

St Martin's Weekly Bulletin



Prayer & Mission 2025

SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER 18TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SERVICES IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Thursday 9.30am Said Eucharist

OPENING HOURS

CHURCH: Monday to Friday 10am-3pm

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

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

Hosted by Mike Bunclark mbunclark@tiscali.co.uk

Prayers for Peace & Justice on Saturdays at 4pm

Hosted by Joan Hazzard joanhazz@gmail.com



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NOTICES

Junior Church meets during the 10am service, leaving after the Collect prayer (with a parent/carer), for activities downstairs.

Harvest thanks

Thanks to all who helped make our Harvest celebrations a success. We had a wonderful craft event, with many families joining us for the first time. A delicious lunch and social time were enjoyed together on Sunday afternoon, concluding later with our Festal Harvest Evensong. The Archdeacon was impressed on Monday morning by the quantity of donations for local charities which had been given from both Church and School. Thank you for all the efforts to make this Festival special

Ministry Vocations Marketplace (online) - Tuesday 21 October, 7pm

This event, run by the Diocese, allows people who are interested to begin exploring various forms of ministry. Along with a general introduction to vocation/ministry, there will be an opportunity to hear details around Ordained ministry, Licensed Lay Ministry / Reader ministry, Authorised Lay Ministry (ALM) and Youth & Children's ministry. Contact Rebecca in the Office for more details.

Kids Club - Thursday 23 October, 4pm, Lower Vestry

Our group for primary school children meets this Thursday, with café from 3.30pm.

Coffee Concert - Saturday 25 October, 10.30am, Church

Early music specialists, Northwick Baroque, present a varied programme of sacred and secular Baroque music from around Europe for soprano, bass, recorders and continuo. FREE concert, with donations to Alzheimer's Research UK.

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.

All Soul's Memorial Service - Sunday 2 November, 6.00pm, Church

All are welcome to our annual memorial service for all those in the Parish who have been bereaved in recent months. Please add names of loved ones whom you would like also to be remembered at this service, to the list at the back of Church.

Autumn Fair - Saturday 15 November, 11-2pm, Church

Donations of good quality second-hand books and jigsaws needed, new items for the tombola, and homemade cakes & preserves. Donations can be brought to the Office during office hours, and bring cakes on the afternoon of Friday 14th. For large donations, please phone first, or speak to Angela. Donations of items needed for the Waitrose hamper prize needed in due course - details soon.

Raffle Tickets are available from Dave Hall, please sell to friends and neighbours.

Christian Aid @80 - The Old Palace, Saturday 22 November, 2-4pm

Worcester Cathedral welcomes the CEO of Christian Aid, Patrick Watt, to give an address, and participate in a Q&A session. Live music and refreshments. Your free ticket must be booked in advance, contact Rebecca, by Sunday 9 November.

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	Revd Mike Bunclark
Preacher	Revd Peter Hart
Organ	John Swindells

The Communion setting is by Noel Rawsthorne (available from the Welcome Team).

Hymn NEH 437

Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him;
Praise him, angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him,
Praise him, all ye stars and light:
Praise the Lord! for he has spoken,
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws, which never shall be broken,
For their guidance he has made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;
God has made his saints victorious.
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation;
Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify his name!

Worship, honour, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer to thy name;
Young and old, thy praise expressing,
Join their Saviour to proclaim.
As the saints in heaven adore thee,
We would bow before thy throne;
As thine angels serve before thee,
So on earth thy will be done.

Verses 1 & 2 Foundling Hospital Collection (1796)
Verse 3 Edward Osler (1798-1863)

See pages 2-3 in the Order of Service

Collect Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith,
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments,
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

Junior Church recessional (*Sing twice through*)

Stand up, clap hands, shout thank you Lord,
Thank you for the world I'm in,
Stand up clap hands shout thank you Lord,
For happiness and peace within.

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First Reading Genesis 32.22-31

A reading from the Book of Genesis

- 22 Jacob got up, took his two wives,
his two maids, and his eleven children,
and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.
23 He took them and sent them across the stream,
and likewise everything that he had.
24 Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.
25 When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob,
he struck him on the hip socket;
and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.
26 Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.'
But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.'
27 So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.'
28 Then the man said,
'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel,
for you have striven with God and with humans,
and have prevailed.'
29 Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.'
But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?'
And there he blessed him.
30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying,
'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.'
31 The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel,
limping because of his hip.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Please join with the choir in singing the Psalm

Psalm 121

*All sing the response after the Choir has sung it once,
then after each section of verses.*

Andrew Moore

Response

My help comes from the Lord, the mak - er of heav'n and earth.



All My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth

- ¹ I lift up my eyes | to the hills;
from where is my | help to come?
- ² My help comes | from the Lord,
the maker of hea|ven and earth.

All My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth

- ³ He will not suffer your | foot to stumble;
he who watches over you | will not sleep.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps watch | over Israel
shall neither slum|ber nor sleep.

All My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth

- ⁵ The Lord himself | watches over you;
the Lord is your shade | at your right hand,
- ⁶ So that the sun shall not strike | you by day,
neither the | moon by night.

All My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heav'n and earth

- ⁷ The Lord shall keep you | from all evil;
it is he who shall | keep your soul.
- ⁸ The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your |
coming in, from this time forth for | evermore.

