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



## Second Sunday before Advent 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025

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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 Second Sunday before Advent.

#### Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed

to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God

and heirs of eternal life:

grant that we, having this hope,

may purify ourselves even as he is pure;

that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him

in his eternal and glorious kingdom;

where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

## Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord.

in this holy sacrament

you give substance to our hope:

bring us at the last to that fullness of life

for which we long; through Jesus Christ

our Saviour.

**Holy Communion** 10.00 a.m.

President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

Hymn 59 (t. Truro - 359)

Awake our souls, away our fears

Gloria (t. 672)

Glory to God! Our hearts to you we raise!

Joy and peace on earth, in highest heaven praise!

Songs of adoration, Lord, to you we bring,

Praising your great goodness, Father, heav'nly King.

Glory to God! Our hearts to you we raise!

Joy and peace on earth, in highest heaven praise!

Son of the Father, bearing this world's sin, Lamb of God, have mercy, grant us peace within. You, O Christ, are holy, you alone are Lord,

with the Holy Spirit evermore adored. Glory to God! Our hearts to you we raise...

Edwin Le Grice

Malachi 4.1-2a (p.796 OT) First reading

2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 (p.184 NT) read by Miriam Rayner Second reading

Hymn 468 New songs of celebration render

Luke 21.5-19 (p.72 NT) read by Jo Pearson Gospel

The Revd James Richards Sermon The Revd James Richards Intercessions

Offertory 186 For the healing of the nations

Sanctus (971)

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty! Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty! Who was and is, and is to come; holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

Blessèd, blessèd, blest is he who comes, blest is he who comes in the Lord's name. Blessèd, blessèd, blest is he who comes. blest is he who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the heights of heav'n.

Blessèd, blessèd, blessèd is the Lord.



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

## This week

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind (Isaiah 65.17). As we look to the day when God's kingdom comes - God's will is done here as in heaven - so we pray for renewal, justice and peace in our world, and for the part we are called to play in the new world that is coming.

We pray for the family and friends of Stuart Tweedale whose funeral is be on Tuesday, and we continue to pray for Sue Kershaw and Caleb and Amber and their families following Peter's funeral last week.



New church boiler to be fitted this week & next



8.30 a.m. James attending Youth Ministry Prayer Breakfast at St Mary's

11.00 a.m. Funeral of Stuart Tweedale



10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards



10.00 a.m. James leading Collective Worship at St Martin & St Mary CE

Primary School



11.00 a.m. PCC meeting at the church

Next Sunday: Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent

10.00 a.m. Morning Praise Leader: Liz Haworth

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



## Advent Sunday - 30th November, 10.30am

We're really looking forward to beginning the new Church year all together with a special joint service for all the churches in the South Lakes Team! Join us at St Mary's Church, Windermere, at 10.30am as we celebrate the start of Advent with joy and anticipation. James will be leading the service, and Olivia will be preaching.

If you know anyone who might need a lift to St Mary's, please do help them find a way to join in - we'd love everyone to be part of this joyful start to Advent!

**Christmas raffle** Tickets are on sale at the back of the church. The draw will take place during our Carol Service in December.

A card has been sent to St Martin's from the folk at Manna House, thanking us for our Harvest donation. For those who would like to see it, the card is at the back of the church.

**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.