

St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



SUNDAY 22 MAY

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am All Together Eucharist
with Baptism
6.00pm Evening Prayer
Thursday 9.30am Said Eucharist

OPENING HOURS

CHURCH: Monday to Friday 10am - 4.30pm
TEAM OFFICE: Weekdays (except Wednesdays) 10am - 1pm
It is preferred that visits to the office are made by appointment

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

Monday prayer meeting 4.00pm (1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of month)
Prayers for Peace & Justice Saturday at 12noon
Hosted by Joan Hazzard joanhazz@gmail.com



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NOTICES

Sunday 22 May

Today we welcome the family and friends of Danielle Hughes who is to be baptised during our Eucharist service this morning. Do stay for refreshments afterwards.

Christian Aid Week

Thank you to those who have distributed envelopes this week. Any further donations can be made using the red envelopes in Church.

Plant Sale thanks - The total raised was £777.70. Thank you to all.

Tiny Tunes 6th Birthday Concert - Monday 23 May, 10.30am, Church

Popular singing duo Hannah Davey and Victoria Jess share some of the songs that they love to sing to their own children - and help us to celebrate the birthday of Tiny Tunes. There will be special birthday biscuits and balloons for all the children.

Deanery Ascension Day Service - Thursday 26 May, 7.00pm in Church

All are welcome to this special celebration. See *page 8*

Coffee Concert for the WOW Appeal - Saturday 28 May, 10.15am

Music for clarinet, cello and piano, while you enjoy coffee and cake - see *page 9*.

Worcester Male Voice Choir Charity Concert - Saturday 28 May, 7.00pm

Buy tickets from Shirley today or Rebecca during office hours this week - see *page 9*.

Thy Kingdom Come - 10 days of Prayer from Ascension to Pentecost

You are invited to a joint service of prayer and worship on Sunday 29 May at 6.30pm at St Paul's Church, with refreshments available from 6pm, to begin this prayer initiative. Worcester Cathedral have set up a dedicated prayer space for use by individuals, or groups, during the 10 day window, no booking required. Or, you can sign up to prayer slots online at <https://pray.24-7prayer.com/signup/0b6f05#>

Platinum Jubilee Street Party - Sunday 5 June, 3-5pm, in Church

Do book your tickets for this, either from Rebecca or Barbara - see *page 10*.

Mothers' Union knitting project

Mothers' Union members are involved in a project to mark anti-slavery day in October. Volunteers are asked to knit links to create a giant chain to display around the Church. Links should be 30 stitches by 6 rows each, with links interlocking to form chains. I would welcome any contributions to this project by September please. *Barbara Richards*

Threads through Creation - daily until 5th June, Worcester Cathedral

Visit this breath-taking exhibition of twelve enormous, embroidered silk panels that explore the story of Creation. Textile artist Jacqui Parkinson re-imagines an amazing story in brilliant silks, dazzling metallic leathers and gold leaf.

10.00AM ALL TOGETHER EUCHARIST WITH BAPTISM

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 & Preacher **Revd Peter Hart**
Organ & Piano **John Swindells & Matt Gardner**

The service starts with *The Gathering in the Order of Service*
Please stand at the entry of the ministers

Hymn Colours of day dawn into the mind,
 The sun has come up, the night is behind.
 Go down in the city, into the street,
 And let's give the message to the people we meet.

*So light up the fire and let the flame burn,
Open the door, let Jesus return.*

*Take seeds of His Spirit, let the fruit grow,
Tell the people of Jesus, let His love show.*

Go through the park, on into the town;
The sun still shines on, it never goes down.
The light of the world is risen again;
The people of darkness are needing our friend.

So light up the fire ...

Open your eyes, look into the sky,
The darkness has come, the Son came to die.
The evening draws on, the sun disappears,
But Jesus is living, His Spirit is near.

So light up the fire ...

*Susan McClellan, John Paculabo and Keith Rycroft
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See pages 3-5 in the *Order of Service*

Collect God our redeemer,
 you have delivered us from the power of darkness
 and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
 grant, that as by his death he has called us to life,
 so by his continual presence in us
 he may raise us to eternal joy;
 through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading Acts 16.9-15

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

- ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision:
there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying,
'Come over to Macedonia and help us.'
- ¹⁰ When he had seen the vision,
we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia,
being convinced that God had called us
to proclaim the good news to them.
- ¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to
Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,
¹² and from there to Philippi,
which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia
and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.
- ¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river,
where we supposed there was a place of prayer;
and we sat down and spoke to the women
who had gathered there.
- ¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God,
was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira
and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart
to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.
- ¹⁵ When she and her household were baptised, she urged us, saying,
'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord,
come and stay at my home.'
And she prevailed upon us.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn *SP140*

We cannot measure how you heal
or answer every sufferer's prayer,
yet we believe your grace responds
where faith and doubt unite to care.
Your hands, though bloodied on the cross,
survive to hold and heal and warn,
to carry all through death to life
and cradle children yet unborn.

The pain that will not go away,
the guilt that clings from things long past,
the fear of what the future holds
are present as if meant to last.
But present too is love which tends
the hurt we never hoped to find,
the private agonies inside,
the memories that haunt the mind.

So some have come who need your help
and some have come to make amends,
as hands which shaped and saved the world
are present in the touch of friends.
Lord, let your Spirit meet us here
to mend the body, mind and soul,
to disentangle peace from pain
and make your broken people whole.

