

St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



Prayer & Growth 2026

SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

OPENING HOURS

CHURCH: Monday - Friday 10am-3pm

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

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

Compline Monday to Friday at 8.30pm

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Prayers for Peace & Justice on Saturdays at 4pm

Hosted by Joan Hazzard joanhazz@gmail.com



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Forest Church – Sunday 6 September, 3.30pm, Whittington Churchyard

We will explore life-giving water, look for blackberries, and get creative with clay. For families with children, join us for outdoor worship, activities, and refreshments.

Prayer Walk – Tuesday 8 September, 2pm, meeting in Church

We continue to meet in Church for prayer, conducting prayer walks around the parish, weather permitting.

PCC Meeting – Tuesday 8 September, 7.30pm, Lower Vestry

Social Committee Meeting – Thu 10 September, 11am, Lower Vestry

Worcester Deanery Prayer Evening – Wed 16 September, 6.30-8pm

Spend an evening in the peaceful surroundings of St Martin's Church, Holt (4 Castle Holt Barns, WR6 6NJ) joining together in prayer and fellowship with Christians from across the Deanery in *Praying Through Change*. Open to all – see poster for further details. (Car park just beyond the church on the left)

Family Barn Dance – Saturday 26 September, 5-8pm, Church

Bookings are open for our annual family Barn Dance with the brilliant Orchard Band. Tickets adults £12, children £5, family ticket £25 - includes a Ploughman's supper. Please sign up at the back of Church, with payment to Angela or Barbara (cash/card).

Order your Christmas cards from Will Jupe - by Monday 28 September

Samples and order forms are now available at the back of church. Please give your order (with payment and in an envelope, please) to Will Jupe. Cards will be available for collection from church from Sunday 25 October.

Harvest Lunch – Sunday 11 October, 12.15pm in Church

Join us for lunch to celebrate Harvest Festival, with good food, entertainment and good company. Please sign up at the back of Church, with payment (card or cash) from today. Adults £7.50, Children £2.50.

Organ repairs update

Nicholson's have now been engaged to undertake the additional repair work to the organ which, thanks to your generosity, is now fully funded. It is hoped that the organ will be up and running by the end of September, but this timeline is dependent upon them receiving specific parts from an external supplier.

Service for Prayer and Healing

We are looking to re-introduce a dedicated service for prayer and healing once a month, and would like to hear whether this would be of interest, and consider which days/times would be best. Please complete one of the slips at the back of Church, and return it to Angela, Marian or Barbara. Thank you.

10.00AM SUNG EUCHARIST

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

Celebrant & Preacher **Revd Peter Hart**
Piano **John Swindells**

The Communion setting is by Hall-Johnson, (available from the Welcome Team).

Hymn NEH 444

Rejoice to-day with one accord,
Sing out with exultation;
Rejoice and praise our mighty Lord,
Whose arm hath brought salvation.
His works of love proclaim
The greatness of his name;
For he is God alone,
Who hath his mercy shown:
Let all his saints adore him!

When in distress to him we cried
He heard our sad complaining;
O trust in him, what'er betide,
His love is all-sustaining.
Triumphant songs of praise
To him our hearts shall raise;
Now every voice shall say,
O praise our God alway:
Let all his saints adore him!

HW Baker (1821-77)

see pages 2-3 in the Order of Service

Collect Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

First Reading Exodus 12.1-14

- 12** The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt,
2 “This month is to be for you the first month,
the first month of your year.
3 Tell the whole community of Israel
that on the tenth day of this month
each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household.
4 If any household is too small for a whole lamb,
they must share one with their nearest neighbour,
having taken into account the number of people there are.
You are to determine the amount of lamb needed
in accordance with what each person will eat.
5 The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect,
and you may take them from the sheep or the goats.
6 Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month,
when all the members of the community of Israel
must slaughter them at twilight.
7 Then they are to take some of the blood
and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses
where they eat the lambs.
8 That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire,
along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast.
9 Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water,
but roast it over a fire - with the head, legs and internal organs.
10 Do not leave any of it till morning;
if some is left till morning, you must burn it.
11 This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your
belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand.
Eat it in haste; it is the Lord’s Passover.
12 “On that same night I will pass through Egypt
and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals,
and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt.
I am the Lord.
13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are,
and when I see the blood, I will pass over you.
No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.
14 “This is a day you are to commemorate;
for the generations to come
you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord - a lasting ordinance.”

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Second Reading Romans 13.8-14

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

- ⁸ Owe no one anything, except to love one another;
for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.
- ⁹ The commandments,
‘You shall not commit adultery;
You shall not murder;
You shall not steal;
You shall not covet’;
and any other commandment,
are summed up in this word,
‘Love your neighbour as yourself.’
- ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbour;
therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.
- ¹¹ Besides this, you know what time it is,
how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer to us now
than when we became believers;
- ¹² the night is far gone, the day is near.
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness
and put on the armour of light;
- ¹³ let us live honourably as in the day,
not in revelling and drunkenness,
not in debauchery and licentiousness,
not in quarrelling and jealousy.
- ¹⁴ Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ,
and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn NEH 344 (Tune NEH 482 Gott Sei Dank)

Children of the heavenly King,
As ye journey sweetly sing;
Sing your Saviour's worthy praise,
Glorious in his works and ways.

/Continued...

