

# Church Matters



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

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**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025**

**Trinity 7**

**All Saints'**  
Martock

**9.30am Holy Communion**  
with Revd Ben Rundell-Evans

SIDESMEN: Pete & Jen Symonds  
READERS: Martin Bradbrooke & Jane Hodgson  
INTERCESSOR: Iris Chapple  
**HYMNS: 584, 595, 921, 739**

**St Peter & St Paul**  
Muchelney

**11am Holy Communion**  
with Revd Paul Fillery

## **Collect :**

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard  
seed, make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

## **Post-Communion Prayer :**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine  
and the source of life, ever giving  
himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves  
the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup,  
we may share his glory and be made  
perfect in his love; for he is alive and  
reigns, now and 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 Doreen Stacey, Jeremy  
Bradbrooke

**In Memoriam:** Rebecca Brittain, Audrey Wells, Frederick Bailey, Selina Handcock

## BIBLE READINGS for Sunday 3 August 2025

### New Testament – Colossians 3 verses 1 to 11 :

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

### Gospel – Luke 12 verses 13 to 21 :

Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” <sup>18</sup> Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

### NEXT SUNDAY – 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025: Trinity 9

10am Holy Communion at St Martin’s, Kingsbury Episcopi

4pm Pet Blessing Service in All Saints’, Martock

*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 14<sup>th</sup> August & 28<sup>th</sup> August beginning at 10.30am in the church porch of All Saints' church, Martock. More info on facebook: Stompers Martock.

**Pet Blessing Service** – you are invited to a service in which every member of the family is included NEXT SUNDAY 10 August 2025 at 4pm in All Saints' church, Martock. Please bring a pet but all must fit through the church doors!!

**80<sup>th</sup> 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. All welcome.

**New Steps for Holy Trinity church, Ash** – the elegant and safe new steps to the tower in Ash will be officially dedicated on Saturday 16 August at 3pm, followed by Tea in The Bell PH. All welcome!!

**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.

**Tiddlers** - As another academic year ends, Hannah thanks all the volunteers for their time and commitment each Thursday morning. Your contribution is really appreciated! This half term the Tiddlers have been exploring the Creation Story; you may have seen Day 1 displayed in All Saints' Church? We have also been playing with water, decorating suns, making birds, wild flower art, and decorating gingerbread men. Please continue to pray for Tiddlers and those who attend each week.



**PET Blessing SERVICE**

All God's Creatures Welcome

Come and take part in a service in which every member of the family is included!

In our time together we will give thanks for our pets, ask God to bless both them and us as we seek to love and care for our wonderful furry, feathered, or scaly friends!

**Sunday 10 August 2025**  
All Saints' Church, Martock  
**4pm**

Animals attending will need to fit through the doors of the church!

The poster features silhouettes of a cat, a chicken, a turtle, a dog, a rabbit, and a lizard. The text is in orange and black, with a grey banner for the welcome message.

### Next Week

Tue 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Church cleaning in All Saints', Martock
	2.00pm	The Mothers' Union meet in All Saints', Martock
	2.00pm	Burial of ashes for John Groves in Muchelney churchyard
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in All Saints', Martock
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Coffee 'n Chat in the Pavillion, Ash
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Meditation Group in Church Rooms, Kingsbury Episcopi

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**Tiddlers** – for toddlers with their mums, dads or carers in Martock in TERM TIME

All enquiries to [tiddlers.martock@gmail.com](mailto:tiddlers.martock@gmail.com)

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