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9.00am - 12 noon

Wednesday :

7.00pm - 8.00pm

(by appointment only)

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Duties for Sunday 4 December 2016

Reader	Gill Walcot
Intercession	Dave Fortune
Sides people	Sharon T plus one
Teas	Edna B & Rosemary H
Flowers	Denise P

If you need to change your duty please swap with someone else on the rota.
Readers & Intercessors please let Rev Chris Elms know of the swap you
have made. Tel: 515 438 or chriselms1@gmail.com.



Welcome!

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27 November 2016

Holy Communion
Advent 1

Theme:
Live like he will return today

Readings:
Isaiah 2:1-5
& Matthew 24:36-44

Led by
Rev Chris Elms

Please stay for refreshments after the Service

St Mark's is a Fairtrade Church

Mission Statement

A Community centred on the living Jesus; growing, serving and
reaching out in His name.

A simple prayer in troubled times

God of love,
turn our hearts to your ways;
and give us peace.
Amen.

For other topical prayers, visit the Church of England website and head for the 'Prayer & Worship' tab, looking for 'prayers for the world'.



Christmas is coming

Aim: to understand why we celebrate Christmas

JAM news

Dates for your diaries:

Sunday 18th December - Don't forget our All Age Nativity Service. Come and celebrate with the children at St Mark's.

Saturday 21st January 2017 - Children's Festival @ Wells Cathedral. 10:30-3pm, circus skills, worship, craft and much more.

Please speak to Ally or Chris if you are interested in going.

Shoe Box Appeal – Together we filled around 45 shoe boxes! This will bring a smile and some happiness to many children, and they will also hear about our amazing Jesus at the same time. For videos of children receiving shoeboxes, search online for **Operation Christmas child videos**.

Polite request to parents - you know that we love kids here at St Marks! But please can we ask that you keep an eye on your children after the services? Sometimes they are getting a bit giddy and either leaving the back rooms in a mess, or even causing some minor damage. Thank you! Revd Chris

Weston town centre regeneration consultation

A 6 week consultation is taking place on the proposals, from 31 Oct to 12 Dec. The consultation is a great opportunity for local people to have their say on the plans and to keep informed. For more info follow this link:

www.n-somerset.gov.uk/wtccconsultation

Invite a friend this Christmas!

Are you still praying for those five friends using the prayer strap? Please pray about inviting them to one of our lovely Advent services during December. Maybe you have a neighbour or work colleague who might be interested. People always like a personal invitation, even if they don't want to come along.

What's happening this week:

Wednesday:

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark's (First Wednesday of the month at Mead Vale at 10am)
8.00pm Home Group – Colin & Colleen Guichard
Home Group – Larissa & Robert Trust's house on Nov 30

Thursday:

10.00am Holy Communion at St Martin's

Sunday:

10.30am All Age Service of the Word

If you are visiting for the first time.....

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us this morning. We will be remembering what Jesus did for us on the cross with the bread and wine. If you are a Christian and would normally take communion you are welcome to join us.

If you would like to receive a prayer of blessing instead, please come to the front with the yellow booklet as a sign that you wish to be prayed for.

Giving Review 2017- Final collection of responses today

Thank you to those who have responded so far. If you are planning to respond this morning, please can you put your signature, postcode and date on the envelope if you use Gift Aid? It will help with the administration.

Everything is confidential so please do not put any specifics or amounts on the outside of the envelope. Envelopes can be given during the collection in today's service and also next Sunday. Many thanks.

Parish Treasurer - Having become the Chair of Governors for St Martin's School and now working away from home quite frequently, Mark Preddy, our Parish Treasurer, is having to stand down from this role at the end of the year. Mark has faithfully served God in this capacity for many years for which we are truly grateful. The job of Parish Treasurer has recently become much simpler since our book keeping and payroll has been outsourced. **We are looking for someone willing to take over this important role from Mark.** The work of Parish Treasurer is supported by the individual church treasurers, others in the parish and the Diocese. A willing heart and some ability with figures would be necessary. Please pray to see if God is calling you to take on this vital ministry in the parish.

Juan Navia – We have received a letter from Juan, whom we sponsor through Compassion UK. Juan is 16 years old and lives in Bolivia with his family. You can read his letter on the Sunday table. Why not write back to him? See Revd Chris for our website password if you want to learn more about Juan's life in Bolivia, and how we support him.