

Diary for week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026

**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

- 8.00am Said Communion  
10.00am All Age Service  
6.00pm Service of Prayer and Reflection

**Monday**

- Tuesday** 2.00pm House Group – The Gospel of John Session 2

**Wednesday**

- Thursday** 10.00am Mid-week Holy Communion  
10.45am Cake and Coffee  
6.15pm Choir Practice  
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

**Friday**

- Saturday** 10.00am Women's Fellowship Breakfast at the Kings Head Pub

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May – The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

- 8.00am Said Communion  
10.00am Sung Communion

*Refreshment Rota; Ann Butt and Joy Kenward*



**CHURCH OFFICE**

St Martin's Church  
Church Road, Worle  
BS22 9EL  
Mobile: 07808832530  
[stmartinschurchworle1@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinschurchworle1@gmail.com)

**Parish Website and Facebook**

[www.stmartinsworle.org.uk](http://www.stmartinsworle.org.uk)  
<https://www.facebook.com/StMartinsChurchWorleUK>  
Baptism & Wedding  
Enquiries please phone  
07808832530.

**STAFF TEAM**

**Vicar**

Rev Jon Ormrod  
07596 995061  
[revjonormrod@gmail.com](mailto:revjonormrod@gmail.com)

**Associate Priest**

Preb. Dr Gilly Bunce  
07922157022  
[bunce.gilly@gmail.com](mailto:bunce.gilly@gmail.com)

**Readers**

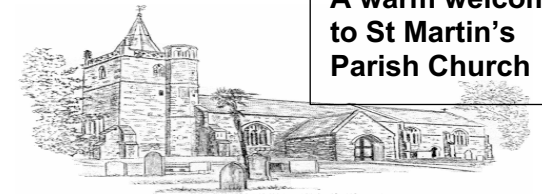
Yvonne Criddle  
01934 515912  
Grace Rubery  
07759585946

**Churchwardens**

Paul Elliott  
07725 016805  
Jill Preddy  
07592 686209

**Safeguarding**

[safeguardingstmartinsworle@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingstmartinsworle@gmail.com)  
07443 303712



A warm welcome  
to St Martin's  
Parish Church

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026  
The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**8.00am Said Communion**  
**Readings:** Acts 7.55-60  
1 Peter 2.2-10  
John 14.1-14

**10.00am All Age Service**  
**Reading:** Luke 4.16-21

**Hymns:** Praise to the Lord  
Jesus Christ is Waiting  
Lord for the Years

*Refreshment Rota; Sheila Judson*

**6.00pm Service of Prayer and Reflection**

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

**Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

**Post Communion Prayer**

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and forever. . Amen

+++++

**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. For Bishops Michael and Fiona and the senior staff of the diocese 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 For the work of Christian Aid For members of the Jewish community All who are ill, and mourn

+++++

**Readings**

**Acts 7.55-60**

This is an account of the first Christian martyrdom. In Acts 6, we read that Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, is chosen with six others to care for the needy among the Christian community. He soon attracts attention for his goodness and wisdom and is brought before the Council at Jerusalem, the assembly of the early Church, where he defends his faith. As a result he is taken out of the city and stoned. The young man named Saul, who held the clothes, became Paul, the apostle.

**1 Peter 2.2-10**

This passage includes two powerful images. Milk is pure food, provided for the most vulnerable young creatures. And then we meet the image of the stone. Members of the Church are to be 'living stones', building a living community, held together by Christ who is the cornerstone.

**John 14.1-14**

This forms part of John's account of Jesus' teaching at the Last Supper, where Jesus teaches the disciples that He is the way, the truth and the life.

**Luke 4.16-21**

Jesus returns to Galilee and goes to the synagogue in Nazareth on the Sabbath where he reads from the prophet Isaiah, a passage that focusses on being anointed by the Holy Spirit and being a messenger bringing good news to the poor and the vulnerable and those in need.

**Parish Sunday Lunch – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

The next Parish Sunday Lunch is on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May at the Woolpack Inn Farm Shop. If you would like to attend then please sign the list on the Communications Table by Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

**Women's Fellowship:** Next Meeting will be on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 10am** with Breakfast at the Kings Head. Please see the Communications Table for the sign-up list.

**Men's Fellowship:** Next Meeting **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May.** With a walk along Sand Bay followed by food. Please sign up for either fish and chips or sausage and chips on the list on the Communications Table.

**House Group in Church – John's Gospel**

The second session on St John's Gospel will be at 2pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May. All Welcome.

**Food Bank**

There are boxes in Church for any donations, which are urgently required.

**Christian Aid Week – 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

For Christian Aid Week this year we will be having a bucket collection in church. There will be envelopes for you to use in order to gift aid your donation if you would like to. On **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May (which is also Ascension Day)** the coffee and cake after the 10am service will be for Christian Aid. Do please come along and bring a friend and help us to raise money for this important cause.

**Ascension Day – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

This year for Ascension Day there will be Morning Prayer at 8.30am followed by coffee and croissants. The communion at 10.00am followed by cake and coffee. Donations for all refreshments will be for Christian Aid

**Pentecost – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

This year for Pentecost we will be joining together with our friends in all the churches across Worle for a picnic on the Recreation Field next to St Peter's Church from 12.30pm onwards. Everyone is invited – bring friends and neighbours too. More details to follow.

**The Church Cleaning Team need more helpers!**

Could you give 1 hour per month to help keep the church building clean? Volunteers are needed to join the cleaning team. Please speak to Jill to find out more information about how you might be able to help. Thank you.