

## Diary for week commencing Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026 –

### The Sunday next before Lent

8.00am Said Communion  
10.00am Sung Communion  
6.00pm Evensong

**Monday** 3.00pm Worle Churches Together meeting in St Martins

### Tuesday – Shrove Tuesday

2.00pm House Group Session 4  
7.00pm Pancakes and Beetle Drive

### Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

7.00pm Said Communion with Ashing

**Thursday** 10.00am Said Communion  
*Followed by Community Café*

6.15pm. Choir Practice  
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice  
7.30pm. Men's Fellowship Curry Night

**Friday**

**Saturday** Community Film Night –  
**One Life** – starring Anthony Hopkins  
Doors Open at 5.15pm, Film starts at 5.45pm. Entrance Free. Donations for refreshments gratefully received.

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – The First Sunday of Lent

8.00am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Sung Communion with Bishop Michael

*Refreshment Rota: Margaret Smith and Jan Watkins*

12.00noon Parish Sunday Lunch at the Woolpack Farm Shop

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A warm welcome  
to St Martin's  
Parish Church



## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026 The Sunday next before Lent

**8.00am** Said Communion  
**Readings:** Exodus 24.12-18  
2 Peter 1.16-21  
Matthew 17.1-9

**10.00am** Sung Communion  
**Readings:** Exodus 24.12-18  
*Read by: Karen Norris*  
2 Peter 1.16-21  
*Read by: Janice Richardson*  
Matthew 17.1-9

**Hymns:** Christ whose glory fills the skies  
Meekness and Majesty  
God is working his purpose out  
My heart is filled with thankfulness  
You shall go out with joy

*Refreshment Rota: Ann Butt and Joy Kenward*

**6.00pm** Evensong  
Psalm 84  
**Readings:** 2 Kings 2.1-12  
Matthew 17.9-23

**Hymns:** Be Thou my Vision NEH339  
O For a Closer Walk Choir only  
King of Glory NEH391  
Glory to Thee NEH244

Everyone is Invited  Everyone is Welcome  
*Journeying together in the love of Jesus*

### **Collect for the Sunday next before Lent**

Holy God,  
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:  
set straight our crooked hearts,  
and bend our wills to love your goodness  
and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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### **Please pray for...**

Those who are caught up in conflict, war, acts of terrorism, agencies that are providing food and medical resources to the regions and those seeking peace.

The natural world and those who are affected by Climate Change.

For the work of Hope Christian Trust and Weston Foodbank, and for the communities in Zambia linked to the Diocese and for Sergio

We pray for all that are ill, who mourn

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### **Exodus 24.12-18**

Moses and Joshua go up the mountain into God's presence. The cloud (and fire) that had been part of the leading of the people out of Egypt cover the mountain to signify God's presence. As Moses enters God's presence, and stays there 40 days, there is a physical representation of the Covenant – a relationship between God and people. This relationship made on God's terms, not ours.

### **2 Peter 1.16-21**

Peter reflects on his experience on the mount of Transfiguration and underlines God's initiative in this.

### **Matthew 17.1-9**

This passage informs us of the occasion of the Transfiguration of Jesus. The word transfiguration means a dramatic change in form, appearance or character, implying a transformation into a more beautiful, glorified and exalted state. At this moment when Jesus' Transfiguration is witnessed by the disciples Peter, James and John, they observe Jesus united with Moses and Elijah, a culmination of the Law and the Prophets, and receive an instruction from the Father that Jesus is His Son, 'whom I love and with whom I am pleased', and the disciples are instructed to 'Listen to Him'.

### **Church Sunday Lunch – 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

The next lunch will be on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February at the Woolpack Inn. Please sign the up on the list on the Communications Table by Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> February

### **Community Film Night**

The next film will be on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February**, when we will watch **One Life** starring Anthony Hopkins.

### **Men's Fellowship: Next Meeting - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm**

This will be a Curry Night. Please see the Communications Board and Table for information and a sign up list.

### **House Group in Church – 17<sup>th</sup> February**

Study group continues this Tuesday on 17<sup>th</sup> February, when we will be continuing to explore the whole message of the Bible, continuing to study the New Testament. Everyone is welcome.

### **Shrove Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Pancake and Beetle Drive 7pm**

Come along on Shrove Tuesday for our annual Pancake and Beetle Drive. Admission free, donations welcome, there will also a raffle to raise funds for our Lent Appeal. *Please see poster for more details*

### **Ash Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 7pm Communion with Ashing**

We will be having a communion service on Ash Wednesday with Ashing - which is optional – to start the season of Lent. Please see the separate leaflet which highlights the services and events available in church during Lent.

### **Visit of Bishop Michael – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

Bishop Michael will be joining us for worship on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 10am. He will also be in the parish on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February with a special PCC meeting being held at 7pm on that day.

### **Messy Church**

The next Messy Church Sessions will be at St Martin's School on

**Wednesdays 25<sup>th</sup> March**. Contact Jon if you would like to find out more about being involved with Messy Church.

