

St Martin's Church

25th October 2026

***NOTE - the clocks go back this Sunday!**

8.30am *

Holy Communion
Glenn Hickson
Rev Sue Pendenque

Psalm 42

Romans 5.1-5

6.00pm *

Unplugged Special
The God Who Heals

**As the deer pants for
streams of water,
so my soul pants for
you, my God.
My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.**

Psalm 42 v1-2

10.30am *

Holy Communion
Preaching:
Glenn Hickson
Presiding:
Rev Sue Pendenque

UNPLUGGED SPECIAL
AT ST MARTIN'S

THE GOD WHO HEALS

Josh Smith - a senior leader within
One Church Leicester.

Josh will share with us about healings
they have seen at the One Church campus
he co-leads, stories to inspire and
encourage as well as

times where they are yet to see Gods answer.
He will share what they are learning about prayer
and how we can pray for one another.



COME PRAY AND BE PRAYED FOR
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AND ALL ARE WELCOME

6pm On Sunday 25th October at
St Martin's Trevose Gardens NG5 3FU

For your Prayers this week

We pray for the Morgan family, Kate, Frances & David Clayden, Jayne (Jenny O's Sister), Ina, Sue & Brian, Brenda Charles, Christine & Chris Budd, Glenys Lowth, Sarah Conte, Judith Swift, Karine Thornhill, her daughter Charlotte & her husband & children and the Higgins family



This week we are praying for Gunthorpe Drive and Gunthorpe Close

Seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you-
Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.

Jeremiah 29.7



People's Emergency Briefing

50 minute film, featuring Chris Packham
Are you concerned about heatwaves, flooding, energy security, nature loss, and the cost of living?

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING > SHERWOOD

FREE film screening, followed by a discussion



WEDNESDAY
28
OCTOBER

The film everyone needs to see!

2.00 PM



St. Martin's Church
Trevose Gardens NG5 3FU
Book a free ticket with QR code
or at <https://linktr.ee/pebnotts>

7.00 PM



More info <https://www.nebriefing.org> - Contact stmsherwood@gmail.com

Wed 28th Oct, in church.

Nine leading UK scientists and experts talk about the climate and nature crises, with the latest evidence and why it matters for things like:

Extreme weather, Food security, Health, Cost of living and Nature loss.

Suitable for age 16+

2pm <https://xrb.link/n7Q1j7iT4>

7pm <https://xrb.link/qz3o5oorj>

If you would prefer to sign up on paper there is a sheet in the foyer.

Unplugged Special

25th October - The God Who Heals

Come and join us from 6pm, for an extended time together, with guest Speaker Josh Smith from One-Church Leicester sharing about their experiences of praying for healing and encountering the *God Who Heals*

Glow party

The youth team are holding a Glow event at 4.30pm on the 31st October. We are still looking for helpers. Without people this won't be possible, so if you can support in any way, please contact Mark H



Parents, Kids and Carers Drop-in

HALF TERM TOAST CLUB

@St Martin's Sherwood

Play, Chat, Eat

Everyone welcome

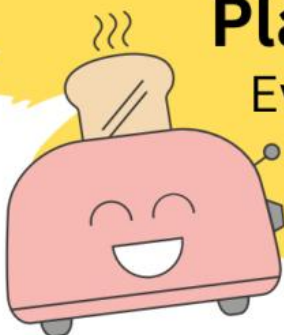
Tues 27th and Weds 28th

October

10am -12noon

Toast, Tea,

Coffee and Juice + a variety of toppings
inc gluten/vegan options.



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Bags of Blessings

are one of our minor charities, based in Daybrook. Every year they make up Christmas bags to distribute to underprivileged children in Nottinghamshire, via Food banks, Shareware, homeless and refugee charities or organisations which support disadvantaged children.

This year they have a target of **2500 bags** and are wondering if St Martin's can kindly help by donating small items such as colouring books, crayons, stationery, toys and games, chocolate, and a signed Christmas Card. If you feel you can help in any way by donating any suitable items there is a white cardboard collection box in the porch. Thanking you on their behalf. Julie D



St Martin's Church
SHERWOOD

A Music Lovers' Dream

Come and join us as we celebrate our patron saint St Martin's name day!

Saturday 14th November
from 4pm

St Martin's Church,
Trevose Gardens, Sherwood

Cream tea
from 4pm

Choral Evensong
at 5pm
led by Chiara Choir
accompanied on our famous organ.

All welcome and it's free!

