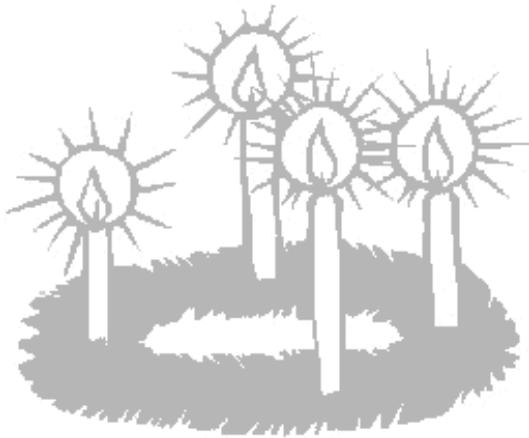


The Parish Church of St Martin Bowness-on-Windermere



First Sunday of Christmas
27th December 2020

Keep in Touch!

A loop system is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.

Large print copies of this sheet and the hymn book are available. Please ask if you would like one.

*Creator God, we give you thanks for all your blessings,
that you are truly for all, and that all is for you.
Lord Jesus, we give you thanks that you call us to be your disciples
and to live as witnesses of your good news.
Holy Spirit, we pray that you will be with us in these days of prayer
to guide and lead us in all your ways. Amen*

A warm welcome to you all, especially to anyone visiting this morning.

Collect and Post Communion Prayer for the First Sunday of Christmas.

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 Prayer
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.

10.00 a.m.

Morning Praise

led by the Revd James Richards

Hymn 94

Christians awake

Greeting &
Prayers of Penitence

Collect

First reading

Galatians 4.4-7 (p.168 NT) read by Clive Watson

Second reading

Luke 2.15-21 (p.21 NT) read by Diana Dodd

Sermon

Preacher: James Richards

Hymn 321

Infant holy, infant lowly

Creed, Intercessions
& Lord's Prayer

Hymn 427

Love came down at Christmas

Peace

12.30 p.m

Wedding of Mark Oak and Jamie-Leigh Cusack

*In view of national church guidance about Coronavirus Covid-19
we are not currently serving refreshments after the service*

***Please remember to use the QR code at the door, or to complete a Test
and Trace form and leave it behind.***

This week

We pray especially for all who are alone or separated from family and friends this Christmastide.

We pray for Mark Oak and Jamie-Leigh Cusack marrying today.

Links for Morning and Evening Prayer will be on our Facebook page (and on the website) each weekday. Live-streamed daily prayer will resume on 4th January.

Next Sunday: Epiphany
10.00 a.m. Holy Communion
President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

Dates for the month can be found in Parish News or on the website on the 'What's on' page.

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**NOTICE BOARD**

**Comfort & Joy booklets** - Please take one, free of charge, for your household. Additional copies may be ordered (50p each). Please see James if you would like to place an order.

**Children's Society Collection Boxes** I am hoping to collect these boxes early in the new year if possible. If you are able, I can collect them from church, but I understand that not everyone is able to attend services at present. If you would like me to collect your box from home, would you either please email me at [janetarudd@yahoo.com](mailto:janetarudd@yahoo.com), or telephone me on 42119. Thank you. *Janet Rudd*

**Readers required** for the 10am services. If you would like to be added to the list of people on the readings rota, please speak to either James or Sarah. Large print versions of the readings can be provided on request, & preferences for either Old or New Testament readings will be taken into account if necessary.

**Church Log Book** - please use the folder, located in the St John's Room, on the Rector's bookshelf, to note down any faults, repairs, or jobs requiring attention (i.e. light bulbs needing to be replaced, leaking pipes etc).

**Recycle your used stamps** Please leave envelopes with stamps attached, or stamps with a half-inch border of envelope around them, on Sarah's desk in the St John's Room. These will be passed on to St Mary's Hospice in Ulverston. Thank you.

Jane, James & family would like to thank everyone who has sent good wishes, Christmas cards & Christmas gifts. We wish you Christmas joy & peace, & a happy 2021.



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