John L Bell (b1949) and Graham Maule (b1958)
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Gospel John 5.1-9

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 After this there was a festival of the Jews,
and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
- ² Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool,
called in Hebrew Beth-zatha which has five porticoes.
- ³ In these lay many invalids - blind, lame, and paralysed.
- ⁵ One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years.
- ⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there
a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?'
- ⁷ The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me
into the pool when the water is stirred up;
and while I am making my way,
someone else steps down ahead of me.'
- ⁸ Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.'
- ⁹ At once the man was made well,
and he took up his mat and began to walk.

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

See pages 6-11 in the Order of Service

Offertory Song SP315 (a collection is taken during this song)

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer,
Name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain:

Thank you, O my Father ...

When I stand in glory
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve my King for ever
in that holy place.

Thank you, O my Father ...

*Keith Green (1953-1982) and Melody Green
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See pages 12-14 in the Order of Service

During Communion the Choir sings Jubilate Deo - W A Mozart (1756-91)

*Jubilate Deo, omnis terra:
servite Domino in laetitia
Laudate nomen ejus,
quoniam suavis est Dominus, Alleluia.*

Sing joyfully to God, all the earth,
serve the Lord with gladness.
Praise his name,
for the Lord is gracious. Alleluia.

(from Psalm 100)

After Communion

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

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Final Hymn

One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go.
From the old things to the new
keep me travelling along with you.

*And it's from the old I travel to the new;
Keep me travelling along with you.*

Round the corners of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn.
All the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me.

And it's from the old...

As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should.
Where I see no way to go,
you'll be telling me the way, I know.

And it's from the old...

Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me living though the world is tough.
Leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you.

And it's from the old...

You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me.
Ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you.

And it's from the old...

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Voluntary Toccata - Théodore Dubois (1837-1924)

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Readings Next Week: Acts 16.16-34; Revelation 22.12-14,16-17,20-21; John 17.20-26

6.00pm EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 126, 127

Readings Zephaniah 3.14-end, Matthew 28.1-10, 16-end



Kingdom People

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Worcester Deanery Celebration for

Ascension Day

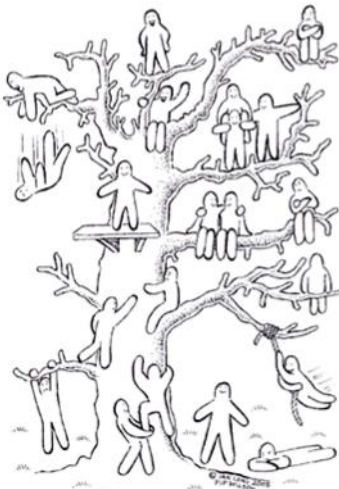
Thursday 26th May at 7pm

St Martin's Church

London Road, WR5 2ED

People from all over
Worcester & Droitwich
coming together
to celebrate ministry
in all shapes and sizes!

*including a chance to
sample the
Platinum
Pudding as we
mark the upcoming
Jubilee celebrations*



Saturday 28 May ~ Fundraising Concerts for St Martin's WOW Appeal



10.15am
The Gassenhauer Trio
Simon Grew *clarinet*
Lizzie Heighway *cello*
Michael Heighway *piano*

A varied programme of music by Saint-Saëns, Brahms, Gershwin, Mayerl and Beethoven - while you relax with coffee and homemade cake.

FREE ENTRY WITH DONATIONS TO WOW, KINDLY CHOSEN BY THE MUSICIANS



7.00pm
Worcester Male Voice Choir
Chairman's Charity Concert

A programme chosen by WMVC Chairman from his favourite repertoire, featuring solos from the talented WMVC Music Team:

Scott Woolfenden *Musical Director*
James Jarvis *Accompanist, Piano Soloist*

A joint promotion between WMVC (supporting St Richard's Hospice and the Worcester Acute Hospitals Trust) and St Martin's Church, in support of our WOW Appeal

*Adults £15; accompanied under 16s FREE; Tickets from Eventbrite.co.uk
Licensed bar from 6.30pm and Raffle for the WOW Appeal*



WOW - Widening Our Welcome

Plans are progressing (awaiting permissions) on Phase 2 of our WOW projects, on the Church level. Phase 2 includes improving and enlarging the toilet facilities, building a much needed storage area, improving the church kitchen, and installing a servery at the west end. All of these projects will greatly improve facilities for concert-goers as well as the regular congregation and the many other visitors to St Martin's.



The Queen's Platinum
Jubilee Celebration

Sunday 5 June

3–5pm

You are invited to



A Street Party in the Church!

singing • dancing • entertainment
games • competitions • food

Tickets: adults £5, children £2.50

available from Barbara Richards

or Rebecca in the Team Office

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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.

Zoom services are listed on the front cover of this Bulletin.

Saturday 21 May

Sunday 22 May

- 8.00am Said Eucharist Church
- 10.00am All Together Eucharist with Baptism Church
- 6.00pm Evening Prayer Church

Monday 23 May

- 10.30am Tiny Tunes Church
- 4.30pm Wedding Rehearsal Church

Tuesday 24 May

Wednesday 25 May

- 9.30am Mainly Music Church
- 11.00am Bible Study Group Lower Vestry

Thursday 26 May

- 9.30am Said Eucharist Church
- 10.00am PopIns Lower Vestry
- 7.00pm Deanery Ascension Day Service Church

Friday 27 May

- 6.00pm Organ Practice Church
- 7.00pm Choir Practice Church

Saturday 28 May

- 10.15am Coffee Concert Church
 - 2.00pm Wedding of Louise & Mike Church
 - 3.30pm WMVC Concert setup and rehearsal Church
 - 7.00pm WMVC Concert Church
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