

# St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



## Prayer & Mission 2025

**SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS**

### SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

**Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist**  
**10.00am All Together Eucharist**

**Thursday 9.30am Said Eucharist**

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### OPENING HOURS

**CHURCH:** Monday to Friday 10am-3pm

**TEAM OFFICE:** Weekdays (except Wednesday) 10-1pm

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### ZOOM SERVICES THIS WEEK

*(please contact the host to join the mailing list)*

**Morning Prayer Monday to Friday at 8.30am**

*Hosted by Mike Bunclark [mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk)*

**Compline Monday to Friday at 8.30pm**

*Hosted by Mike Bunclark [mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk)*

**Prayers for Peace & Justice on Saturdays at 4pm**

*Hosted by Joan Hazzard [joanhazz@gmail.com](mailto:joanhazz@gmail.com)*



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## NOTICES

### **St Martin's Christmas Cards - orders by tomorrow Mon 29 September**

Last chance to order your cards - order form in an envelope with payment please, to Will Jupe by tomorrow. Collect cards in church from Sun 26 October.

### **Monthly Prayer Meeting - Tuesday 30 September, 1.00pm, Lady Chapel**

Meet from 12.30pm, with a packed lunch. See Joan for details.

### **Weekly Prayer Walk - Tuesday 30 September, 2pm - Bath Road**

Please meet at 102 Bath Road, where car parking is available.

### **Mothers' Union - Wednesday 1 October, 2.30pm, Lower Vestry**

Our speaker will be Garth Williams talking about his round Britain cruise.

### **Light Club - Thursday 2 October, 3.45pm, Lower Vestry**

Our group for Yr 6 and up meets this Thursday. More details from Debra.

### **Forest Church - Sunday 5 October, 3.30pm, Whittington Churchyard**

This month, Forest Church is apple-themed. We will be exploring Harvest by thinking about God's goodness. There'll be apple taste tests, apple art, acorn and conker games and dry apple 'bobbing'! Join us for outdoor worship, activities and refreshments. Contact [revrichwood@gmail.com](mailto:revrichwood@gmail.com) for details.

### **Harvest Craft Event - Saturday 11 October, 2pm, Church - see p9**

All ages are welcome to join us to make harvest decorations for home and Church. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Harvest Festival - Sunday 12 October - see p10**

We shall celebrate **Harvest Festival** at the All Together Eucharist at 10am, and then at Festal Choral Evensong at 6.00pm.

Please bring **Harvest food donations** of tinned and dry foods for Maggs Day Centre, St Paul's Hostel, and the Foodbank. Also, please bring fresh fruit and vegetables for smaller local charities, and St Richard's Hospice.

The service is followed by our **Harvest Produce Sale** for our missionary causes. Donate jams, preserves, pickles & chutney, cakes & buns, and garden vegetables.

Join us after that at 12.15pm for our customary **Harvest Lunch** over at the Parish Centre. Please sign-up on the list at the back of Church: Adults £7.50, children £2.50. Donations of raffle prizes would be appreciated.

### **The Women of Worcester Cathedral - Saturday 18 October, 10.30am**

Janet Pearson will give an illustrated talk at Whittington Church. Refreshments available afterwards in the Elizabethan Room. Donations to Church funds.

### **Whist Drive (with a twist!) - Saturday 25 October, 7pm, Church**

A social event over a game of cards. Come early from 6.30pm to learn the game. All welcome, (including children old enough to play). Sign up at the back of Church, £5 (including refreshments). See posters for details.

### **Autumn Fair - Saturday 15 November, 11-2pm**

Please sell raffle tickets (available from Angela) to friends, neighbours and family.

## 10.00AM ALL TOGETHER EUCHARIST

The **Order of Service** is in a separate booklet, large print copies are available. This **Bulletin** contains the words of the hymns, readings, and special prayers for the day, as well as notices and prayers for the week. You are welcome to take it home. If you would like a kneeler, please ask a member of the Welcome Team.

