

St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



SUNDAY 21 JANUARY

3RD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist

Thursday 9.30am Said Eucharist

OPENING HOURS

CHURCH: Monday to Friday 10am - 3pm

TEAM OFFICE: Weekdays, except Wednesdays, 10am-1pm

ZOOM SERVICES THIS WEEK

(please contact the host to join the mailing list)

Morning Prayer Monday to Friday at 8.30am

Compline Monday to Friday at 8.30pm

Hosted by Mike Bunclark mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk

Prayers for Peace & Justice Saturdays at 4pm

Hosted by Joan Hazzard joanhazz@gmail.com



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NOTICES

Sunday 21 January

Junior Church - our children are invited to leave after the Collect prayer for activities downstairs, accompanied by a parent/carer.

Join us **next Sunday 28 January**, when we will celebrate Candlemas with Christingles at our All Together Eucharist service at 10am.

Funeral of Jim Haly - Tuesday 23 January, 12noon

Jeanette would like to welcome friends from St Martin's to Jim's funeral on Tuesday. Refreshments afterwards will be at the Graeme Hick Pavilion, Worcester Cricket Club, WR2 4QQ - please let Jeanette know if you are going.

Between Denial and Despair - Thursday 25 January, Old Palace, 2pm

A Living Gently on the Earth event - A Christian perspective on Hope in an Ecological Emergency. An eco-spirituality teaching session with Revd Robin Parry, with a Christian perspective, on hope in the face of eco-anxiety, climate grief, and taking hopeful action. The event is in the Severn Room, The Old Palace. Tickets are free, but must be booked on Eventbrite. See posters for more details.

Tunes & Chips - Friday 26 January, 3.45pm, Church

Our Tunes and Chips Choir for primary school age children meets on Friday, with a welcome drink and biscuit beforehand from 3.45pm.

Coffee Concert - Saturday 27 January, 10.30am, Church

We are delighted to welcome Gill Styles *soprano and piano* and Richard Walker *piano* to St Martin's once again, to present an engaging programme of songs and piano duets by Elgar, Mozart, and Samuel Barber. Tea, coffee, and homemade cake available. Free entry with donations to St Richard's Hospice.

Archbishop of Canterbury visit - Saturday 3 February

The Most Revd Justin Welby will be visiting the Diocese on Saturday 3 February for interviews, and an opportunity to join him in prayer, at these locations: 10am Dudley, 12.30pm Pershore, or 2.15pm Worcester (see posters for details).

Licensing of the Revd Lindsey Coulthard - Sunday 4 February

Friends from St Martin's are welcome to attend Lindsey's Service of Licensing as Priest in charge of the Parish of Barbourne, St Stephen, by the Right Reverend Martin Gorick, Bishop of Dudley, and Installation by the Venerable Mark Badger, Archdeacon of Worcester. The service takes place at St Stephen's Church at 4pm, with refreshments served afterwards. Please let Rebecca know if you are going, so as to give them an idea of numbers.

Pancake Party - Tuesday 13 February, 4pm - 5.30pm

Come and have some fun at St Martin's pancake party for all ages, to be held in the Parish Centre. There will be pancake tossing, games, and prizes. Pancakes will be provided with a choice of toppings, served with tea, coffee and juice. Adults £3, Children £2. Please sign the sheet at the back of Church, with payment to Barbara

10.00AM SUNG EUCHARIST

The **Order of Service** is in a separate booklet, large print copies are available. This **Bulletin** contains the words of the hymns, readings, and special prayers for the day, as well as notices and prayers for the week. You are welcome to take it home. If you would like a kneeler, please ask a sidesperson.

Celebrant **Revd Andy Stand**
Preacher **Revd Richard Wood**
Organ **John Swindells**

Today's Eucharist setting is by Andrew Millington

Hymn NEH 343

Bright the vision that delighted
Once the sight of Judah's seer;
Sweet the countless tongues united
To entrance the prophet's ear.

Round the Lord in glory seated
Cherubim and seraphim
Filled his temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fullness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.'

