

# 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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Holy Trinity Ash & St Martin's Kingsbury Episcopi have charitable status

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**



**Easter 5**

## **All Saints'**

Martock

### **9.30am Holy Communion**

with Revd Paul Fillery

SIDESMEN: Diana Healey

READERS: Peggy Redman & Diana Healey

INTERCESSOR: Jane Caddell

**HYMNS: 584, 739, 193, 818**

## **Holy Trinity**

Ash

### **11am Morning Prayer**

with Grace Dunton

READERS: Pat Brock and Sue Stevens

**HYMNS: 19, 99, 297, 695**

## **St Peter & St Paul, MUCHELNEY**

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

immediately followed by APCM at 12.30pm

### **The Collect :**

Risen Christ,  
your wounds declare your love for the  
world and the wonder of your risen life:  
give us compassion and courage  
to risk ourselves for those we serve,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

### **Post Communion Prayer :**

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the  
truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his  
way, to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
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, Yolanda Hansford

**We remember those who have died** including John Beckey, Norma Pond, Jeanne Hall

**In Memoriam:** Mary Young, Dorothy Huckstep, Lily Dobbs, Ruby Black, Arthur Black, Elizabeth Wilson, Blanche Neller, Helen Third, Doreen Rose, George Millard

**New Testament – Acts 7 verses 55 to end :**

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup> 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' <sup>57</sup> But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup> Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup> While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' <sup>60</sup> Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

**Gospel – John 14 verses 1 to 14 :**

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to the place where I am going.' <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

<sup>8</sup> Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

## NOTICES

**Kingsbury May Festival** will take place on Bank Holiday Monday 4 May 2026 from 11am to 5pm with church teas being served in the Church Rooms all day! Everyone welcome. Please note some roads will be closed, parking @ £10 on south side of village & bring cash to help the stallholders!

**'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 Celtic tradition including a shared holy communion in the church of St Peter & St Paul in Muchelney at 2pm. All welcome!

**Family Fun** Time, full of games, stories and refreshments will next be held on Sunday 17 May at 4pm in the Church Rooms in Kingsbury Episcopi. All Welcome!



**Pentecost** – we will be celebrating Pentecost on Sunday 24 May at **10.30am** with a special Service of Holy Communion and Healing in Holy Trinity church, Ash. Please note the earlier time to the usual pattern!

**Trinity Sunday** – a Benefice Service of Holy Communion will be held on Sunday 31 May at 10am in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi. All are welcome! There will be no other services in our benefice on that Sunday.

**Still Waters** – please note that there will be no Still Waters in MAY. Next time of quiet will be Sunday 28 June 2026 at 6.30pm in All Saints', Martock.

## Next Week

### Bank Holiday Monday

4 <sup>th</sup>	11am-5pm	Kingsbury May Festival + church teas in Church Rooms, KE
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Memory Café in All Saints', Martock
	12noon	Funeral for John Beckey at Yeovil Crematorium
	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>	10.00am	Tiddlers, toddler group in All Saints', Martock
	2.00pm	Funeral for Norma Pond in All Saints', Martock
	7.00pm	Community Choir practice in All Saints', Martock
	7.30pm	Meditation in Church Rooms, Kingsbury Episcopi
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm	Funeral for Jeanne Hall in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi

### NEXT SUNDAY – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026 : Easter 6

9.30am Morning Prayer in All Saints', Martock

10.00am Holy Communion in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi

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+ Holy Trinity, Ash <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11007/>

+ St Martin's, KE <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11270/>

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

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## PSALM for Holy Trinity

### Psalm 31 verses 1 to 5 :

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.

<sup>2</sup> Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily.  
Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me.

<sup>3</sup> You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name's sake lead me and guide me,

<sup>4</sup> take me out of the net that is hidden for me,  
for you are my refuge.

<sup>5</sup> Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.