



## EVENTS DURING ADVENT

*Monday, December 2*

**Annual Christmas Coffee**  
11 a.m.-4 p.m.

At the home of Beth and Bobby Reeves

*Sponsored by Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's*

*Wednesday, December 4*

**Blue Christmas: A Service of Wholeness  
and Healing**  
5 p.m. - The Island

*Sponsored by The Order of St. Luke*

*Saturday, December 7*

**Advent Quiet Day with St. Martin's Clergy**  
9 a.m.-Noon - The Island

*Saturday, December 14*

**Children's Christmas Party**  
10 a.m. - The Island

*Sponsored by Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's*

**Houston Boychoir Concert**  
4 p.m. - The Church

*Sunday, December 15*

**Family Christmas Celebration**  
10:15 a.m. - The Island

This celebration is in lieu of Sunday School  
for children in K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.



## CHRISTMAS COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you know of someone who is homebound who wants to receive Christmas Communion from one of the Clergy, or if you are homebound yourself and want to receive Christmas Communion, please contact Pastoral Care at 713-985-5817 or [dtisch@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:dtisch@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## Advent Resources

**From St. Martin's Bookstore and Gift Shoppe  
at the Church Reception Desk, The Island**

*"The Advent Wreath Devotional"* in both adult and children's versions by Laura and the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson Jr. are available during the Advent season.  
Children's Devotional: \$5 | Adult Devotional: \$7

*"Preparing Room,"* a book of Advent meditations by our Rector, the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson Jr., is a collection of scriptures, meditations and prayers that are key to telling the Christmas Story as it centers on Jesus. \$16

## Music for the Holidays



The "Christmas" album of holiday songs by the Altar Band features many family favorites, including "The First Noel," "What Child is This?" and "Silent Night." \$10



"Amazing Grace," the Altar Band's recently released second album, features 10 songs including "It is Well," "Come Thou Fount," and "Jesus Paid it All." \$10

## THE SEASONS OF Advent, Christmas and Epiphany

AT ST. MARTIN'S  
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...2019...



*For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given...*  
*Isaiah 9:6*



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# WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

## Sunday, December 1

### First Sunday of Advent

8 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. – Worship services  
The Church – Holy Eucharist

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* contemporary worship for families  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

## Sunday, December 8

### The Second Sunday of Advent

8 a.m. and 6 p.m. – The Church – Holy Eucharist

9 a.m. – The Church – Morning Prayer

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* contemporary worship for families  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

### A Festival of Lessons and Carols

11:15 a.m. – The Church – No Holy Eucharist



## Sunday, December 15

### The Third Sunday of Advent

8, 9, 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. – Worship Services  
The Church – Holy Eucharist

### Choristers and Youth Choir Christmas Concert

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* – Bagby Parish Hall

### A Festival of Lessons and Carols

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall

## Sunday, December 22

### The Fourth Sunday of Advent

8 a.m. and 6 p.m. – Holy Eucharist  
9 a.m. – Morning Prayer  
The Church

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* contemporary worship for families  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist



## Tuesday, December 24

### Christmas Eve

1 p.m. – Family Service  
The Church – No Eucharist

5, 5:50, 8 and 10:50 p.m. – Worship Service  
The Church – Holy Eucharist

The Parish Choir, *Gloria Dei* Organ, brass and tympani  
provide the perfect setting for the celebration of our  
Lord's birth.

### SEATING

Seating is more readily available during the 8 p.m. and  
10:50 p.m. services. If balcony seating or parking a distance  
from the Church causes difficulties for you or your family, please  
consider attending one of these services later in the evening.

### PARKING

Overflow parking for all services will be available at the parking  
garage east of the Hope and Healing Center & Institute on  
Riverway. For those who need assistance, golf carts will pick  
up pedestrians from this parking garage, as well as from the  
parking lots on Woodway and near 5005 Woodway.

## Sunday, December 29

### First Sunday after Christmas Day

8, 9, 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. – Worship Services  
The Church – Holy Eucharist

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* contemporary worship for families  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist



## Wednesday, December 25

### Christmas Day: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

11 a.m. – Worship service  
The Church – Holy Eucharist  
Parish Choir and *Gloria Dei* Organ



## Sunday, January 12

### The Baptism of Our Lord

8, 9, and 11:15 a.m. – Worship Services  
The Church – Holy Eucharist

9:15 a.m. – *Family Table* contemporary worship for families  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

11:15 a.m. – The Altar contemporary worship for all ages  
Bagby Parish Hall – Holy Eucharist

### Feast of Lights

6 p.m. – Holy Eucharist  
The Church

This beautiful candlelight service takes the light of Christ  
into the world literally with our actions and symbolically  
through candles.

CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE FOR  
INFANTS – PRE-K DURING ALL SERVICES,  
EXCEPT SUNDAY 6 P.M.