

NOTICES:

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

6.30pm TODAY

Beer, Wine & Carols at the Hop Vine. Tuesday 19th December, 7.30pm.

Men's Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 2nd-4th February. Cost £134, deposit £65. Please see Fr Simon.

Christingle making: Please come along to Church on Saturday 23rd December, 10.00am to help the Brownies and Rainbows.

Peggy Osborne would like to send Christmas greetings to all her old friends at St. Martin's and wishes everyone a Happy New Year for 2018.

Tea and a Movie

2pm-5pm, Thursday 28th December.
For anyone who'd like a bit of company over the Christmas period. Spread the word!

Drivers - can you spare an hour or two (1pm-2pm or 5pm-6pm) to give a lift to someone who needs transport to this event?

Contact the Parish Office, 01895 625456 to let us know if you can help with driving or food.

BWI is your Local Church of England School, rated GOOD by OFSTED. Please visit the website for more details. www.bwicofe.co.uk

Sister Sally of Mucknell Abbey sends her Christmas greetings to all in St Martin's for a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Christmas Card posting box is now at the back of Church.

Fairtrade & Mencap stalls in the Church Hall between Masses.

Record of Family Worship

If you wish your child to be considered for a school place in a local Church School, you must ensure you sign the Record of Family Worship Forms.

The clergy wish to give as much support as possible to any applications. Parents must provide evidence they have worshiped at S Martin's for the length of time required by the school's admissions criteria.

Make sure you check the school's website for details.

Attendance sheets available in 3 places in the Church.

PARISH OFFICE QUIET DAY

Please observe the Parish Office quiet day EVERY Wednesday. Do not disturb!

Admission of Confirmation Candidates to the Catechumenate: the start of the Journey in Faith course. Sunday 7th January, 6.30pm.

Early Christian Rome and St Benedict at Subiaco

21st-26th May 2018.

Brochures and Application forms are now available.

Speak to Fr Simon if you are interested.

Bookings & deposits must be with Pax Travel by the 15th December.

A Reverse Advent Calendar to benefit the Food Bank.

As well as opening a window or taking **out** a treat every day, you might like to try this idea. Get a large empty box and each day of Advent put one food item **in!** After Christmas donate the full box to the Food Bank.

Please bring boxes to the back of the Lady Chapel on Boxing Day or as early as possible in the week after Christmas for collection by the Food Bank.

Hillingdon Credit Union

Launching here on Christ the King. Credit Unions are Co-operatives owned and controlled by local members. It is monitored by the Financial Conduct Authority (guaranteeing £85,000 for depositors). It aims to encourage members to save (current interest rate 1.00% on savings) and to provide low cost loans to members. For more information call 01895 250958 or visit www.hillingdoncu.co.uk.

Important Dates for your Diary:

19th December, 7.30pm - Beer, Wine & Carols at the Hop and Vine.

20th December, 2.00pm - Outlookers Carol service.

28th December, 2.00-5.00pm - Tea and a Movie.

31st December, 7.30pm - Family New Years Eve Party.

24th January, 2.00pm - Outlookers Afternoon Tea.

27th January - Quiz Night.

2nd-4th February - Men's Pilgrimage to Walsingham.



Sunday 17th December 2017 3rd Sunday of Advent

Psalter Week 3

Saturday: 6.00pm Sung Vigil Mass
Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
John 1:6-8,19-28
Preacher: Fr Jack

Sunday: 8.00am Mass
Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
John 1:6-8,19-28
Preacher: Fr Jack

Sunday: 9.15am Sung Mass
Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8,19-28
Mass Setting: MacMillian
Hymns: NEH: 12, 495, 15 & 11
Psalm Response: My Soul rejoices in my God
Preacher: Fr Jack

Sunday: 11.15am Sung Mass
Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
John 1:6-8,19-28
Mass Setting: MacMillian
Hymns: CHE: 268, 243, 928, 217, 487 & 133
Preacher: Fr Jack

Sunday: 6.30pm A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

Please replace your kneeler after Mass. Thank you.

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Today's Readings:

Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11

God's servant prophesies that he has been sent by God to usher in a new age, the age of God's salvation. Jesus will use these words to inaugurate his own ministry.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

S Paul tells the Christians at Thessalonica how they should live as they await the second coming of Christ.

John 1:6-8,19-28

John the Baptist declares that he is not the Christ but that his job is to prepare for the Christ who is already present, although unrecognized.

Please pray for:

- ◆ The Rohingya refugees.
- ◆ The Hillingdon Credit Union and the Hillingdon Food Bank.
- ◆ The people and leadership in Zimbabwe.
- ◆ The Palestinian & Israeli peoples.

The Sick:

Luis Hudson	Barbara Green
Brian Dunleavy	Jimmy Park
Flo Dolling	Fr Ken Buckler
Phyllis Cook	Danny Lamb
Angela Cotton	Harriet Jane Hand
Fred Geard	Pat Kerr
Paddy Darby	Reg Kemp
Roy Bewley	Elise Page
Ann Flack	Nicola Didd
Fr Philip Warner	

The Recently Departed:

Sue Kirk

Anniversaries of Death:

16th Ron Hall
17th Ron Gardner
20th Eric Everett
21st Bill Bambrough
22nd Florence Gowers

TODAY

8.00am Mass: Tea & coffee will be served in the Church Hall after Mass.

9.15am Mass: Self-Service Crèche in the Bell Tower. Young Church. Tea, coffee and squash will be served in the Church Hall after Mass.

11.15am Mass: Self-service Crèche in the Bell Tower. Young Church. Drinks will be available at the back of S Michael's Chapel. Do join us.

Monday **O Lord of Might**
18th December 9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass
6.00pm BWI School Carol Service

Tuesday **O Root of Jesse**
19th December 9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass
11.00am BWI School Service
5.30pm Evening Prayer
7.30pm Beer, Wine and Carols at the Hop & Vine

Wednesday **O Key of David**
20th December 9.10am Morning Prayer
10.00am Whiteheath Infant School Carol Service
2.00pm Outlookers' Carol Service
5.30pm Evening Prayer
7.15pm Mass

Thursday **O Morning Star**
21st December 9.10am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mass (tea & coffee after Mass)
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday **O King of the Nations**
22nd December 9.10am Morning Prayer
6.45pm Evening Prayer
7.15pm Mass

Saturday **O Emmanuel**
23rd December 8.30am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass of Our Lady
9.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation
5.30pm Evening Prayer
6.00pm Sung Vigil Mass

Sunday 24th December 2017

4th Sunday of Advent

6.00pm (Saturday) Sung Mass

8.00am Mass

9.15am Sung Mass

11.15am Sung Mass

Readings:

2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16

Romans 16:25-27

Luke 1:26-38

CHRISTMAS EVE

4.30pm Children's Carol Service

6.00pm Nativity Mass

11.30pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Mass

10.00am Sung Mass

Baptism Enquiries should in the first instance be referred to the Parish Office.

Lost Property is kept in the Parish Office.

Safeguarding Officer: Judith Kaplan - 01895 672619

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"We are here to listen"

Should you wish to talk about any problem - loneliness, being housebound, bereaved.

Share it with our Pastoral team:

Linda Hudson on 01895 632962 or Nina Gibbins on 01895 639494