

# 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 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**



**Easter 3**

**All Saints'**  
Martock

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

SIDESMEN: Ivan Childs & Sue Hewitt

READERS: Sue Hewitt & Ivan Childs

INTERCESSOR: Ann Hall

**HYMNS: 769, 709, 667, 218**

**The Church Rooms**  
Kingsbury Episcopi



**4pm Family Fun Time!**

## **The Collect :**

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness  
and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen  
life and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
**Amen.**

## **Post Communion Prayer :**

Living God,  
your Son made himself known to his  
disciples in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his  
redeeming work; who is alive and  
reigns, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**We remember those who are sick** including Richard Scrivener, Vivienne Brissett, Mavis Hook, Tracey Fillery, Ken Witcombe, Keith Snelgrove, David Marshall

**We remember those who have died** including Heather Craig, John Beckey

**In Memoriam:** Dorothy Clements, Ronald Draper, Jim Farmiloe, Edna Rugg, Kathleen Ratsey, David Cobden, Kathleen Ledger, Stanley James, Hilda Draper, Carol Smith

**New Testament – Acts 2 verse 14a + verses 36 to 41 :**

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah this Jesus whom you crucified.'

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' <sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

**Gospel – Luke 24 verses 13 to 35 :**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' <sup>19</sup> He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses

and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## NOTICES

**'Explore the Book' Holiday Club** - Exciting News! We are hoping to host two sessions of the Bible Society 'Explore the Book' Holiday Club on Thursday 30 July and Thursday 13 August in All Saints' Church. Each session will last from 10am to 12noon. The Open the Book Team will present a Bible story at each session. All children must bring a grown up!

Help is needed with setting up, refreshments, activities, craft, ensuring that the adults accompanying their children are welcomed and clearing away. Please let Sally Howells (01935 824238) or Bridget Jones (01935 508688) know if you are interested in helping.

**Ascension Day – Thursday 14 May 2026** : we will be celebrating Ascension Day with a quiet, reflective service in the church of St Peter & St Paul in Muchelney at 2pm. All welcome!

**An update from ALFIE** : He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Happy Easter you to all from Wells! It's been a VERY busy Holy week in the Cathedral, in between watches, prayers and vigils, you really do get swept up into the beauty and pain of Jesus' passion. My time at Wells is now slowly coming to a close, and I want to thank you all for your continuing support. You have all been in my prayers and I know I have been in yours. I look forward to seeing you all before long, from your friend, Alfie

## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS 2026

MARTOCK - 11am Sunday 26 April in All Saints', Martock

ASH - to be arranged...

KE - 7pm Thursday 30 April in St Martin's, KE

MUCHELNEY - 12.30pm Sunday 3 May in St Peter & St Paul, Muchelney

As our Church Annual Meetings approach, please consider joining your PCC to help guide the life of our churches. Nomination forms will be available at the back of the churches. Each church also needs new reps for the Deanery Synod; a good way to understand and see how our churches work together beyond our little benefice.

**Electoral Rolls** – If you would like to join your church electoral roll, please contact the relevant ER officer – Annie Swain on 01935 509 741, Sue Stevens on 07719 678570, Dave Wakely on 01935 509 733, Mary Mullineux on 01458 251057.

## Next Week

Tue	21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in All Saints', Martock
Wed	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am	Coffee 'n Chat in the Pavillion, Ash
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Thu	23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am	Tiddlers, toddler group in All Saints', Martock
Fri	24 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm	Wedding rehearsal in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Sat	25 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Wedding for Sam Lockey & Lizzie Barlow in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi
Sun	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Martock APCM in All Saints', Martock

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