

Church Matters



The growing Benefice of All Saints' Martock, Holy Trinity Ash,
St Martin's Kingsbury Episcopi and St Peter & St Paul Muchelney

All Saints' Martock registered charity no: 1160333
Holy Trinity Ash & St Martin's Kingsbury Episcopi have charitable status

Sunday 10th August 2025

Trinity 8

St Martin's
Kingsbury Episcopi
10am Holy Communion
with Revd Richard Caddell



All Saints'
Martock
4pm Pet Blessing
with Revd Paul Fillery



Collect :

Lord God,
your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake:
when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from
despair, that we may trust in you
alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post-Communion Prayer :

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your
word be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung
your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the
tokens of your love shine with the
light of hope; and may the bodies
which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your
life; glory to you for ever.

Amen

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We remember those who are sick including Julia Jackson, Richard Scrivener,
Geoff Lucas, Vivienne Brissett, Mavis Hook, Barbara Moore

We remember those who have died including John Groves, John Williams

In Memoriam: Marian Bagnall, Graham Ledger, Alice Ledger, Jacqui Dunton,
Joan Sharman

BIBLE READINGS for Sunday 10 August 2025

New Testament – Hebrews 11 verses 1 to 3 + verses 8 to 16 :

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel – Luke 12 verses 32 to 40 :

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵ ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ ‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

NEXT SUNDAY – 17th August 2025: Trinity 10

9.30am Holy Communion at All Saints', Martock

4pm **Family Fun Time** in the Church Rooms, Kingsbury Episcopi



To allow some members of our Ministry Team to rest, there will be no services of Morning Prayer or Morning Worship in the month of August.

NOTICES

STOMPERS – the outdoor activity morning for children will be holding more sessions in the summer holidays on Thursday 14th August & 28th August beginning at 10.30am in the church porch of All Saints' church, Martock. More info on facebook: Stompers Martock.

80th Anniversary of VJ Day – a short ceremony will be held on Friday 15 August 2025 to start at 10.50am around the Martock War Memorial in All Saints' churchyard to commemorate Victory in Japan 80 years ago.

Still Waters; our monthly quiet service will be held next on Sunday 24 August 2025 at 6.30pm in All Saints' church, Martock.

Bank Holiday Monday 25 August – as usual Muchelney church will be offering Garden Teas in the delightful garden of The White House in Muchelney and will be playing the rare barrel organ in the church between 3pm and 5pm. All welcome – off road parking at The Abbey.

Flower, Produce & Craft Show on Saturday 30 August in St Martin's church, Kingsbury Episcopi, entries to be submitted from 9am, judging at 11am, open to public from 2.30pm to 4pm. Entry £1, refreshments available. More info & Schedule of Classes from Michele Bradley on 01935 825 463.

New Steps for Holy Trinity church, Ash – the elegant and safe new steps to the tower in Ash will be officially dedicated on **Sunday 31 August at 10.30am!**

Sunday 31 August – on the 5th Sunday in August, we will be holding a Benefice Service of Healing and Holy Communion at 11am in Holy Trinity church, Ash. All welcome! Teas will be served in the Village Hall afterwards.

Quiz and Supper Night at All Saints' on Wednesday 3rd September at 6.30pm. To book your team of up to 6 people (£10 each), or to be part of a team, please get in touch with Sally (01935 824238). In aid of church funds.

Next Week

Tue	12 th	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in All Saints', Martock
Wed	13 th	10.00am	Coffee 'n Chat in the Pavillion, Ash
		7.00pm	Martock PCC meet in All Saints', Martock
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Thu	14 th	10.30am	Stompers meet in the church porch of All Saints', Martock
Fri	15 th	10.50am	VJ Day Commemoration at the Martock Memorial
		7.00pm	Leadership Meeting at The Vicarage, Martock

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