

Diary for week commencing 2nd August 2026

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Said Communion
10.00am All Age Service – *Summer Holiday Theme!*
- 6.00pm Service of Prayer and Reflection

Monday

Tuesday 2.00pm Social House Group in Church

Wednesday

Thursday 10.00am Mid-week Holy Communion
10.45am Community Cake and Coffee
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday

Saturday

Sunday 9th August The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Said Communion
10.00am Sung Communion

Refreshment Rota; Shiela Judson and Carol Savill



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A warm welcome
to St Martin's
Parish Church

Sunday 2nd August 2026 The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Communion
Readings: Genesis 32.22-31
Romans 9.1-5
Matthew 14.13-21

10.00am All Age Service – with a Summer Holiday Theme!

*Please have some refreshments as you arrive
Do sit at one of the tables if you would like to, and
consider the questions on the piece of paper. You
may like to make a fish with some of the craft
materials provided*

Hymns: Wide, Wide, as the Ocean
My God is so Big
Jesus is Lord *Collection will be
taken during this hymn*

Refreshment Rota: Ann Butt and Joy Kenward

6.00pm Service of Prayer and Reflection

Everyone is Invited  **Everyone is Welcome**
Journeying together in the love of Jesus

Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for...

Those who are caught up in conflict, war, acts of terrorism, agencies that are providing food and medical resources to the regions and those seeking peace.
For Bishops Michael and Fiona and the senior staff of the diocese
The natural world and those who are affected by Climate Change, natural disasters and forest fires

For the work of Hope Christian Trust and Weston Foodbank, and for the communities in Zambia linked to the Diocese and for Sergio and the work of Compassion UK and Christian Aid

For all people who are persecuted for their faith, gender and sexuality
Young People awaiting their exam results

All who are ill, and mourn

Readings

Genesis 32.22-31

Jacob sends his family and everything he has across the stream of Jabbok. During the night a man wrestles with him, putting Jacob's hip out of joint. Jacob insists that the man should bless him, and in doing so the man gives him the name Israel because Jacob had striven with God and humans.

Romans 9.1-5

Paul tells the Christians in Rome that he speaks the truth in Christ by the working of the Holy Spirit. It is to the Israelites that God made covenants and promises, and from amongst whom the Messiah has come.

Matthew 14.13-21

Jesus feeds the 5000 with just five loaves and two fish. After all have eaten, twelve baskets full of left overs are collected up.

Parish Sunday Lunch - The next Parish Sunday Lunch will be on **Sunday 30th August** at the Woolpack Deli at 12.00noon. All Welcome. Please use the sign up sheet on the Communication Table, by **Sunday 23rd August**.

Women's Fellowship

The next Woman's Fellowship will be on **Saturday 8th August** with Breakfast in Church at **10am**. Please sign list on Communications Table if you would like to attend.

Men's Fellowship:

The next Men's Fellowship will be on **Thursday 20th August** at **7.30pm**, which will be a Race Night at the Lamb. Please see the poster and sign up sheet on the Communications Table for more details.

House Group in Church

The next House Group in Church will be on 4th August at 2pm which will be a Social Gathering. There will be Social Gatherings throughout August on Tuesday afternoons. Details of the Autumn House Groups starting in September to follow.

Food Bank

There are boxes in Church for any donations. Items particularly requested this week are: Honey and jam, tinned tomatoes, long life milk, fruit juice, tinned meat and Shampoo and deodorant.

Jesus Christ Superstar – Friday 30th October at Weston Playhouse

Please sign up and bring the money for the trip to see **Jesus Christ Superstar** by Today – Sunday 2nd August

Church Road – Road Closures

Please note that there are due to be Road Closures along Church Road in the week ahead.

Mary's Meals

Dan McNally will be joining us for worship on Sunday 16th August, to talk to us about the work of Mary's Meals, and to receive our lent donation to the Charity. Do please ensure you can attend and find out more about this Charity that we are supporting as a Parish.

Books to borrow in Church

The church bookshelf has books that anyone may borrow, with donations for each loan going to Sergio. This is a great way of exchanging good books and raising a little extra money for a good cause.

However, the bookshelf choices are currently very limited and it would be great to be able to offer a wider range of titles that appeal to the whole congregation. If you have any books that you think are interesting that others might like to read that you could donate to the shelf, please do bring them in, and of course you will benefit from being able to borrow too.

It would be particularly good to receive donations of any Christian books to add to the shelf."