Church Matters









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Sunday 5th October 2025

Trinity 16

All Saints'

Martock

9.30am Holy Communion

with Revd Ben Rundell-Evans

SIDESMEN: Diana Healey

READERS: Jane Hodgson & Martin Bradbrooke

INTERCESSOR: Martin Bradbrooke

HYMNS: 765, 629, 494, 488

Holy Trinity

Ash

11am HARVEST THANKSGIVING

with Bridget Jones

READERS: Pat Brock & Sally Langdon





St Peter & St Paul, Muchelney

11am HARVEST THANKSGIVING with Holy Communion

with Revd Richard Caddell

The Collect:

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer:

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, Tracey Fillery, Ann Ody

We remember those who have died including Eddie Ansell

In Memoriam: May Swain, Margaret Moodie, Gerald Chant, Gwendoline Brooks, Alan Flynn, Roy Maber, Bernard Ledger, William Dobbs, Jackie Vincent, John Harris, **Ernest Ashley**

BIBLE READINGS for Sunday 5 October 2025 in All Saints' Church

New Testament – 2 Timothy 1 verses 1 to 14:

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

- 2 To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- <u>3</u> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.
- 4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.
- 5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.
- 6 For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands;
- 7 for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.
- 8 Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God,
- 9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
- <u>10</u> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.
- 11 For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher,
- <u>12</u> and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him.
- 13 Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.
- 14 Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Gospel – Luke 17 verses 5 to 10:

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"

- 6 The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.
- 7 "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table'?
- 8 Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'?
- 9 Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded?
- 10 So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

NOTICES

Harvest @ All Saints' – please note that Harvest Thanksgiving will be held at **11am** on Sunday 12 October so that lunch can follow immediately afterwards! Please sign the list at the back of the church if you would like some lunch and if you can provide some food. More info from Sally on 824238.

Jane Cockerham also asks for donations of any autumn-coloured foliage or flowers from your gardens. Buckets of water will be under the tower from Friday 10 Oct for donations or phone her on 824 233 if you need help.

NEW Memory Café – a taster session for those with dementia and their carers will be held on Tuesday 14 October, 10am to 11.30am in All Saints' church for tea, coffee and chat, with monthly meetings to begin early in 2026. Please let Bridget know on 508688 if you would like to help this month.

Stompers – the outdoor activity for children in the school holidays will next take place on Thursday 30 October starting at 10.30am in the church porch of All Saints'. No charge, no pre-booking needed but do wear weather appropriate clothing!!

Festival for All Souls'; the annual service when we remember loved ones will take place this year on Sunday 2 November at 4pm in All Saints', Martock.

Volunteers for All Saints' church – all our churches rely on many wonderful volunteers! All Saints' church is looking for new people to help at the Sunday morning services as sidesmen, as someone to welcome people and to operate the sound system (it's not difficult & there are instructions!). Please speak to Sally (01935 824 238) or Bridget (01935 508 688) if you are interested....

"What a Wonderful World"; a photographic exhibition – thank you to all who exhibited and who supported the event. It was a great success with over 300 people visiting over the 3 days and our refreshments raised £475 for church funds! Special thanks to Colin Lawrence for his hard work and enthusiasm in making it all come together.

Dementia Friendly Community Information Session on Wed 8 October, 6-7pm in the back room of Martock Christian Fellowship to support a greater awareness and understanding of dementia. Everyone welcome. Any queries to caroline.bennett@martock-pc.gov.uk

A letter from Alfie: Hello to you all and a very warm welcome from Wells Cathedral! This is now the end of my 4th week, and I have been a very busy indeed! By the time you're reading this, I would have already led services of Morning Liturgy and Choral Evensong as well as becoming well established in the day-to-day worship pattern of the cathedral. I have met and worked with all members of the cathedral Chapter which has been most helpful when considering the possibility of ordination in the future. Alongside the 'practical' side of my work, I have also been studying at Trinity college in Bristol on Tuesday evenings, which will be such a blessing as it allows me to receive a formal theological education. It's lovely to be able to share with you all that God has been doing in my life over this past month. I have been praying for you all and would appreciate you to keep praying for me. From your friend Alfie

NEXT SUNDAY – 12th October 2025: Trinity 17

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

11am Harvest Thanksgiving in All Saints', Martock

with guest speaker from Christians Against Poverty, followed by Harvest Lunch



Next Week

Tue	7 th	9.30am	Church cleaning in All Saints', Martock
		2.00pm	The Mothers' Union meet in All Saints', Martock
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in All Saints', Martock
Wed	8 th	10.00am	Coffee 'n Chat in the Pavillion, Ash
		10.30am	St Martin's PCC meeting in the Church Rooms
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Thu	9 th	10.00am	Tiddlers; toddler group in All Saints', Martock
		2.00pm	Funeral Service for Eddie Ansell in All Saints', Martock
		7.00pm	Community Choir practice in All Saints', Martock
Fri	10 th	all day	buckets under All Saints' tower for harvest floral donations
		2.30pm	Harvest Service for Ash School in Holy Trinity, Ash
Sat	11^{th}	all day	buckets under All Saints' tower for harvest floral donations

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

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