Heaven is still with glory ringing,
Earth takes up the angels' cry,
'Holy, Holy, Holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'

With his seraph train before him,
With his holy Church below,
Thus unite we to adore him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow:

'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fullness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord.'

Richard Mant (1776-1848)

*See pages 1-2 in the Order of Service,
then follow the words overleaf for the Gloria:*

Gloria Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer, receive our prayer.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

Collect Almighty God,
who's Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading Genesis 14.17-20

A reading from the Book of Genesis

- ¹⁷ After Abram's return from the defeat of Ched-or-la-o'-mer
and the kings who were with him,
the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Sha'-veh
(that is, the King's Valley).
¹⁸ And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine;
he was priest of God Most High.

- 19 He blessed him and said,
 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth;
 20 and blessed be God Most High,
 who has delivered your enemies into your hand!
 And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 128

*All sing the response after the Choir has sung it once,
 then after each section of two verses.*

Colin Mawby

Response
 May the Lord bless you all the days of your life.

Response: *May the Lord bless you all the days of your life*

- 1 Blessed are all those who fear the Lord,
 and walk in his ways.
 2 You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands;
 it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.

All *May the Lord bless you all the days of your life*

- 3 Your wife within your house
 shall be like a fruitful vine; your children round your table,
 like fresh olive branches.
 4 Thus shall the one be blest
 who fears the Lord.

All *May the Lord bless you all the days of your life*

- 5 The Lord from out of Zion bless you,
 that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity
 all the days of your life.
 6 May you see your children's children,
 and may there be peace upon Israel.

All *May the Lord bless you all the days of your life*

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Second Reading Revelation 19.6-10

A reading from the Book of Revelation

- ⁶ I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude,
like the sound of many waters
and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals,
crying out,
'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.
⁷ Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his bride has made herself ready;
⁸ to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen,
bright and pure' -
for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.
⁹ And the angel said to me, 'Write this:
Blessed are those who are invited
to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'
And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.'
¹⁰ Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me,
'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant
with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus.
Worship God!
For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

At Cana's wedding, long ago,
they knew his presence by this sign,
a virtue none but Christ could show,
to turn their water into wine:
and still on us his blessing be
as in the days of Galilee.

What if the way be far to go
and life at times a weary load?
Yet may our hearts within us glow
as their on that Emmaus road:
the risen Christ become our guest,
with him to walk, in him to rest.

O Lord of all our life below,
O risen Lord of realms above,
eternal joy be theirs to know,
united in the bond of love:
one in the faith, with one accord,
one with each other and the Lord.

Timothy Dudley Smith (b 1926)
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Gospel John 2.1-11

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

- ¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee,
and the mother of Jesus was there.
- ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.
- ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him,
'They have no wine.'
- ⁴ And Jesus said to her,
'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me?
My hour has not yet come.'
- ⁵ His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'
- ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water-jars
for the Jewish rites of purification,
each holding twenty or thirty gallons.
- ⁷ Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.'
And they filled them up to the brim.
- ⁸ He said to them, 'Now draw some out,
and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it.
- ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine,
and did not know where it came from
(though the servants who had drawn the water knew),
the steward called the bridegroom and said to him,
- ¹⁰ 'Everyone serves the good wine first,
and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk.
But you have kept the good wine until now.'
- ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee,
and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

The Sermon follows, then see pages 5-6 in the Order of Service

Offertory Hymn NEH 467

Through all the changing scenes of life,
In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

O magnify the Lord with me,
With me exalt his name;
When in distress to him I called,
He to my rescue came.

The hosts of God encamp around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance he affords to all
Who on his succour trust.

O make but trial of his love,
Experience will decide
How blest are they, and only they,
Who in his truth confide.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

Based on Psalm 34

Source: Tate & Brady New Version, 1696

See pages 6-11 in the Order of Service

Choir Anthem Come, Lord, be our guest - John L Bell (b 1949)

Come, Lord, be our guest,
find your way among us;
you whose word and will
sowed the seed which sprung us.
Earth, your former home,
still is where we meet you;
therefore we greet you,
Christ, our Lord alone.

Come, Lord, be our guest,
join our conversation;
free our tongues to speak
without reservation.
Where your people meet,
you perfect their pleasure;
therefore we treasure
all you have to share.

