

# The Parish Church of St Martin Bowness-on-Windermere



ST MARTIN'S  
*You're always welcome*

**Third Sunday of Lent**  
23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

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.**

*Living Lord, as we offer to you our common life,  
refresh our vision that we may know your will  
and seek to follow in all your ways.*

*May we follow daily as your disciples,  
care deeply for one another in community,  
speak boldly your gospel word of love,  
and tread gently as faithful stewards of your goodness.*

*We ask this in the power of your holy name,  
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of our lives, today and for ever. Amen*

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

**Collect and Post Communion for the Third Sunday of Lent.**

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy  
but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory  
before he was crucified:  
mercifully grant that we,  
walking in the way of the cross,  
may find it none other than  
the way of life and peace;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion Prayer**

Merciful Lord,  
grant your people grace to withstand  
the temptations of the world,  
the flesh and the devil,  
and with pure hearts and minds  
to follow you, the only God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**10.00 a.m.**

**Morning Praise for Lent**

Leader: Tony

Greeting

Lent Cross

Hymn 105

Christ whose glory fills the skies

Prayers of Penitence

Praise

First reading

1 Corinthians 10.1-13 (p.151 NT) read by David Sales

Reflection

Second reading

Luke 13.1-9 (p.64 NT) read by Ann Wanska

Reflection

Affirmation of Faith

Hymn 723

We sing the praise of him who died

Intercessions, Lord's  
Prayer & Collect

Jill Butler

Hymn 570

Praise the Lord! Ye heavens adore him



Coffee & refreshments will be served, after the service,  
at the back of church.

## This week

As the government announces proposals for change to benefits of all kinds, we pray for those for whom their dependence on benefits makes this a particularly anxious time, and for those whose resources put them just outside the reach of state benefits, but who are financially struggling and marginalised.

God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world. Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine and in Ukraine. We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin. Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace. In Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



5.30 p.m. James attending St Martin & St Mary Church of England Primary School Governors' Meeting



1.30 p.m. James attending Pioneering Parishes Focus Group meeting  
3.00 p.m. Benefice Home Group meets at St Mary's Church. A chance to share together on the readings from the Living Hope Lent booklets. All welcome  
7.30 p.m. James attending Windermere Endowed School Governors meeting



10.30 a.m. Fourth Wednesday Communion Service at St Martin's (BCP) with refreshments after the service, & the opportunity to pray with someone, or simply to chat.



10.00 a.m. James leading collective worship at St Martin & St Mary's CE Primary School



9.00 a.m. James attending Cumbria Ministry Development Day

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**Next Sunday: Mothering Sunday / Fourth Sunday of Lent**

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion & Baptism of Nathaniel Taylor  
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.

## NOTICE BOARD

**Welcoming will soon restart (Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April).** New newcomers are always needed & full training & support is provided. Please speak to Ann Wanska if you would like to know more about this rewarding & essential role. We would love to have you on the team!

**Children's Society** Thank you very much to all the box-holders, who raised £412.05 (February 2024-February 2025). Please let me know if any other church member wishes to have a Children's Society collecting box in their home. Thank you for all your support.

**New Electoral Roll** Every six years the Electoral Roll of St Martin's undergoes a full revision. If you are an existing member & wish to remain on the Electoral Roll, you will need to complete a new application form. This also applies to anyone, not already on the Electoral Roll, who would like to become a member. Please see Pat Baldwin, the Electoral Roll Officer, after the service, to obtain a copy of the Application Form. Copies can also be obtained from the Church Office. The completed forms must be returned no later than the 18th April 2025.

**Pro Nobis Singers** concert: Sacred Choral Music from Six Centuries. Music by Palestrina, Purcell, Lotti, J. S. Bach, Brahms, Rheinberger, Łukaszewski & more. Sunday, 6th April, 2025, at 2.30pm in Holy Trinity & St George Catholic Church, New Road, Kendal. A choral pilgrimage, starting in the 16th century & finishing in the 21<sup>st</sup>. Tickets £15 (under 16s free) [www.pronobis-singers.com](http://www.pronobis-singers.com) .

**Levens Choir concerts** 'Maurice Durufle Requiem & Quatre Motets'. St George's Church, Kendal on Saturday 12th April, 7.30pm & Ripley St Thomas CE Chapel, Lancaster on Sunday 13th April, 3pm. Tickets £17 (children & students free) available on the door or via [www.levenschoir.net](http://www.levenschoir.net).

**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.

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