Diary for week commencing 27 November 2016

Today	_	-
Monday	9.30am	Mendip Green School Christmas Rehearsal
Tuesday	9.00am	Baby and Toddler Group
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion (St Mark's)
-	9.30am	Mendip Green School Christmas Rehearsal
Thursday	10.00am	Holy Communion
•	11.00am	Church Cleaning
	6.15pm	Choir Practice
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers Practice
Friday	·	•
Saturday	All day	Install Crib and Christmas Tree into Church
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Next Sunday The Second Sunday of Advent

[Duty Warden – Paul Elliott]

8.00am Holy Communion

12.30pm Baptisms

10.00am Family Communion

6.00pm Service of Healing with Holy Communion

Prayers

- Heavenly Father, would you guard and grow this Parish and its four churches during our Team Rector vacancy. By the power of your Holy Spirit guide us as we seek the right minister and those who are seeking the right church for their ministry. Together may we discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow. Amen
- For all who give their time bringing comfort and help to those in need.
- For the children at this time of Advent as they look forward to the wonder of Christmas

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Including Baptism & Wedding Enquiries Monday - Friday: 9.00am - 12 noon Wednesday: 7.00pm - 8.00pm (by appointment only)

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Sunday 27 November 2016 The First Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

Readings: Isaiah 2: 1 - 5

Matthew 24: 36 - 44

10.00am Family Communion

Hymns and Readings:

493 O Come O come Emmanuel

700 Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour

102 Come thou long expected Jesus

266 I cannot tell

During Communion: 752*5*12*7

Readings: Isaiah 2: 1 - 5

Matthew 24: 36 - 44

12.00pm Baptism - Lewis James Mawbey

Evening services within the parish

St. Martin's No service

St. Lawrence Holy Communion Mead Vale Pub Presence

- 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 First Sunday of Advent

For the sake of my family and friends, I will say, "Peace be within you."

Psalm 122:8

8.00am and 10.00am Readings

Isaiah 2: 1-5 - The vision of Isaiah... – "Hear, O heavens, and listen, O earth; for the Lord has spoken..." (v2)

Matthew 24: 36-44 - *The Coming of the Son of Man* - "Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." (v42)

Readings for Sunday 4 December - The Second Sunday of Advent 8.00 and 10.00am Readings: Isaiah 11: 1 - 10 * Matthew 3: 1 - 12

Advent is here, Christmas is near. (to the tune of Silent Night)

Wait for One: God's special Son.

Light up the candle with hope in your heart.

Pray for a world of hope and do your part.

Jesus, bring us your peace. Jesus, bring us your peace.

Prayers

Collect

Almighty God,

give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness

and put upon us the armour of light,

now in the time of this mortal life,

in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility;

that in the last day

when he shall come again in his glorious majesty

to judge both the quick and the dead,

we may rise to the life immortal;

through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,

now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord our God,

as we wait for the coming of thy Son our Lord,

preserve us in watchfulness and faith,

that when he shall appear

he may not find us asleep in sin

but active to serve him

and joyful to praise him;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Notices for the week

Parish Treasurer - Having become the Chair of Governors for St Martin's School and now working away from home quite frequently, Mark Preddy, our Parish Treasurer, is having to stand down from this role at the end of the year. Mark has faithfully served God in this capacity for many years for which we are truly grateful. The job of Parish Treasurer has recently become much simpler since our book keeping and payroll has been outsourced. We are looking for someone willing to take over this important role from Mark. The work of Parish Treasurer is supported by the individual church treasurers, others in the parish and the Diocese. A willing heart and some ability with figures would be necessary. Please pray to see if God is calling you to take on this vital ministry in the parish.

Carol Singing at Worlebury Golf Club - Friday 16 December at 7.00pm. Would you like to be part of our annual Christmas Celebrations at Worlebury Golf Club. Please see sign - up sheet in porch. We need a good group to make it successful.

Swell the choir for Christmas - Mainly through ill health our Sunday choir numbers have been dropping but we'd love to have a full choir sing at our Carols by Candlelight service on Sunday 18 December at 6pm, which is such a blessing to the community. Would you like to sing with the choir until Christmas and swell the numbers? No long term commitment is involved – we'd love to see you. For more information please speak with one of the Churchwardens, Barbara or Paul.

Sanctuary Morning at Wick Church Saturday 3 December, drop in any time between 10am and 12.30pm, for peace, quiet and reflection.

Worle Wide Express - available today at the back of the church, please take your copy.

Dates for the Diary

Parish Prayer at St Martin's Tuesday 13 December 7.30—8.30. Please join us for an hour as we pray for God's choice of a new Team Rector, for our churches and for the parish.

Carol Singing on Worle High Street, out side the Co-op 11am—12 noon, Saturday 17 December.