

St Martin's in Herne with St Peter's Greenhill

Together we seek God. Together we seek to reveal God's love and grace to all.

Sunday December 16th 2018

A very warm welcome to our Services today.
Please stay for coffee after the 10.00 am service. Our crèche area welcomes all parents with babies and toddlers. Children's/Youth Groups are also open to all.

PLEASE TAKE THIS
LEAFLET HOME
WITH YOU

Today:

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00 am Holy Communion
(Order 2)

10.00 am Holy Communion
*with Children's Groups and
Crèche*

*12.00 noon Thanksgiving for
the Gift of a Child*

**6.00 pm Carols by
Candlelight**

COLLECT

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your
messenger to prepare your way
before you: grant that the ministers
and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make
ready your way by turning the
hearts of the disobedient to the
wisdom of the just, that at your
second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable
people in your sight; for you are
alive and reign with the Father in
the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

TO OUR VISITORS: Please do not park on the old pub frontage, except in the first 2 spaces, which the church rents for its use for those in need. *Thank you.*

The church only functions thanks to the generosity of its members and others who give in response to God's gifts to them. There will be a collection during the third hymn at the 10.00 am Service. If you are a taxpayer, please use a Gift Aid envelope (*available at the ends of the pews or from the table by the entrance*).

If however you give through the church's regular giving scheme or are unable to give today, please just pass the basket on. *Thank you.*

See separate sheet for today's Bible Readings

PLEASE PRAY FOR those who are unwell including:

Kenneth, Margaret, John, Christopher, Tim, Craig, Murray, Grace, Josh & his sister Grace, Samuel, Alex, Gwen, Jan, Ruth, Lillian, Baby Jack and their families.

We commit to God's eternal love those who have died and we pray for those who mourn the deaths of their loved ones.

Note: If you would like us to pray for anyone or have asked for prayers for someone and their names may now be removed from the list, please tell Revd Carol. *Thank you.*

TODAY'S PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks,
O Lord,
for these heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your
Spirit that when your Christ
comes again
we may shine as lights
before his face;
who is alive and reigns
now and for ever.

Amen.

THIS WEEK

Mon Dec 17 th	7.00 pm Herne Junior School Carol Concert in St Martin's
Tues Dec 18 th	10.00 am Tuesday Toddlers @ Institute Hall
	10.00 am Community Café at Greenhill St Peter's
Wed Dec 19 th	9.00 am Morning Prayer
	10.00 am Holy Communion
	1.00 pm Little Acorns Nursery Nativity in St Martin's
	8.00 pm Bell Ringing Practice
Thurs Dec 20 th	7.00 pm Choir Practice
Fri Dec 21 st	- Little Fishes are on their Christmas holiday -

Hymns at 10.00 am

- Opening:** (469) O come, O come Emmanuel
Gradual: (247) Hark, a herald voice is calling
Offertory: (444) May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Closing: (683) To God be the glory!

Church Flowers

If you would like to contribute towards the cost of **Christmas Flowers**, we have between now and TODAY Sunday (Dec 16th) to do so.
Thank you.

Charitable Giving at Christmas

Throughout the month of December, we are invited to make a donation to the work of the Kent, Sussex & Surrey Air Ambulance, whose sterling efforts, hand-in-hand with the emergency services, make a vital difference. **Donations can be placed in the 'helicopter money box' on the table at the front of church! Thank you.**

COMMUNAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD

*all proceeds will go to the work of
Catching Lives in Canterbury*

All are invited to sign the Church Communal Christmas Card, which can be found on a table in the Lady Chapel, in exchange for a donation to assist the work of Catching Lives (working for the homeless in Canterbury) and in place of exchanging Christmas cards with one another.

Thank you also for helping to save the planet!

**CHRISTMAS IN HERNE ST MARTIN'S &
ST PETER'S GREENHILL**

**NATIVITY IN HERNE ST MARTIN'S
ON CHRISTMAS EVE**

For our Nativity some extra helpers to assist with costumes on the day would be much appreciated. If you can assist, please come along to church at 2.30 pm (for 3.00 pm Service).

Thank you.

NEXT WEEK:

4th Sunday of Advent

December 23rd 2018

8.00 am Holy Communion *(Order 2)*

10.00 am Holy Communion
with Children's Groups and Crèche

KCC Community Warden:

Mandy Quy-Verlander can be contacted on 07969 584180, in case of need.

NOTICES for this sheet

..... if you have any items that you would like included in this notice sheet please e-mail or drop a note to Revd Carol by Tuesday evening at the latest.
Thank you.

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