

ST MARY'S AND ST MARTIN'S

14 September

Trinity 13

St Mary's 8am service - 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays - Holy Communion (BCP)
 St Mary's 6pm Second Sunday of month - Evensong
 St Martin's 10am service - Parish Communion

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 14 th	10am	St Martin's	Parish Communion with Junior Church
	6pm	St Mary's	Evensong
Monday 15 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
	8pm	Parish Centre	PCC Meeting
Tuesday 16 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 17 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Thursday 18 th	10am	Parish Centre	Holy Communion followed by refreshments
Saturday 20 th	10am	Parish Centre	KFC Coffee Morning
	10am	Knebworth School	Litter pick – see emailed poster
Sunday 21 st	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	St Martin's	Parish Communion

READINGS FOR SUNDAY

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Luke 15:1-10

COLLECT. Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

OUR NEWS

LAST SUNDAY

We had a super service last week at St Martin's as we gathered back after the summer, looking ahead to the new season ahead. Breakfast beforehand was much enjoyed, and we shared in worship, reflecting especially on words from Jeremiah and God's plans for us, together with a blessing of bags! Thanks especially to all who made this service possible, and as we continue to trial this new service, we will be repeating the format on the first Sunday of the month. The team welcomes your feedback. See photos below:

OPEN CHURCH AT ST MARY'S

A huge thank you to all who have welcomed visitors to St Mary's this summer. It is wonderful outreach and appreciated by so many as we share our parish church as a place of living worship and heritage. Julia reports that we have welcomed 612 visitors, and we intend to open again for Harvest at St Mary's on 12 Oct, Remembrance Sunday, and for Knebworth House's Christmas Fair on 23 Nov.

EXPLORING FAITH AND CONFIRMATION

We are looking to run some sessions over the next couple of months exploring the basics of our Christian faith, and for those who wish it, leading to confirmation. We have a number of takers so far, so if you would like to join in, do speak to Charles for more info.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL SET UP 4/5 Oct

Thank you to those who are helping with making our Scarecrows. I am now looking for **help please to set them up** on St Martin's green. Could you give me 30 mins help please on Saturday 4th at 10am? Also, someone to move them back into the Parish Centre at 5.30pm. Plus similar on the Sunday. Please let me know if you can help for one of the times. Penny.

HARVEST BARBECUE SAT 11 Oct

You are invited to a Harvest barbecue from 1pm on the 11 October in the Parish Centre if cold & wet or the green if warm & dry. A simple meal of burgers and sausages, with a selection of salads, followed by homemade puddings. An opportunity for people attending different services to get to know each other better. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of St Mary's and St Martin's.

Please remember in your prayers:

- All those known to us who need **healing** at this time, including: Jane Gilbert, Orla & her family, Mick & Sue Willis, Father Philip, Helmut Proff.
 - Those who have died.
 - The Diocese of St Albans, Bishop Richard as Acting Bishop of St Albans; Bishop Jane; Archdeacon Janet, and all those who support us in our worship and ministry.
 - Places suffering from war, conflict and strife, among them: The Holy Land – Israel and Palestine, Ukraine, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Mali, Yemen, and Sudan.
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