



The Parish of St. Martin & St. Paul Canterbury Pentecost 24th May 2026

Today

9.00am **Said Eucharist at St Martin's**

Celebrant: **Reverend Dr Mary Kells, Rector**

Preacher: **Reverend Prof Charlotte Sleigh, Associate Priest**

10.30am **Sung Eucharist with SZs 1&2 at St Paul's**

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5.00pm **Service of Silence and Compline at St Martin's**

This service is lived streamed on YouTube. Search MartinPaulChurches

Hymns: 238, 239, 247, 257

Organist: David Rees-Williams

Parish Prayers: *Sophie S, Erika and family, Alison, Nicola, Brian, Dawn, Bandana, Marylyn, and all who are unwell. For Jasmine Davenport and all who have recently died, remembering especially their families and all who mourn. We remember the memorial anniversary / year's mind of Dorothy Hollands, Shirley Andrews, Dietrich Holstein, Gill Francis.*

Parish Giving: *Please consider donating to support our life and Christian mission.*

- *Giving regularly helps us cover our regular costs which are over £565 a day – join our parish giving scheme via the QR Code, our website or speak to a warden.*
- *Give today with cash or card at the back of church.*
- *Make a one-off donation via our website or QR Code.*

Thank you!



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Collect

Flowing Spirit, living water, Mother of creation: refresh our hearts, inspire our gifts, indwell our gathering and make us a sign of all the world's calling to be one in you; through Jesus Christ, who quenches our thirst. Amen.

First Lesson: Acts 2. 1-11

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104. 26-end

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan: whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being. And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.

As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

(We stand for the Doxology): Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Second Lesson: I Corinthians 12.3b–13

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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Gospel: John 7.37–39

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Notices:

Quiet Day. Friday 29th May at Minster Abbey speak to Mary Butcher for more information or contact the office.

The King's Men live at Canterbury Cathedral Wednesday 15th July at 7.30pm

This is our next major fundraising campaign for St Martin's! A unique opportunity to hear this talented a capella group sing a variety of music in our stunning Cathedral setting. The Cathedral has kindly allowed us to use their venue and waived the cost. Tickets are on sale at www.martinpaul.org/the-kings-men. Help is needed to promote this event and on the day. If you able to help, please speak to Ros at St Paul's or email safeguarding@martinpaul.org

Corpus Christi. Join us for a Sung Eucharist on Thursday 6th at 7.30pm at St. Paul's. Our celebrant and preacher will be Canon David Roper. The service is followed by drinks and nibbles at the back of church.

24 Hours of Prayer. From 6pm on Friday 26th June we will be holding 24 hours of prayer at St. Pauls. There will be a number of services over the 24 hours, and it is an opportunity to explore different ways of praying. We are looking for 2 things: volunteers, to welcome and to sign up to pray, and for your prayers, if there is a particular prayer that is special to you then send it to the office and it may be our prayer for the hour. For more information, please talk to Sam or email the office.

Archbishop's Medal. Congratulations to Jeremy and Theo Isom who have both been awarded the Archbishops' Medal in Church Music, an exam run on behalf of the Archbishops of Canterbury and Westminster by the Guild of Church Musicians.

Diary

'Pray as you go' App join us 8am Monday, Tuesday and Friday wherever you are – *Speak to the Rector or email the office for more information.*

Wednesday 27th	10:30am Prayer Book Eucharist & Coffee at St. Paul's 5pm St. Augustine's Day service, starting at St. Martin's 7.30pm Confirmation Class for Adults in Parish Centre
Thursday 28th	8:40pm Online Compline Zoom https://bit.ly/ThursdayCompline
Friday 29th	6.00pm Confirmation Class for Young People in Parish Centre 7:30pm Choir practice
Sunday 31th	<u>Trinity Sunday</u> 9.00am Said Eucharist – St Martin's 10:30 Sung Eucharist with Anointing and SZ 1 – St Paul's

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