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 The Sunday after Ascension Day

The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.
Psalm 97 v1

8.00am Readings

Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21 - *The River of Life* – “.... I am the root and descendant of David, the bright morning star.” (v16)

John 17: 20-26 - Jesus prays to the Father asking that all believers in him will be as one in the love he gave to his Son – “...so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.” (v26)

10.00am Reading

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Readings for Sunday 15 May - Pentecost

8.00am Readings - Acts 2: 1-21 * John 14: 8-17

10.00am Readings - Joint Service for Pentecost at St Mark's Church

6.00pm - Choral Evensong - Exodus 33: 7-20 * 2 Corinthians 3: 4-18

Prayers

Collect

O God the king of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Short Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices for the week

Archdeacon's Visitation - St Martin's is delighted to be able to host the annual Archdeacon's Visitation for Locking Deanery on Monday 9th May. This is always an encouraging gathering across the churches of the deanery, particularly for all our Churchwardens as they are publicly affirmed in their role.

Pathway to and from the Lower Graveyard - unfortunately North Somerset Council have closed the pathway for urgent repairs, following a landslide. They have informed us that the path will be closed for approximately six months. Under NO circumstances should the barriers be removed.

Traffic Calming on Church Road - Please see Noticeboard which affects future parking outside the Church. Work will commence during May for two weeks.

Vacancy - Archdeacon Andy Piggott has appointed Revd Anne Farmer to be Acting Team Rector during the vacancy. Please keep Anne and the clergy team in your prayers.

Mick Harley cd - Mick has recorded a cd of various hymns and music, which is for sale to raise funds for the Choir's charities. If you would like a copy of this cd a suggested donation of £3 can be made to St Martin's Choir.

Thy Kingdom Come - Jesus Christ calls every person to follow him. As Christians it's our duty and joy to share that invitation. That's why the Archbishops of Canterbury and York are inviting every church in England to join a week of prayer this Pentecost, from 8-15th May —let's pray for every Christian to receive new confidence and joy in sharing this life-transforming faith. Please see leaflet on literature table.

Dates for your diary

A Service of First Communion at Pentecost - Our Parish Pentecost service takes place on Sunday 15 May at St Mark's Church at 10.30am. Once again this year we will be gathering indoors. We look forward to seeing you there. (This means that there is no 10am service at St Martin's Church).

Christian Aid Week - Sunday 15 May to Saturday 21 May.

Mead Vale Coffee Morning - Saturday 21 May, Mead Vale Community Hall at 10am.

Christian Aid Fair - Saturday 21 May at St Mark's Church 10am to 2pm

Watoto children's choir will be performing their concert "Oh What Love" at Destiny Church, on Sunday 22nd May at 6:30pm.

Exploring Spirituality Year 1 - Starts fortnightly on Thursdays in September at the Old Deanery, Wells. Explore your spiritual journey, with input from the diocesan team about different traditions of Christian spirituality. For details, contact Margaret Hayward 01934 628431