Celebrant	<b>Revd Peter Hart</b>
Preacher	<b>Revd Michael Bunclark</b>
Piano & Organ	<b>John Swindells</b>

### FIRST SONG NEH 336

Angel-voices ever singing  
Round thy throne of light,  
Angel-harps, for ever ringing,  
Rest not day nor night;  
Thousands only live to bless thee  
And confess thee  
Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest  
Mortal eye can scan,  
Can it be that thou regardest  
Songs of sinful man?  
Can we know that thou art near us,  
And wilt hear us?  
Yes, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest  
O'er each work of thine;  
Thou didst ears and hands and voices  
For thy praise design;  
Craftsman's art and music's measure  
For thy pleasure  
All combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer  
Of thine own to thee;  
And for thine acceptance proffer  
All unworthily  
Hearts and minds and hands and voices  
In our choicest  
Psalmody.

*/Continued...*

Honour, glory, might and merit  
Thine shall ever be,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
Blessed Trinity.  
Of the best that thou hast given  
Earth and heaven  
Render thee.

*Francis Pott (1832-1909)*

**See pages 1-2 in the Order of Service**

**Collect** Everlasting God,  
you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels  
and mortals in a wonderful order:  
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,  
so, at your command,  
they may help and defend us on earth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.  
**Amen**

**First Reading** Genesis 28.10-17

A reading from the book of Genesis

- <sup>10</sup> Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran.  
<sup>11</sup> He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night,  
because the sun had set.  
Taking one of the stones of the place,  
he put it under his head and lay down in that place.  
<sup>12</sup> And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth,  
the top of it reaching to heaven;  
and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.  
<sup>13</sup> And the Lord stood beside him and said,  
'I am the Lord,  
the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac;  
the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring;  
<sup>14</sup> and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth,  
and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east  
and to the north and to the south;  
and all the families of the earth shall be blessed  
in you and in your offspring.

- <sup>15</sup> Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go,  
and will bring you back to this land;  
for I will not leave you  
until I have done what I have promised you.'
- <sup>16</sup> Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said,  
'Surely the Lord is in this place - and I did not know it!'
- <sup>17</sup> And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place!  
This is none other than the house of God,  
and this is the gate of heaven.'

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## SECOND SONG SP182

Purify my heart,  
Let me be as gold and precious silver.  
Purify my heart,  
Let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire  
Is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord  
I choose to be holy, set apart for you, my Master,  
Ready to do your will.*

Purify my heart,  
cleanse me from within and make me holy.  
Purify my heart,  
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

*Refiner's fire...*

Brian Doerksen (b 1965)

## Gospel John 1.47-end

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John



All

Glo-ry to you O Lord



Nobody can live who hasn't any water,  
 When the land is dry, then nothing much grows;  
 Jesus gives us life if we drink the living water,  
 Sing it so that everybody knows. *There's water...*

*Christian Strover*

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See pages 6-8 in the Order of Service, joining in singing the opening of the Eucharistic prayer here (*Sursum Corda*)

The musical notation is written on two staves. The first staff has four measures, alternating between 'PRIEST' and 'PEOPLE'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord is here - His Spi - rit is with us. Lift up your hearts we lift them to the Lord -'. The second staff also has four measures, alternating between 'PRIEST' and 'PEOPLE'. The lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God - It is right to give him thanks and praise'.

## **Anthem** Listen let your heart - Aniceto Nazareth (arr. Andrew Moore)

*Listen, let your heart keep seeking;  
 Listen to His constant speaking;  
 Listen to the Spirit calling you.  
 Listen to His inspiration;  
 Listen to His invitation;  
 Listen to the Spirit calling you.*

He's in the sound of the thunder,  
 In the whisper of the breeze.  
 He's in the might of the whirlwind,  
 In the roaring of the seas.

He's in the laughter of the children,  
 In the patter of the rain.  
 Hear Him in cries of the suffering,  
 In their moaning and their pain.

He's in the noise of the city,  
 In the singing of the birds.  
 And in the night-time the stillness  
 Helps you listen to His word.

*Aniceto Nazareth*

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## After Communion

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:  
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage  
we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**See page 9 in the Order of Service**

## FOURTH SONG

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray.  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising  
Keep me praising till the break of day.

*Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings.  
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,  
Sing hosanna to the King.*

Give me peace in my heart,  
keep me resting...

Give me love in my heart,  
keep me serving...

