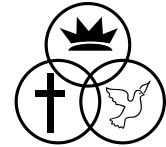


Benefice of Martock with Kingsbury Episcopi and Ash



Baptisms at All Saints' Martock 2017

Thank you for your recent enquiry about baptisms at All Saints. Baptism symbolises entry into the family of the church – an incredibly important occasion.

The first step is to explore this possibility further by coming to a baptism preparation course (normally just less than an hour) which we run regularly in the benefice. This is an opportunity to think about baptism and make sure it's the right option for you. It's a chance to think about what baptism means, learn more about the service and think about other aspects of church life. It's great if godparents can come too – though we're conscious this isn't always possible if they live out of the area. In 2017 we are offering the following dates starting at 12.30pm (you need to come to one of these at least a month before the baptism):-

18th February, 25th March, 27th May, 17th June, 22nd July, 2nd September and 30th September

You'll be able to book in for one of these on the application form ([please click here](#)). You may not be ready to fill in all the information e.g. you might not be sure which date you want or who you are going to ask to be godparents. That's fine! We can always fill in this information at a later date – though we do need the information at least ten days in advance of the baptism.

At All Saints we offer a monthly baptism service when two or three families come together for baptism with a crèche, organist and a more interactive service. Unfortunately, though, it generally means that we are only able to offer a service of baptism on these dates. All the services start at 3pm. The dates for baptisms in 2017 are:-

19th March, 9th April, 14th May, 11th June, 16th July, 20th August, 17th September, 15th October

I do hope this at least enables you to start planning the baptism. Do have a look at the enclosed sheet on frequently asked questions. If I can do anything further to help, please do get in touch, either by phone (01935 826113) or by email: benefice.martock@gmail.com. Alternatively do feel free to pop round any Thursday afternoon from 4.30pm to 6.30pm for David's drop-in when one of the ministry team (normally me!) is at the Vicarage (10 Water Street, Martock). Sarah Nicholas, Benefice Administrator, is also available to help on Wednesdays 10am to 2pm, Thursdays 2.30 to 6.30pm or Fridays 10am to 2pm.

Please return a copy of the completed form to the Benefice Office at The Vicarage in Martock.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

Every blessing,

David Gent

Vicar of Martock with Kingsbury Episcopi and Ash

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