

# The Parish Church of St Martin

## Bowness-on-Windermere



ST MARTIN'S  
*You're always welcome*

Third Sunday of Epiphany

25<sup>th</sup> January 2026

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 Epiphany**

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly  
grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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**

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the  
light of the world:  
may your people,  
illumined by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and  
obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for  
ever.

**10.00 a.m.**

**Morning Praise**

Leader: Rosemary Rooke

Greeting

Hymn 297

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Prayers of Penitence

Venite (t. 85)

First reading

1 Corinthians 1.10-18 (p.145 NT) read by  
Christine Pickering

Reflection

Second reading

Matthew 4.12-23 (p.3 NT) read by Liz Haworth

Reflection

Creed

Hymn 541

O thou who camest from above

Lord's Prayer,  
Intercessions, & Collect

Jill Butler

Hymn 32

And can it be that I should gain



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

## This week

On this day the Church remembers the conversion of St Paul. We give thanks for the transforming power of God's love, able to renew even the most unlikely people. We pray for that love to be at work in us, and that God will open our eyes to the possibility of it at work in others.

We continue to pray for our world in its turmoil, for those whose lives are already marred through violent conflict, persecution or political upheaval, and for all who are fearful. We pray for wisdom, justice, and the will to make peace and seek the common good in the leaders of our own and other nations.



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.  
President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

2.45 p.m. James taking assembly at Goodly Dale CP School



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



10.00 a.m. South Lakes Churches combined PCC's meeting at St Mary's

### Next Sunday: Presentation of Christ/Candlemas

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

President/Preacher: The Revd James Richards

12.30pm St Martin's Lunch Bunch lunch

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

# NOTICE BOARD

## Joint PCC Day: Saturday 31st January, 10am-2pm

All PCC members have received an invitation to attend our joint PCC day. We'll be gathering to reflect, share ideas, & strengthen how we work together as one team, with a particular focus on patterns of worship & communication.

This is an open meeting, so if you're not on the PCC but would like to be part of the conversation, you are very welcome to come along. Lunch will be provided, and there will be plenty of time for discussion, prayer, and collaboration.

All welcome - we'd love to see you there. Please RSVP to Sarah Svatins no later than the end of Monday (tomorrow)  
[admin@southlakeschurches.org.uk](mailto:admin@southlakeschurches.org.uk)

**Christingle Candle Money Boxes** - please return your filled candle to church as soon as possible. Thank you.

**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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