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Second Reading 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.5

A reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy

- ¹⁴ Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed,
knowing from whom you learned it,
¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings
that are able to instruct you for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus.
- ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God
and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction,
and for training in righteousness,
¹⁷ so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient,
equipped for every good work.
- ¹ In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus,
who is to judge the living and the dead,
and in view of his appearing and his kingdom,
I solemnly urge you:
- ² proclaim the message;
be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable;
convince, rebuke, and encourage,
with the utmost patience in teaching.
- ³ For the time is coming
when people will not put up with sound doctrine,
but having itching ears,
they will accumulate for themselves teachers
to suit their own desires,
⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth
and wander away to myths.
- ⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering,
do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn NEH 407

Lord, thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth,
Light and joy receiveth.

When our foes are near us,
Then thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying.

O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee,
Evermore be near thee!

H W Baker 1821-77

Gospel Luke 18.1-8

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke



All

Glo-ry to you - O Lord

- ¹ Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.
- ² He said,
'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people.
- ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent."
- ⁴ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself,
"Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone,
- ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me,
I will grant her justice,
so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."
- ⁶ And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says.
- ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?
- ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them.
And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'



All

Praise to you-O Christ

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

Offertory Hymn SP288

Like a mighty river flowing,
like a flower in beauty growing,
far beyond all human knowing
is the perfect peace of God.

Like the hills serene and even,
like the coursing clouds of heaven,
like the heart that's been forgiven
is the perfect peace of God.

Like the summer breezes playing,
like the tall trees softly swaying,
like the lips of silent praying
is the perfect peace of God.

Like the morning sun ascended,
like the scents of evening blended,
like a friendship never ended
is the perfect peace of God.

Like the azure ocean swelling,
like the jewel all-excelling,
far beyond our human telling
is the perfect peace of God.

Michael Perry (1942-1996)
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See pages 7-11 in the Order of Service

Anthem Cantate Dominum - Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni (1657-1743)

Cantate Domino canticum novum,
laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum.
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,
et filiae Sion exultent in rege suo.

*Translation: Sing to the Lord a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the saints.
Let Israel rejoice in he who made them,
and the people of Zion rejoice in their King.*

Based on Psalm 149.1-2

After Communion

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you reign
with all your saints for ever.

Amen

See page 11 in the Order of Service

Final Hymn SPI58

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I who make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night,
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? *Here I am...*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life for them.
Whom shall I send? *Here I am...*

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See pages 12 in the Order of Service

Voluntary Prelude and Bell Allegro - John Stanley (1713-1786)

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Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 45.22-end; Romans 15.1-6; Luke 4.16-24

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	
Terry Dillingham	Zena Hart		

For those in continued trouble

Marilyn Daly	Adam	Chris Dale	Donna Vickers
Valerie Castle	Sheila Sergeant	Roderick Dovey	

The recently departed

Gladys Treadwell Margaret Chivers

Anniversary of death

Fred Allan	Ruth Wickham	Sister Joan Hudspeth
Bill Hart	Jeffrey Weaver	William Hemming

DAILY READINGS AND PRAYERS

Mon 20 **Romans 4.20-end**

Luke 12.13-21

Pray for all those involved in the education and development of our children and young people; for teachers, lecturers, boards of governors, youth workers, playgroup leaders etc.

Tue 21 **Romans 5.12-end**

Luke 12.35-38

Pray for all those who produce and distribute the parish magazines in the Team. Give thanks for the work they do in keeping people informed and connected and part of our community.

Wed 22 **Romans 6.12-18**

Luke 12.39-48

Pray for the homeless and the dispossessed, for the poor, for refugees throughout the world, and for the agencies that work with them and for them.

In Worcester, pray for Maggs, St Paul's Hostel, and the Foodbank.

Thu 23 **Romans 6.19-end**

Luke 12.49-53

Pray for those who work to relieve the sickness and suffering of others in our hospitals, nursing and care homes, and those who minister to people in their own homes.

Fri 24 **Romans 7.18-end**

Luke 12.54-end

As winter approaches, and with announcements of fuel price increases, pray for all who worry about how they will meet the costs of daily living, particularly the cost of staying warm.

Sat 25 **Romans 8.1-11**

Luke 13.1-9

We continue to pray for peace in the world, and join our prayers with the prayers of those who will meet on Zoom, at 4pm today, to offer prayers for peace and justice.

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 18 October

Sunday 19 October

8.00am Said Eucharist Church
10.00am Sung Eucharist Church

Monday 20 October

12 noon Funeral of Margaret Chivers Church
1.30pm Meeting (John S) Lower Vestry

Tuesday 21 October

Wednesday 22 October

9.30am Mainly Music Church
11.15am Bible Study Lower Vestry
7.30pm Team Council Lower Vestry

Thursday 23 October

9.30am Said Eucharist Church
10.00am PopIns Lower Vestry
1.30pm Fort Royal School Harvest Service Church
4.00pm Kids Club Lower Vestry
7.30pm WSO Rehearsal Church

Friday 24 October

No Choir practice

Saturday 25 October

10.30am Coffee Concert Church
6.30pm for 7.00pm Whist Drive Church

Sunday 26 October

8.00am Said Eucharist Church
10.00am Sung Eucharist Church
