

# ST MARY'S AND ST MARTIN'S

## 28 December

### First Sunday of Christmas

St Mary's 8am service - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays - Holy Communion (BCP)  
St Mary's 4pm Second Sunday of month - Evensong  
St Martin's 10am service - Parish Communion

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St Martin's	Parish Communion
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	2pm-5pm	Parish Centre	Christmas Afternoon Teas
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan Epiphany	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	St Martin's	Parish Communion with Breakfast at 9.30am

#### READINGS FOR SUNDAY

Jeremiah 31:15-17

Matthew 2: 13-18

**COLLECT:** God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

#### OUR NEWS

##### CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

You are invited to share with us Afternoon Tea on **Tuesday, 30th December**, from **2:00 pm to 5:00 pm** at St Martin's Parish Centre. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather together and celebrate the season. Everyone is welcome! **To help us with catering, please RSVP to: Karen: 07899 814159 or Linda: 07917 130034**

**How you can help:** We would be incredibly grateful for any **donations of cakes** or offers of **help on the day**. If you are free to assist, please let us know. Thank you, *Sue Skinner*

##### THANK YOU!

A sincere thank you from Charles, Anke and Hannah for all your warm Christmas wishes and kindnesses. This comes with all our good wishes and prayers for you all for 2026.

##### 40<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY INVITE

Mark and Lis invite you to join them in celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on **Sunday 4 January** from 12.30 onwards in St Martin's Parish Centre. Buffet meal. RSVP by 31 December. Everyone welcome.

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**Please remember in your prayers:**

- All those known to us who need **healing** at this time, including: Jane Gilbert, Orla & her family, Sue Willis, Father Philip, Helmut, Jonathan Turner and Clare.
  - Those who have died.
  - The Diocese of St Albans, Bishop Richard as Acting Bishop of St Albans; Bishop Jane; Archdeacon Janet, and all those who support us in our worship and ministry.
  - Places suffering from war, conflict and strife, among them: The Holy Land – Israel and Palestine, Ukraine, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Mali, Yemen, and Sudan.
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