

## **Notices:**

**SEWING GROUP:** The Sewing Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday or each month in the North Aisle – more info from Patricia

**PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS PRAYER GROUP:** Wednesdays at 2.30pm in the Addison Room. Please ask Pat for more info. Tel. 07814 316177.

**REVISION OF ELECTORAL ROLL: -will take place over the next three weeks.** If you would like to add your name to our Church Electoral Roll please complete one of the forms available in the North Aisle (on the stand) and return it to the Office. Thank you.

**Annual Meeting:** Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.00pm** in church.

**CRAFT FELLOWSHIP:** Fourth Thursday of each month in the Harrison Room 2pm – 4pm. A chance to start or finish a project. Enjoy a chat and a cuppa! To be run by Sandra Britton. There will be various craft items available to use should you not have anything of your own to bring. This is very much a fellowship open to all and any ideas would be gratefully received.

**KENDAL BIG BAND:** Concert at St. Mary's on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February** 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm) Tickets £8 available from the Parish Office.

**From our Book of Remembrance:** *This week we remember:*

Leslie Wild Janet Miller. Bruce Willison. Brenda Blake. Jean Bucknell .Kenneth Regan. Margaret Gibbons.Zena Kirkby. Vera Perry.

**This week we hold in our prayers:**

- Those who live in Wynlass Park and the Hoo Drive
- The couples attending the Marriage Preparation Day
- Give thanks for the work of Home Carers

### **THROUGH LENT TOGETHER:**

1. **'The Shape of Christian Living'..... Exploring the Sermon on the Mount.** Five Wednesday Evenings at 7.00pm. Please sign on the notice in the North Aisle (to help with producing materials).

2. **Home Communion:** If you would like to host a simple communion service in your home one morning or evening during Lent and invite members of the congregation & neighbours to join in- the Vicar will be happy to arrange something with you. (Tel: 43032)

## **Next Sunday: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

### **Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	(President: Revd. David Wilmot)
11.00am	Sunday Celebration	(President: Revd. David Wilmot)
2.00pm	Wedding Fayre	

## *The Word... ...This Week*

### **Welcome:**

1<sup>st</sup> February 2015

### **Candlemas**

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
11.00am	Sunday Celebration
6.00pm	Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing and wholeness

### **Today's Music:**

Introit	105	Christ whose glory fills the skies
Gradual	379	Lead us Heavenly Father lead us
Offertory	582	Restore O Lord
Communion	299	I am the bread of life
Recessional	359	Jesus shall reign
Today's Organist:		Denis Aldersea

**If you are a visitor to Windermere or this is the first time you have worshipped with us, do make yourself known to one of the Sidesmen. We hope you will find this worship helpful and enjoyable and that you will join us again. You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee etc, after the 11.00am Service.**



Gluten Free Wafers are available – please see Wardens & Sidesmen if this would be helpful.

#### ***Our Purpose:***

We are here to help everyone to know and grow in the love of God through prayer, worship, teaching and service.

#### ***Our Vision:***

A thriving, growing Christian community.

**[www.stmaryswindermere.co.uk](http://www.stmaryswindermere.co.uk)**

**[www.christianity.org.uk](http://www.christianity.org.uk)**

**If you require the assistance of the Loop System  
please set your hearing Aid to the `T` setting**

## The First Reading

Malachi 2.17-3.5 p60

*A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi*

*Malachi is a book of prophecy directed to the priests in the Temple. Priests have replaced kings as those closest to God on earth, but the priesthood is corrupt. The prophet speaks in God's name.*

You have wearied the Lord with your words. Yet you say, 'How have we wearied him?' By saying, 'All who do evil are good in the sight of the Lord, and he delights in them.' Or by asking, 'Where is the God of justice?' See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

## The Gospel Reading

Luke 2:22-40 p63

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke*

*Jesus has been circumcised, as required by Jewish law. Now, some forty days after Jesus' birth, Mary brings him along, as she comes to the Temple to be purified after childbirth by a priest.*

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into

the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

## **This Week:** Enquiries: (Tel: 44596)

**The Parish Office** is open Monday to Thursday 9.00am-3.30pm

E: [office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk](mailto:office@stmaryswindermere.co.uk)

**VICAR'S BLOG:** [davidmwilmot.wordpress.com/](http://davidmwilmot.wordpress.com/)

**MORNING PRAYER:** This week will be at 8.00am Monday–Thursday  
A quiet and helpful way to begin the day.

<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	10.00am	A.E. Italian –Upper Room
	4.30pm	Rainbows/Brownies/Guides – Harrison Rm.
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	10.00am	Little Pips
	1.00pm	A.E. Watercolours – Upper Room
	5.30pm	Quiet Space – Addison Room
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	10.00am	Holy Communion (BY EXTENSION) with Coffee Time
	10.00am	A.E. Beginners ICT – Upper Room
	10.45am	'Connect' Coffee and Chat – Harrison Rm
	1.00pm	A.E. ICT Skills – Upper Room
	2.30pm	Persecuted Christians Prayers
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	9.45am	Marriage Preparation Day