We are travelling home to God,
In the way the fathers trod;
They are happy now, and we
Soon their happiness shall see.

Fear not, brethren; joyful stand
On the borders of your land:
Jesus Christ your Father's Son,
Bids you undismayed go on.

Lift your eyes ye sons of light,
Sion's city is in sight;
There our endless home shall be,
There our Lord in glory see.

John Kennick (1718-55)

Gospel Matthew 18.15-20

Jesus spoke to his disciples.

- ¹⁵ 'If another member of the church sins against you,
go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone.
If the member listens to you,
you have regained that one.
- ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to,
take one or two others along with you,
so that every word may be confirmed
by the evidence of two or three witnesses.
- ¹⁷ If the member refuses to listen to them,
tell it to the church;
and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church,
let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector.
- ¹⁸ Truly I tell you,
whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven,
and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.
- ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you,
if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask,
it will be done for you by my Father in heaven.
- ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them.'

This is the gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

The Sermon follows, then see pages 5-7 in the Order of Service

Offertory Hymn NEH 475

Ye holy angels bright,
Who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
Fly at your Lord's command,
Assist our song,
For else the theme
Too high doth seem
For mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest,
Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
Behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
As in his sight
With sweet delight
Ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
Some joyful anthem sing;
Take what he gives
And praise him still,
Through good or ill,
Who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in God above:
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise.

Richard Baxter (1615-91)

See pages 7-11 in the Order of Service

Then sing the acclamations after the words:

Great is the mystery of faith



Anthem Lead us, heavenly Father lead us - Ian Higginson (b 1959)

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee;
Yet possessing every blessing
If our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us,
All our weakness thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Self denying, death defying,
Thou to Calvary didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy;
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy.

/ Edmeston (1791-1867)

After Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

See page 11 in the Order of Service

Final Hymn NEH 453

Stand up! Stand up for Jesus!
Ye soldiers of the Cross;
Lift high his royal banner,
It must not suffer loss.
From victory unto victory
His army he shall lead,
Till every foe is vanquished,
And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up! Stand up for Jesus!
The trumpet call obey,
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this his glorious day.
Ye that are men now serve him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.

Stand up! Stand up for Jesus!
Stand in his strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the gospel armour,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls or danger,
Be never wanting there!

Stand up! Stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
The next the victor's song.
To him who overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally.

See page 12 in the Order of Service

Voluntary Canzona – Domenico Zipoli (1688-1726)

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Next Week's Readings: Numbers 21.4-9; Philippians 2.6-11; John 3.13-17

St Martin's Church, London Road



FAMILY BARN DANCE

SATURDAY

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SEPTEMBER

5PM - 8PM

with The Orchard Band

£12 Adult | £5 Child

£25 Family

Tickets must be booked in advance - from the Church Office or Eventbrite, or using QR Code (small booking fee applies).

Ploughman's meal included
Licensed Bar & Raffle



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PRAY FOR THOSE IN ST MARTIN'S PARISH

People in sickness or need

David Dale	Veronica Cooper	Stephen Clarke	Eglé Tumanova
Gail Stone	Thelma Bushell	Shirley Scott	Jackie
Geoff	Alison Houghton	Elizabeth Robertson	Marcus Lintzgy
Otto Lintzgy	Erin	Chris Dale	Ray Harbourne

The recently departed

Mary Clarke	Rosemary Chase	Susan Prosser	Tony Briscoe
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Anniversary of death

If you wish to have your loved ones remembered annually in prayer on the week of their anniversary, please email Rebecca at worcestersoutheastteam@gmail.com

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Mon 7	1 Corinthians 5.1-8	Luke 6.6-11
	“The flood took everything I have” - in the light of this poignant headline, pray for those lost, made homeless, and bereaved and traumatised survivors in Nepal and Tibet.	
Tue 8	1 Corinthians 6.1-11	Luke 6.12-19
	As the new term gets into its stride, pray for Red Hill C of E Primary School and its head, Jolanda Simmonds.	
Wed 9	1 Corinthians 7.25-31	Luke 6.20-26
	Pray for the small people at Mainly Music today. May they make a joyful noise.	
Thu 10	1 Corinthians 8.1-end	Luke 6.27-38
	Remember in your prayers our emergency services: police, fire, ambulance, and the RNLI.	
Fri 11	1 Corinthians 9.16-end	Luke 6.39-42
	On the 25 th anniversary of 9/11, remember in prayer all those who died, and everyone who mourns them.	
Sat 12	1 Corinthians 10.14-22	Luke 6.43-end
	Pray for our altar servers, and all those who assist at the Eucharist.	

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.

Saturday 5 September

Sunday 6 September

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Church

Monday 7 September

Tuesday 8 September

2.00pm	Prayer Group Church
7.30pm	PCC Meeting Church

Wednesday 9 September

9.30am	Mainly Music Church
11.15am	Bible Study Lower Vestry
7.00pm	Residents' Meeting Lower Vestry
7.30pm	Baptism Preparation Lower Vestry

Thursday 10 September

9.30am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Poplns Lower Vestry
7.30pm	WSO Rehearsal Church

Friday 11 September

7.00pm	Choir Practice Lower Vestry
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Saturday 12 September

Sunday 13 September

8.00am	Said Eucharist Church
10.00am	Sung Eucharist Church
6.00pm	Choral Evensong Church
