

**St Martin's
Low Marple**

Notices and Prayers - October 2023

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Services

Sunday 1st *Harvest Festival*

10 am - Parish Mass + *junior church*

6:30 pm - Choral Evensong

Sunday 8th

10 am - Parish Mass + *junior church*

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 15th

10 am - Family Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 22nd

10 am - Parish Mass

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Sunday 29th *Bible Sunday*

8 am - Holy Communion

10 am - Parish Mass *with prayers*

for wholeness & healing

5:30 pm - Zoom Evening Prayer

Every Thursday and Friday:

Morning Prayer at 9:30 am,

at St Thomas', High Lane

All Welcome

Dates for your diary

October

Sunday 1st - Fairtrade stall after the parish mass

Wednesday 4th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Wednesday 11th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Saturday 14th - Monthly walk (meet at 9:30 am at All Saints'

Church - talk to Sylvia for more information)

Wednesday 18th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Wednesday 18th - Mothers Union meeting, 2pm, in the hall

Thursday 19th—Deanery Synod meeting, 7:15 for 7:30 pm,

at St Martin's

Saturday 21st - Churchyard tidyup, 10 am - 12 noon

Saturday 21st - 'New Wine...Old Win skins' Heritage Trust lecture

2:30 - 4 pm, *hall*

Wednesday 25th - Board Games & Coffee Morning, 10-12. *hall*

Saturday 28th — Big Church Clean, 10 am - 1 pm

Notices

The next Big Clean of church will be on 28th October.

The Heritage Trust presents "New Wine Old wine Skins" - how the church adapts it's old buildings to new liturgical needs. A lecture by Nicholas Rank, recently retired as architect responsible for St.Martin's and many other churches. Saturday 21 October 2023, 2.30-4.00 with tea, in the Church Hall. No entrance fee, but donations welcomed. Please book so that we can provide enough tea. Ann Sayer, 07821 272 242, richeldis24@gmail.com.

Our parish mass time will change to 11:15 from 5th November!

A space for notes

Let us give thanks

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

(cf. Gal 5.22-23)

Prayer list

In our prayers please remember the sick who have asked for our prayers:

Ruby	Michael
Andrew	Kathleen & Arthur
David	Clare
Gary	Steph
Freddie & Jasmine	Hillary
Madeleine	Gordon
Peter	Reg
Jude	Elaine
Roger	

Please pray:

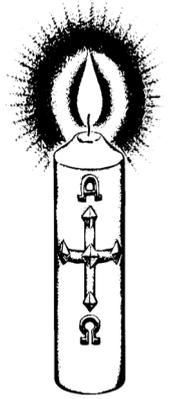
For Nick and Victoria, as they are married.

For all who grieve, and for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

For everyone here at St Martin's and at St Paul's, Compstall, as we prepare to have a closer relationship.

For the new Director of Ordinands, soon to be announced, as they prepare for their new role. For the discernment of the right candidate to be the new archdeacon of Macclesfield. For the current members of the team at Church House.

For all who are involved with harvests, and food distribution. For the effects of the grain stuck in Ukraine. For all who will not have enough food to eat this month.



St Martin's, and St Paul's, Compstall

It was announced in both churches recently that, after much prayer and discussion in both churches, Timothy will soon be licensed as vicar at St Paul's (also staying as vicar at St Martin's!). There has been increasing excitement about the opportunities and possibilities that working together – while maintaining the individual worship tradition of each church – could bring (from effortlessly increasing the number of social events available to everybody at both churches, to giving more options and scope for mission and outreach, to the future possibility, once Fr Timothy does one day move on, to advertise for a full-time vicar, thereby increasing the number of applicants)

Timothy, obviously, can't be in different places at the same time(!) All the options for solving this problem were discussed, and only one seemed to be a good, practicable solution. So, from the beginning of November, service times will be changing (by the same amount) at each church. At St Paul's, the services will be at 9:30. Here at St Martin's, our 10 am service will become an 11:15 service (the monthly 8 am service will continue unaffected).

A prayer as we prepare for this change, and the exciting possibilities that lie ahead:

O Lord God, you call all things back to yourself, through Jesus Christ, the king of all. Be with each one of us, at St Martin's and at St Paul's, on our journey through life, that however wandering, all our paths may be directed towards you, and grant us faithful friends and wise counsellors to guide us as fellow pilgrims on the journey that leads us home, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.