Give me oil in my lamp  
keep me burning...

*Traditional*

**See page 9 in the Order of Service**

*Hymn words published under CCLI 1145602*



# HARVEST CRAFT EVENT

at St Martin's Church

*(children must be accompanied by a parent or carer)*

**Saturday 11 October 2-4 pm**

Come and join us to  
make scarecrows and  
harvest decorations  
for church and home



**Entry by donation**

*Refreshments provided*

# **Harvest Festival**

## **Sunday 12 October**

**10.00am**

### **All Together Eucharist**

*Bring food donations for local charities*

*followed by*

### **Harvest Produce Sale**

*for our missionary causes*

**12.15pm**

### **Harvest Lunch in the Parish Centre**

**Adults £7.50 Children £2.50**

*Good food - entertainment - good company*

Sign up (with payment) in Church, or in the Team Office

**6.00pm**

### **Festal Choral Evensong**

**Stanford in Bb**

**Elgar - Fear not O land**



# PRAY FOR THOSE IN ST MARTIN'S PARISH

## People in sickness or need

Sandra Giles

Peter Fisher

David Dale

Veronica

Stephen Clarke

Michael Campbell

Hannah Cocksworth

## The recently departed

Carey Leonard

## Anniversary of death

Harry Dale

Norma Everton

Jim Allison

Muriel Glossop

Ted Smith

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## DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

### Mon 29 *St Michael & All Angels*

**Revelation 12.7-12    Hebrews 1.5-end    John 1.47-end**

At Michaelmas, remember in prayer the Archangel Michael, who conquered the rebel angels and stands by us, helping to calm our own rebellious natures.

### Tue 30 **Zechariah 8.20-end**

**Luke 9.51-56**

On the feast of St Jerome, give thanks for Bible translators who have helped spread God's word. Pray for current translation projects making scripture accessible to people in their first language.

### Wed 1 **Nehemiah 2.1-8**

**Luke 9.57-end**

On this day, the Church remembers Lord Shaftesbury, whose social reforms improved working conditions. Pray for an end to child labour worldwide.

### Thu 2 **Nehemiah 8.1-12**

**Luke 10.1-12**

Pray for all clergy (such as our own Mike Bunclark) ordained through the Auxiliary Pathway as they develop in their ministry.

### Fri 3 **Deuteronomy 31.7-13**

**Luke 10.13-16**

Pray for the success of MM Club (former members of Mainly Music) meeting tomorrow in church.

### Sat 4 **Joshua 22.1-6**

**Luke 10.17-24**

Today we celebrate St Francis of Assisi. Pray for the natural world and good stewardship of God's creation.

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**Next Week's Readings:** *Habakkuk 1.1-4; 2.1-4; 2 Timothy 1.1-14; Luke 17.5-10*

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## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

The full Church diary for this week, and next week, is displayed on the noticeboard in the Lower Vestry. Please speak to Rebecca if you have any queries, or to book your event or meeting into the diary, to avoid disappointment.

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### Saturday 27 September

10.30am Coffee Concert Church

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### Sunday 28 September

8.00am Said Eucharist Church

10.00am All Together Eucharist Church

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### Monday 29 September

2.30pm AF Working group Lower Vestry

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### Tuesday 30 September

9.30am Leadership Meeting Lower Vestry

11.00am Diocese CYF Meeting Lower Vestry (until 2pm)

1.00pm Monthly Prayer Meeting Lady Chapel

2.00pm Prayer Walk Bath Road

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### Wednesday 1 October

9.30am Mainly Music Church

11.15am Bible Study Lower Vestry

1.30pm Children & Families Committee Church

2.30pm Mothers Union Lower Vestry

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### Thursday 2 October

9.30am Said Eucharist Church

10.00am Poplns Lower Vestry

4.00pm Light Club Lower Vestry

7.30pm WSO Rehearsal Church

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### Friday 3 October

7.00pm Choir Practice Lower Vestry

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### Saturday 4 October

10.00am MM Club Church

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### Sunday 5 October

8.00am Said Eucharist Church

10.00am Sung Eucharist Church

12.30pm Baptism Church

3.30pm Forest Church Whittington Churchyard

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