

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th January

Weekly update Sunday 19th January 2025

Verse of the Week

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit, we were all baptised into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12.12-13

Collect for Christian Unity

Heavenly Father, you have called us in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ to continue his work of reconciliation and reveal you to the world. Forgive us the sins which tear us apart; give us the courage to overcome our fears and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will; 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. **Amen.**

Bible Readings

This week's bible readings; 19th January: 1 Corinthians 12; 1-11 and John 2; 1-11

Next week's bible readings for Sunday 26th January: 1 Corinthians 12; 12-31a and Luke 4:14-21

Services in the Parish this week beginning Sunday 19th January 2025



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Lady St Mary, Wareham

9.00am Breakfast Church, Sandford St Martin's

10.00am Praise Communion for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

10.30am Morning Worship, Sandford St Martin's

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP), St Nicholas, Arne

Wednesday 22nd January 11.00am Holy Communion (BCP), St Martin on the Walls

Services in the Parish week beginning Sunday 26th January 2025

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP), Lady St Mary, Wareham

9.00am Breakfast Church, Sandford St Martin's

10.00am Holy Communion, Lady St Mary, Wareham

10.00am Holy Communion (BCP), at St John the Evangelist church

10.30am Holy Communion, Sandford St Martin's

Wednesday 29th January 11.00am Holy Communion (BCP), St Martin on the Walls

What is happening in the Parish...



Open House - Thursday 30th January 2025 - 'Open House' at Sandford St Martin's Church, **2pm**. 'Quiz' with time after for cup of tea, chat, and a raffle for charity. All are most welcome.

A new Co-ordinator is sought for the monthly (with exception of August) 'Open House' Group at Sandford St Martin's Church.

This would be with effect from April 2025. Please consider this request as 'Open House' often reaches out to twenty or more people and Lesley would be grateful for any enquiries through herself or the Parish Office on 550905. Thank you.

Coffee Morning - At Pine Martin Grange, Sandford, on **Wednesday 29th January**



2025 between 10.30am to 12.30pm. This is in aid of Pets as Therapy. Sandford St Martin's church are doing the raffle if anyone can donate any Prizes, please drop off at the Parish Office or take to Sandford St Martin's church on the Sundays

before this date. All are most welcome.



The Promise of his Glory - Choral Evening Prayer for the Feast of The Presentation of Christ in the Temple at The Priory Church of Lady St Mary, Wareham - **Sunday 4th February 2025 at 6pm**

Come and mark the end of our celebration of The Saviour's birth, in words, prayer and music.

Men's Breakfast

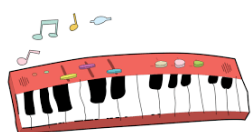
The next Men's breakfast is on **Saturday 15th February 2025 at the Bear Hotel, South Street starting at 8.30am**. The guest speaker this month will be Mike Quinlan, Churchwarden. Whether you are a regular at men's breakfasts, or have never been before, you are most welcome to come along. **Please contact the Parish Office no later than the Wednesday before to book your place, on 01929 550905 or email:**



parish.office@warehamchurches.org.uk

We need you!

Are you able to spare a few hours a week to join the Saturday or Sunday morning coffee rota, it is a great opportunity to get to know others in the Parish.



Sandford St Martin's Church wish to recruit more musicians - keyboard etc. - for their 10.30am services on the first and second Sunday of each month. First Sunday is usually Morning Worship and the second Holy Communion. If anyone interested, please contact Lesley. Thank you.

If you are interested in any of the above, please let Debs in the Parish office know

Tel: 550905 or parish.office@warehamchurches.org.uk



Prayer Focus:

We give thanks to God for:

- The diversity of Christian traditions and understandings across the world.
- Our different local church communities and all who serve in leadership roles.
- Christ's love in action, breaking down barriers and divisions between us and encouraging community.

We pray to God for:

- Those in need because of fire, or flood, war and lack of food or water. Remembering those without homes or shelter.
- Christians seeking reconciliation and peace in areas of conflict and war.
- Closer ecumenical working and Christian togetherness, praying for faith representatives within the World Council of Churches.

Those asking for prayer:

Graham Baynes

And those we continue to pray for:

Mary Barnes, Jane Patterson, John Cleaton, Anne Mills

Those who have died recently and those who mourn:

(Margaret) Joan Chappell – Funeral Service to take place Tuesday 21st January 1pm at Poole Crematorium

Lydia Carter – Funeral Service Friday 24th January 11.30am, Harbour View Crematorium

Our Mission Prayer:

Heavenly Father we pray for Bishop Paul and the other leaders in St Stephen's School and our link Diocese of Terekeka, South Sudan. May this year bring peace to that troubled land. Thank you for their amazing trust and hope and joy. Strengthen our support for them in loving partnership, prayer and giving. For Jesus' sake. **Amen**

Gathering for Prayer:

Parish Prayer Group – Every **Tuesday at 7.30pm**, gathering in person, in one of our homes. Contact Debs at the Parish Office Tel: 550905 for the venue. All are welcome to join us to pray. Please see dates below:

Month	Meetings in person on Tuesdays
January	21 st , 28 th

Prayers for Peace – Every **Friday at 5pm in Lady St Mary Church**. All invited to make time to pause and pray for peace in our world, in our community and in our lives.

Are you able to offer your gifts and skills to enhance and lead our worship? **YES?**

Do you want worship to be engaging, creative and fun? **YES?**

Then come along to the new
Lay Worship Leaders Course

Enhancing learning more about prayer, music, all-age worship, giving talks and more.

Starting 1st February 2025 and
followed by 15th February 1st, 15th and 29th March

If you would like further information, please contact Revd.'s Neil or Deborah
neilkelly3@icloud.com or debjswann@gmail.com

GREEN TIP

It's obvious when you think about it, but a switched-off device uses less energy than something left on, so be vigilant at home and at work to turn off appliances you're not using.



Readings for Daily Morning Prayer:

*Indicates Festival

	Psalm (s)	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday 20 th January	146	Amos 6	1 Corinthians 6:1-11
Tuesday 21 st January	132	Amos 7	1 Corinthians 6:12-end
Wednesday 22 nd January	81	Amos 8	1 Corinthians 7:1-24
Thursday 23 rd January	76	Amos 9	1 Corinthians 7:25-end
Friday 24 th January	27	Hosea 1: 1-2:1	1 Corinthians 8
Saturday 25 th January*	66	Ezekiel 3:22-end	Philippians 3:1-14

Parish Office opening times - The Parish Office is open to answer all face-to-face enquiries, telephone and email enquiries **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** 9am to 1pm. At all other times enquiries and queries can be made by email and they will be dealt with as soon as possible.



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