

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 23rd 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:

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00 am Holy Communion
(Order 2)

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

** See inside for
Christmas Services
and timings **

COLLECT

God our redeemer,
who prepared
the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his
coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again
as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
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

Heavenly Father,
who chose the
Blessed Virgin Mary to be
the mother of the
promised saviour:
fill us your servants
with your grace,
that in all things we may
embrace your holy will
and with her rejoice in your
salvation; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THIS WEEK

Mon Dec 24 th CHRISTMAS EVE	3.00 pm Nativity in St Martin's 4.30 pm Carols, Crib & Christingle in St Peter's, Greenhill 11.30 pm Midnight Mass in St Martin's
Tues Dec 25 th CHRISTMAS DAY	8.00 am Holy Communion (<i>Order 2</i>) 10.00 am Family Communion in St Martin's
Wed Dec 26 th	<i>Bank Holiday – No Services</i>
Thurs Dec 27 th	<i>No Choir Practice</i>
Fri Dec 28 th	<i>- Little Fishes are on their Christmas holiday -</i>

Hymns at 10.00 am

Opening: (400) Long ago, prophets knew

Gradual: (166) For Mary, mother of our Lord

Offertory: (408) Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

Closing: (612) Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Church Flowers

Liz Sellen and the Flower Team would like to say THANK YOU to all who were able to offer donations for the Christmas Flowers.

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.**

TODAY (Dec 23rd) IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO SIGN OUR COMMUNAL CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD !

All may 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:

1st Sunday of Christmas

December 30th 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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