Come, Lord, be our guest,
gathered round your table,
we confess our faith
more than fact or fable.
You who made, of old,
all that earth was needing,
blessing and feeding
here will make us new.

Come, Lord, be our host,
bread and wine are waiting.
On your words depend
all our celebrating.
Fill us with your love,
healing and forgiving;
then, in us living,
show our love your way.

John L Bell (b 1949) & Graham Maule (b 1958-2019)

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After Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

See page 11 in the Order of Service

Final Hymn SP 158

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry;
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them –
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone;
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? *Here I am Lord...*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them –
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied;
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? *Here I am Lord...*

Daniel L. Schutte (b 1947) ©1981 OCP

See page 12 in the Order of Service

Voluntary First movement Sonata No 3 - Rheinberger (1839-1901)

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Next Week's Readings: Malachi 3.1-5; Hebrews 2.14-end; Luke 2.22-40

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH

People in sickness or need

Michael Wood	Brian Cory	Roderick Dovey	Donna Vickers
Sandra Giles	Andy Horne	Nancy Dyson	Phil Clayton
Shirley Scott	Simonne Lebrun	Jennie Furnival	

The recently departed

James Haly	David Stringer
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Anniversary of death

Beryl Haste	Ida Thompson	Vera Hinton	Charles Waters
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DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Mon 22 2 Samuel 5.1-10

Mark 3.22-30

Today, we open our hearts to the Holy Spirit to bring unity in our Church, our families, our communities, and the world. We repent where we have not brought peace, asking that you bring healing to the divisions made by our hands. Grow in us your heart of reconciliation.

Tue 23 2 Samuel 6.12-19

Mark 3.31-end

We pray for the family of God around the world. We pray for our own church community as the Diocese of Worcester prepares to receive the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, next week. Bring inspiration to him, and all who serve you, that your will may be done.

Wed 24 2 Samuel 7.4-17

Mark 4.1-20

We pray for all who struggle with their mental health, and that your seeds of life and hope will fall in good soil. We ask your blessing on all charities who support those with life-affecting difficulties and disorders, especially the Good Soil Trust, Wild Goose, Bonterre, and all volunteers in land-based communities at Top Barn Farm.

Thu 25 *Conversion of Paul*

Acts 9.1-22

Galatians 1.11-16

Matthew 19.27-end

As we remember the conversion of St Paul, we thank you Lord for all evangelists, especially those persecuted for living out, and preaching, your Good News. We pray that the scales will fall from the eyes of all who persecute on religious grounds.

Fri 26 2 Samuel 11.1-17

Mark 4.26-34

God of life, we pray for our farmers and all land-based workers, as the year begins to turn again. As the hope of a fruitful harvest stirs with the seeds in the earth, may your seeds planted in our hearts grow to produce a harvest of the Kingdom.

Sat 27 2 Samuel 12.1-17

Mark 4.35-end

On this Holocaust Memorial Day, we join with millions of Jewish people around the world in prayer for the hope of peace between all peoples. May the God who calms the storm, bring forth peacemakers to protect the innocent, especially today in Israel and Gaza.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

The full Church diary for this week, and next week, is displayed on the noticeboard in the Lower Vestry. Please speak to Rebecca if you have any queries, or to book your event or meeting into the diary, to avoid disappointment.

Saturday 20 January

Sunday 21 January

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Church
3.00pm	Music rehearsal Lower Vestry

Monday 22 January

Tuesday 23 January

12 noon	Funeral of James Haly Church
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Wednesday 24 January

9.30am	Mainly Music Lower Vestry
11.00am	Bible Study Lower Vestry

Thursday 25 January

9.30am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Poplns Lower Vestry
7.30pm	WSO Rehearsal Church

Friday 26 January

9.30am	Funeral choir rehearsal Church
11.00am	Funeral of David Stringer Church
3.45pm	Tunes & Chips Church & Lower Vestry
7.00pm	Choir Practice Lower Vestry

Saturday 27 January

10.30am	Coffee Concert Church
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Sunday 28 January

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	All Together Eucharist for Candlemas Church