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Family Fun

at St Martin's Church

Saturday 7th November
2 - 4pm

St Martin's Church,
Trevose Gardens, Sherwood

Stalls selling local crafts & produce

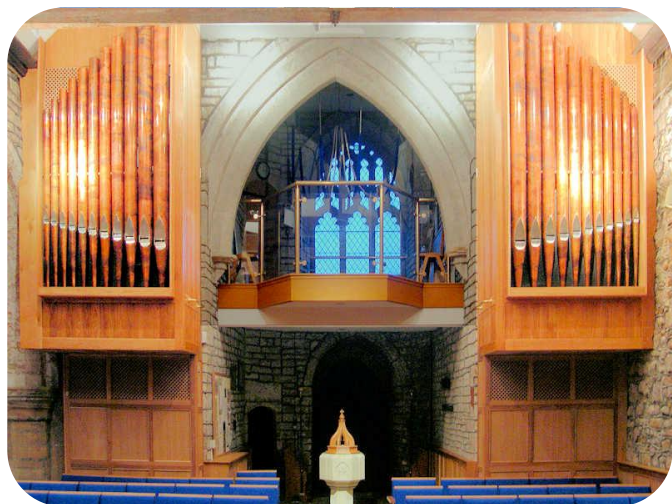
Face painting

Games

Crafts

Refreshments
Tea and coffee
Sausage cobs
Cakes and more!

Funds raised for
Nourish Sherwood
and Christian Aid



Momentum

Chris Morris knows of some Christian men - the group is called Momentum – meeting occasionally through the year at St Michael's Church

Linby to worship and encourage each other. It would be good to join in. Contact Chris for a lift. Next meeting - Friday 13th November, 7:30pm.

Weekly Evening Prayer at St Martin's

Whatever your day has been like, join us at St Martin's for a brief pause to bring it all before God in praise and thanks, prayer and petition.

Monday afternoons 4 - 4.30pm

Climate café

There's a climate focus coming up at the local Libraries find out about it here –
<https://shorturl.at/6KDW1>
 It includes a Climate café at Sherwood Library on Wed 21 October –

“a relaxed space to talk about how climate change makes you feel ... not debate or campaigning”



Quiet prayer

Annie Hargrave

Some of us at St Martin's take times of quiet in our prayers, and some don't.

It can be a lovely, delicious feeling. But it can feel uncomfortable – scary even. Mostly, to tell the truth, like life in general, nothing much seems to happen at all!

Have you ever sat on a park bench with an old friend & you didn't need to say anything for a while? Just sat, quietly, enjoying the companionship & the sense of trust & ease between you.

Quiet prayer is a bit like that. Except that you are sitting in the presence of God.

Not asking for anything, not wanting to achieve anything, not looking for bliss or fireworks! Being, just being consciously in God's presence.

We can do this in solitude. Or agree to keep a time of quiet prayer with a companion or in a group. If it feels difficult start out timing yourself just ten minutes. If it feels scary go out for a quiet walk; look, listen & find God in the surroundings. Maybe in the gardens you pass by or the groups of children laughing or quarrelling on the way home from school. Maybe noticing the presence of God in places you would have thought God had no business to be!



Quiet Prayer Continued

In quietness we free ourselves to listen. Listen to what's around us. Listen to the clamour of our thoughts - maybe, in time, calm them down a bit. More than anything else open to be able to listen to God. To take a while in the divine, choosing the Mary sitting with Jesus over the Martha who's preoccupied with the kitchen jobs to the extent that she could miss out on Jesus' presence.

If you give it a try remember:

1. You may hear something you don't like
2. You might not experience or feel anything in particular
3. It isn't a one-off. It's a dimension of ongoing prayer
4. If you have a mental health diagnosis take care of yourself. E.g. don't close your eyes - find a focus to look at.
5. Talk to someone about any questions or concerns that might arise



Supporting a friend

From time to time we become aware of people among us who have financial need. For some time individual members of the church have been supporting a member of the congregation. This need is ongoing. If you feel that you would be able to offer a small contribution for a short time, please would you have a chat with Rachel King, who has been coordinating financial support for this person.

Carol Singing

*Abbeyfield, Thursday 10th December, 6.30pm, &
Albemarle Hall, Monday 21st December, 11.00am*

We are invited to sing carols again at Abbeyfield - most likely in Sandwood with a grand piano!

It will be leading communal singing, not giving a concert. We have always had a joyful time singing at these events and have been much appreciated.



If you are willing and able to sing at either event, please put the date(s) in your diary and sign up on the sheet at the back of church with your name & contact details.

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