

Diary for week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
**Sunday after Ascension Day**

8.00am Said Communion  
10.00am Sung Communion  
6.00pm Evensong

**Monday**

**Tuesday** 2.00pm House Group – The Gospel of John Session 4  
4.15pm Messy Church Planning Meeting

**Wednesday** 7.00pm PCC in Church

**Thursday** 10.00am Mid-week Holy Communion  
10.45am Christian Aid Coffee Morning  
6.15pm Choir Practice  
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice  
7.30pm Men's Fellowship  
*See poster for more details*

**Friday** 7.00pm Worle Chorale Rehearsal

**Saturday** 12.30pm Order of St Francis Prayer Meeting

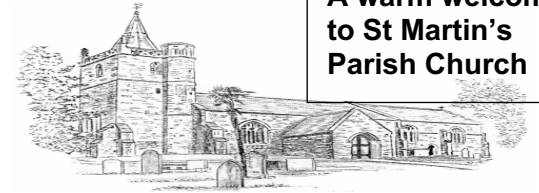
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Pentecost**

8.00am Said Communion  
10.00am Sung Communion

*Refreshment Rota; Ann Butt and Jo Hunt*

12.00noon Baptism of Enzo

12.30pm Worle Churches Together Pentecost Picnic in  
Recreation Field next to St Peters Church



A warm welcome  
to St Martin's  
Parish Church

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**8.00am** Said Communion  
**Readings:** Acts 1.6-14  
1 Peter 4.12-14,5.6-11  
John 17.1-11

**10.00am** Sung Communion  
**Reading:** Acts 1.6-14  
*Read by:* Janice Richardson  
1 Peter 4.12-14,5.6-11  
*Read by:* Diane Swatton  
John 17.1-11

**Hymns:** All Heaven Declares  
Father we love you  
Jesus is Lord  
King of Kings, Majesty  
Thine be the Glory

*Refreshment Rota: Hazel and Keith Stenner*

**6.00pm** Evensong  
Psalm 47  
**Readings:** 2 Samuel 23.1-5  
Ephesians 1.15-23  
**Hymns:** Christ is made the sure  
Foundation NEH205  
Christ be with me NEH278 Choir  
Be Thou my Vision NEH339  
Praise my soul NEH436

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

**Collect for the Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Risen ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

**Post Communion Prayer**

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom; confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; 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. 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 Young People taking public examinations All who are ill, and mourn

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**Food Bank**

There are boxes in Church for any donations, five items requested this week are: Tinned Soup/Cup-a-Soup, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Custard. Thank You.

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**Readings**

**Acts 1.6-14**

Before His ascension, Jesus promises his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, which will empower them to serve the Lord and do His will. The disciples obey Jesus' command to return to Jerusalem, gather together for worship and wait for the gift of the Spirit to come upon them.

**1 Peter 4.12-14,5.6-11**

Peter encourages his readers to be alert and stand firm in their faith, instructing the people that those who are living their lives according to Christ's commands can expect to face persecution.

**John 17.1-11**

Jesus prays to the Father whilst in the presence of His disciples. He speaks of the completion of His work on earth according to the Father's will. He has made His Father known to the people He has met during His ministry. Jesus also prays for the disciples that they may know God's protecting presence and the unity which that brings.

**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 13<sup>th</sup> June** with a breakfast in church. Please see the list on the Communications Table.

**Men's Fellowship:** Next Meeting will be this **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 fourth session on St John's Gospel will be at 2pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May when we will be looking at Chapters 10-12. All welcome.

**Christian Aid Week – Last Day of Collection Today – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Please do give generously if you haven't already been able to do so.

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

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. See poster for further details.

**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.

**Woodspring Wordsmiths**

Is a new group for Christian writers of any genre who hope to be published, are already published or who write just for fun. It will be a safe place to encourage each other, discuss items and share experiences. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June from 7.30-9pm at Uphill Methodist Church. Please see poster for more details.

**Paperback Books required by the League of Friends for Weston Hospital**

Please bring in any paperback books you no longer want and are happy to donate to the League of Friends Shop at Weston. There will be a collecting box in the porch for the books.

**Messy Church**

The next Messy Church planning meeting will be at 4.15pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May and the next Messy Church Session will be after school on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. All are welcome. Ask Jon for more information

**Heartbeat Prayer Group – 6pm on 31<sup>st</sup> May**

The Prayer group will now take place at 6pm on the Fifth Sunday of the Month. The next meeting will be at 6pm on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Please see poster for more details or talk to Jon