

Diary for week commencing Sunday 10th August 2025

Sunday 10th August – The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Communion
10.00am Sung Communion

Monday

Tuesday 2.00pm Social Gathering in Church – all welcome

Wednesday

Thursday 10.00am Holy Communion
10.45am Cake and Coffee
Set up Art Exhibition in Church
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 10.00am-4.00pm. Art Exhibition in Church
Refreshments available throughout the day

Saturday 10.00am-4.00pm. Art Exhibition in Church
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Sunday 17th August – The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Communion
10.00am Sung Communion

12.00noon Baptism of Roman

6.00pm Evensong

Refreshment Rota: Margaret Smith and Jan Watkins



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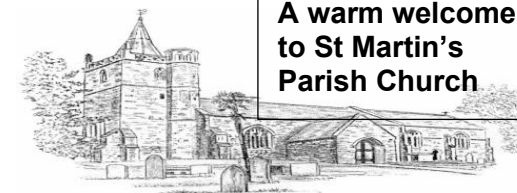
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A warm welcome
to St Martin's
Parish Church

Sunday 10th August 2025
The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Said Communion
Readings: Genesis 15.1-6
Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16
Luke 12.32-40

10.00am Sung Communion
This service will be streamed live on Facebook

Readings: Genesis 15.1-6
Read by Sally Freeman
Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16
Read by Barbara Perkins
Luke 12.32-40

Hymns: Christ is made the sure
foundation
Be Thou my Vision
Immortal Invisible God only wise
Here I am Lord
Lord for the years

Refreshment Rota; Jo Hunt and Carol Savill

Everyone is Invited  **Everyone is Welcome**
Journeying together in the love of Jesus

Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Lord God,
your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake:
when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from despair,
that we may trust in you alone;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;
glory to you for ever. Amen

Please pray for...

Those who are caught up in conflict, war, acts of terrorism.
Those who are affected by Climate Change.
For discernment within the Church of England, for the selection of a new
Archbishop of Canterbury and Bishop of Taunton.
For young people awaiting exam results and those who will be moving to new
institutions of learning in September
Those who are holidaying that they may have a time relaxation and be safe in
their time of travel; and for those for whom the holiday season is a time of
concern.

All those that are ill, who mourn and who are concerned about their futures.

Readings

Genesis 15.1-6

God makes his covenant with Abram. Even though Abram is childless, he is told that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars in the sky. Abram's faith in God is 'credited to him as righteousness'.

Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16

Faith is explained as being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. The writer then uses the story of Abraham to illustrate faith in action.

Luke 12.32-40

Jesus tells the disciples to sell their possessions and give to the poor, so that they can concentrate on the treasures of heaven. They are told to be watchful and ready for the coming of the Son of man, like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet.

Church Sunday Lunch

The next Church Sunday Lunch at the Ebdon Arms will be on Sunday 31st August 2025. Please ensure you have signed the list by the Sunday before, 24th, if you wish to join us. For any queries, please see Yvonne. Comments about our last lunch have been fed back.

Men's Fellowship

The next meeting of the Men's Fellowship will be on Thursday 21st August when we will be meeting up for a BBQ

Women's Fellowship

The next meeting of the Women's Fellowship will be at **10am on Saturday 13th September**. More details to follow.

Tuesday afternoons in August – Social Gatherings at 2pm in Church

Instead of House Groups on Tuesday afternoons we will be hosting an Open Church Social Gathering from 2pm-4pm. Why not pop along and have a chat and share some time and refreshments with one another.

Volunteers Required for Church and Churchyard Maintenance Session – Saturday 6th September

From **9.30am-1pm on Saturday 6th September** we will be doing some maintenance jobs in the Church and the Churchyard. Refreshments and doughnuts will be available to the workers! Please sign up on the list on the Communications Table

Christmas Tree Festival – Knitted Tree

This year we are having a **Red Knitted Tree**,

Instructions for Leaves

Using size 3.75mm/(size 9) needles and double knitting wool in **Bright Red**, cast on 30 stitches and knit in garter stitch until the work measures 12 inches and cast off. If you are able to, you may wish to sew one end of the leaf into a point (don't worry if you can't do this just bring in the flat un-ironed rectangle!)

Once you have knitted your red leaves - simply bring them in to St Martin's and we assemble them together to make "a tree".

Angel Festival 27th and 28th September 2025

Please pick up An Angel Template printed on card in church and take it home and decorate it any way you wish to. I would be most grateful if you could cut the angels out as well and return them to church by **Sunday 14th September**. Please support this event by doing this as this is an activity for the whole congregation to do together to celebrate the 900th Anniversary. Thank You.

Art Exhibition in Church – Friday 15th Aug to Saturday 16th Aug 10am-4pm Entrance Free – Refreshments available

As part of the 900th Anniversary Celebrations we will be hosting an Art Exhibition in Church. All are Welcome – Invite a friend

Food Bank. Reminder there are boxes in Church for any donations, which are urgently required.