

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 May 2026



Easter 6

All Saints'

Martock

9.30am Morning Prayer

with Sally Howells

SIDESMEN: Michael & Janet Plummer

READERS: Ann Hall & Ann Swain

INTERCESSOR: Bridget Jones

HYMNS: MP 1078, 1, 1217, 428

St Martin's

Kingsbury Episcopi

10am Holy Communion

with Revd Richard Caddell

The Collect :

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed
your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your
love, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer :

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of
eternal life: may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him 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: John Aelberry, William Braddick, Bob Sant, Allen Ball, Beryl Burge, Harold Lewis 'Taff', Norman Young, Hilda Millard, Reginald Ginger, Mike Healey

New Testament – Acts 17 verses 22 to 31 :

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶ From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷ so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

²⁸ For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said, “For we too are his offspring.”

²⁹ Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰ While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹ because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

Gospel – John 14 verses 15 to 21 :

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

NOTICES

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. Parking available at Almonry Barn – nb: Wetmoor Lane, through Muchelney Ham is CLOSED due to road works.

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!

Stompers! The outdoor children's nature activity will next be held on Thursday 28 May starting & ending at All Saints' Church porch, Martock. Free event, all children must bring an adult, wear appropriate clothing! More info from stompers.martock@gmail.com

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.

Christian Response to Eastern Europe - Andrew and Ellen thank all who have been knitting this month. This month's delivery included 21 children's jumpers and 18 snoods, all beautifully knitted and much appreciated by the charity. For anyone getting bored with snoods and jumpers, the soldiers fighting in Ukraine need knitted socks, thick wool please and man sized! Thank you so much again and keep knitting!!!

Next Week

Tue	12 th	9.30am	Church clean at All Saints', Martock
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in All Saints', Martock
Wed	13 th	10.00am	Coffee 'n Chat in the Pavillion, Ash
		5.30pm	Yoga in All Saints', Martock
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice in St Martin's, Kingsbury Episcopi

ASCENSION DAY – Thursday 14th May 2026 :

10.00am	Tiddlers, toddler group in All Saints', Martock
11.00am	APCM for Ash in Holy Trinity, Ash
2.00pm	Ascension Day Service in St Peter & St Paul, Muchelney
7.00pm	Community Choir practice in All Saints', Martock

NEXT SUNDAY – 17th May 2026 : Sunday after Ascension Day

9.30am Holy Communion in All Saints', Martock

4.00pm FAMILY FUN TIME in the Church Rooms, 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/>

+ St Peter & St Paul, Muchelney <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11004/>



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All enquiries to tiddlers.martock@gmail.com

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PSALM for All Saints'

Psalm 66 verses 7 to end :

There we rejoiced in him,

⁷ who rules by his might for ever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

⁸ Bless our God, O peoples,
let the sound of his praise be heard,

⁹ who has kept us among the living,
and has not let our feet slip.

¹⁰ For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.

¹¹ You brought us into the net;
you laid burdens on our backs;

¹² you let people ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;

yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

¹³ I will come into your house with burnt-offerings;
I will pay you my vows,

¹⁴ those that my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

¹⁵ I will offer to you burnt-offerings of fatlings,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for me.

¹⁷ I cried aloud to him,
and he was extolled with my tongue.

¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.

¹⁹ But truly God has listened;
he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

²⁰ Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me.