

**Diary for week commencing Sunday 25th January 2026 –
The Conversion of Paul/ The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Sung Communion with Healing

Refreshment Rota: Margaret Smith and Jan Watkins

12.00noon Parish Sunday Lunch at the Farm Shop of
the Woolpack Inn

Monday

Tuesday 2.00pm House Group Session 1

Wednesday

Thursday 10.00am Said Communion
Followed by Community Cafe

6.15pm. Choir Practice
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 11.00am. Mission Giving Group meeting in Church

Saturday

**Sunday 1st February –
The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany/Candlemas**

8.00am Said Communion
10.00am All Age Worship

Refreshment Rota:

6.00pm Service of Prayer and Reflection



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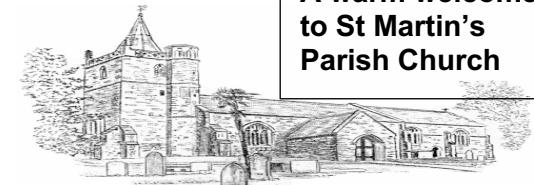
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**A warm welcome
to St Martin's
Parish Church**



**Sunday 25th January 2026
The Conversion of St Paul
The Third Sunday of Epiphany**

8.00am **Readings:** Morning Prayer
Psalm 67
Acts 9.1-22
Matthew 19.23-30

10.00am **Readings:** Sung Communion with Healing
Acts 9.1-22
Karen Norris
Galatians 1.11-16
Read by: Neil Adams
Matthew 19.23-30

Hymns: O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Spirit of the Living God
The Churches One Foundation
Be Still for the Presence of the Lord
I will Sing the Wondrous Story

Refreshment Rota: Margaret Smith & Jan Watkins

12.00noon Parish Sunday Lunch at the Farm Shop of the Woolpack Inn

Everyone is Invited **Everyone is Welcome**

Journeying together in the love of Jesus

Collect for the Conversion of St Paul

Almighty God, who caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul: grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion may follow him in bearing witness to your truth; 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

Post Communion Prayer for the Conversion of St Paul

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; 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.

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

We pray for all that are ill, who mourn

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Acts 9.1-22

This recounts the dramatic conversion of Saul of Tarsus (later to be renamed Paul) on the road to Damascus, the temporary loss of his sight and then the encounter with Ananais a member of the early church in Damascus, who has been called by Jesus in a vision to go to Saul and baptise him.

Galatians 1.11-16

The beginning of Paul's letter to the church in Galatia is his defence of his authority and the divine origin of the gospel he preaches, emphasizing that his message came directly from Jesus Christ via a special revelation, not from any human source or teaching.

Matthew 19.23-30

Jesus tells the disciples of the eternal rewards for those who came to God and give of themselves to serve him

Church Sunday Lunch – 25th January - Today

This will be at the Woolpack Farm Shop at 12.00noon.

The next lunch will be on Sunday, 22nd February at the same venue. Please sign the up on the list on the Communications Table by Sunday, 15th

Community Film Night

The next film will be on **Saturday 21st February**, when we will watch **One Life** starring Anthony Hopkins. Doors open at 5.15pm with the screening starting at 5.45pm Free admission – donations for refreshments and snacks gratefully received.

Women's Fellowship: Next Meeting - **Saturday 14th February at 10am** with a Breakfast in Church. Please see Communications Table for more details and to sign up for the event.

Men's Fellowship: Next Meeting - **Thursday 19th February at 7.30pm** This will be a Curry Night. Please see the Communications Board and Table for information and a sign up list.

House Group in Church – 27th January

Study groups resume this Tuesday on 27th January 2026, when we will be looking and studying the whole message of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. On 27th we will start with a general introduction to the Bible. See *Poster for more Details*

Prayer Group Meeting

Jon is going to be forming a Prayer Group in Church. First meeting will be on **Monday 2nd February at 7pm**. See *Poster for more details*

Messy Church

The next two Messy Church Sessions will be at St Martin's School on **Wednesdays 4th February and 25th March**. Contact Jon if you would like to find out more about being involved with Messy Church.

Shrove Tuesday 17th February – Pancake and Beetle Drive 7pm

Come along on Shrove Tuesday for our annual Pancake and Beetle Drive. Admission free, donations welcome, there will also a raffle to raise funds for our Lent Appeal. *Please see poster for more details*

Ash Wednesday 18th February 7pm Communion with Ashing

We will be having a communion service on Ash Wednesday with ashing - which is optional – to start the season of Lent. Please see the separate leaflet which highlights the services and events available in church during Lent.