

**Diary for week Commencing 27 December 2015**

<b>Today</b>	<i>John, Apostle and Evangelist</i> 6.00pm No Service
<b>Monday</b>	<i>The Holy Innocents</i> 2.00pm Quarter Peal of Bells
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Thomas Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am No Service
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>John Wyclif, Reformer, 1384</i> 10.00am No Service
<b>Friday</b>	<i>The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>Second Sunday after Christmas -</b> [Duty Warden – Paul Elliott] 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Family Communion 12.00noon No Baptisms 6.00pm Service of Healing and Holy Communion

**Prayer for Christmas**

Holy Child of Bethlehem  
Who found no room at the inn,  
We pray for all who are homeless  
We pray for all who live with danger  
We pray for all refugees  
We pray for all refugees  
Holy Child of Bethlehem  
Help us, we pray to see the  
Divine image in people everywhere.

Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy  
which shall be to all people:  
for unto you is born in the city of David,  
a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2: 10 - 11

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**BAPTISM & WEDDING  
ENQUIRIES**

At the Parish Office  
During normal opening hours



**Sunday 27 December  
First Sunday after Christmas**

**8.00am Holy Communion**  
Readings: Colossians 3: 12 - 17  
Luke 2: 41 - 52

**10.00am Family Communion**  
Hymns and Readings:  
**18** Angels from the realms of glory  
**17** Ding dong merrily on high  
**16** God rest ye merry gentlemen  
**3** Of the Father's love begotten

During Communion:  
Readings: Colossians 3: 12 - 17  
Luke 2: 41 - 52

**12noon Baptism**

**Evening services within the parish**

*St. Martin's* No service  
*St. Lawrence* Holy Communion  
*Mead Vale* 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 First Sunday after Christmas

*For his name only is exalted, his splendour above earth and heaven.*

*Psalm 148: 13*

### 8.00 & 10.00am Readings

Colossians 3: 12 - 17 - *Rules for Holy Living* - "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (v17)

Luke 2: 41 - 52 - *The Boy Jesus at the Temple* - Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers." (v47)

### Readings for 3 January - Second Sunday after Christmas

8.00am & 10.00am - Ephesians 1: 3 - 14 \* John 1: 10 - 18

6.00pm - Jeremiah 31: 7-14

## Prayers

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who wonderfully created us in your own image  
and yet more wonderfully restored us  
through your Son Jesus Christ:  
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,  
so we may share the life of his divinity;  
who is alive and reigns, with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### Post Communion

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home:  
help your Church to live as one family,  
united in love and obedience,  
and bring us all at last to our home in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Notices for the week

Introducing **Children to Communion** - With permission from the Bishop of Bath and Wells we will be working towards including children more fully in Holy Communion in 2016. Two introductory sessions have been arranged in the New Year, primarily for families, but open to anyone in the parish who would like to know more. **Dates are either: Wednesday 20 January 3.45pm in St Martin's Church OR Saturday 23 January 10am in St Mark's Church.** The sessions will be identical, lasting about an hour with refreshments provided. There will be more information in January's Worle Wide Express.

**Can you help? Parish Office Volunteers & Gift Aid Co-ordinator needed!** Due to the retirement of some of our valuable volunteers (see December Worle Wide Express) we are looking for help. The **Parish Office work** involves one day a week from 9am-12noon, particularly Monday or Tuesday, duties are varied and interesting. Please contact Liz Winter our Parish Administrator during office hours. 515922. **The Gift Aid Co-ordinator** works with the four churches to administrate our Gift Aided contributions, contrary to the article in WWE, this role would probably only be a commitment of around two hours a week and would be great for anyone who is computer literate and enjoys working with figures. Please contact Rev Anne Farmer in the first instance 515610.

**Parish Office** - Please note the Parish office is closed until Monday 4 January 2016.

**Used Postage Stamps** - if you have any used postage stamps that you would like to donate to Guide Dogs for the Blind please speak to Carol Savill.

**There will be no midweek Holy Communion** - on 30 December at St Mark's and 24 December and 31 December at St Martin's

**Audrey Beck** sadly passed away very suddenly on Saturday 12 December. Her funeral will take place at Wick St. Lawrence church on Monday 11 January at 12.00noon. Please remember Dennis in your prayers at this sad time.

**Sanctuary Morning** - Start the year quietly at Wick St. Lawrence on Saturday 2 January in Wick Church. Drop in anytime between 10.00am and 12.30pm for peace, quiet and reflection. Hot drinks and cake provided.

### Dates for your Diary

**St. Martin's Baby and Toddler Group** - will recommence on Tuesday 5 January 2016 at 9.30am.

**St. Martin's Fellowship** - Tuesday 13 January at 2.15pm in Church.