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The Whyte Effect will be singing a carol service for Epiphany, with lessons and readings interspersed with beautiful seasonable music and some favourite congregational carols.

**Collect Prayer**

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Old Testament Reading****Isaiah 49. 1 – 7****OT Pg: 705**

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The Lord called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
And he said to me, 'You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'  
But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,  
and my reward with my God.'  
And now the Lord says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength –  
he says,  
'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'  
Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
'Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the Lord, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

**New Testament Reading****1 Corinthians 1.1 - 9****NT Pg: 177**

From Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Gospel Reading****John 1. 29 - 42****NT Pg: 98**

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?'

They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed).

He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

**Post Communion Prayer**

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Events, News and Notices

**Coffee rota after church.** Thank you so much for those who have offered to serve coffee after church. It would be very helpful if there could be two on each Sunday. If you are able to help there is a rota at the back of church. **Please do keep the coffee going!**

**Taking more exercise in 2026?** Pilates at Pixham Church continues on Wednesday evenings. Please contact Anne Brown 01306884424 for more details.

**St Matthew Bible Study** has reconvened at the vicarage on Tuesdays at 2pm at the vicarage.

**Dorking Area Foodbank.** Requested donations of: tinned meat (ham, chicken), tinned potatoes, rice (500gram bags), adult toothbrushes, shaving foam and tinned baked beans (400-450gram tins)

**Community First Aid Training** on Thursday 29 January in Dorking Library. From 6.30 until 8.30pm. The invitation is not just for St Martin's Church, it includes parish members, partners and friends. those wishing to attend need to register in advance, <https://bit.ly/CommunityFirstAid>. It would be good to have a really good turnout. Canon Peter Bruinvels.

**This evening, 18th January 6pm St Martin's Institute.** 'Is there a quiet revival in the fortunes of Christianity in the West?' The Rev'd Dr Anthony Rustell will lead a seminar exploring the dynamics of faith and secularisation in the West.

On 18<sup>th</sup> February **Caroline Lazenby is leading a Quiet Morning at Ranmore** (Ash Wednesday), starting at 10.30am. The Ashing service follows at 2.30pm.

Your **January issue of the magazine** is available at the back of church.

### PRAYERS

**Please remember in your prayers:** Dick Gover, Martyn Farrant, Pauline Welton, Jacqueline Ko, Matthew Smith, Mary and Andrew Cowan.

**Please pray for those who have died.** Susan Beardsall, Alison Harding, David and Pam Wilcox and Peter Bolitho. We also pray for Sandra Wedgwood, a Friend of St Martin's in every sense of the word. Sandra's funeral will be at 11am on Friday 23rd January at St Michael's, Mickleham. Parking is difficult. All welcome.

The Harding family suggested donations to Princess Alice Hospice via [funeralguide.co.uk/obituaries/139309](http://funeralguide.co.uk/obituaries/139309)

### Diocesan Calendar of Prayer:

[www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer](http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer). January intention: Aldershot and Cranleigh deaneries.

**Download** Daily Prayer App and Everyday Faith from Google Play or Apple App Store.

**Church Office opening times:** 10-12pm 2 days a week (Monday and Friday). At other times, telephone: 01306 884229 or email [stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com)

**Weekly News Sheet** Content to be submitted by TUESDAY afternoon for inclusion in the next issue

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# St Martin's DORKING

WITH ST. MARY'S PIXHAM

Welcome, particularly if you are new or visiting, please stay for refreshments after the service.

## Sunday 18th January, Epiphany 2 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

### Sunday 18th January, Epiphany 2

8am Holy Eucharist BCP

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

9.30am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

6pm St Martin's Institute (*see notes*)

Officiant: Anthony Rustell

### Wednesday 21st January

11.15am Holy Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

### Friday 23rd January

10am Wholeness and Healing Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

## Sunday 25th January, Epiphany 3

8am Holy Eucharist BCP

Celebrant and Preacher: Gerard Mee

9.30am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell and Richard Cheetham

4pm Evening Prayer

Officiant: Caroline Lazenby

**Morning Prayer** every weekday at 8.30am

**Evening Prayer** every weekday at 6pm

### St Mary's, Pixham:

### Sunday 18th January

9.30am Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Barbara Steadman-Allen

### Sunday 25th January

9.30am Morning Worship

Officiant: Caroline Lazenby

### St Barnabas, Ranmore:

### Sunday 18th January

11am Epiphany Carol Service

with The Whyte Effect

Officiant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

### Sunday 25th January

11am Sung Eucharist

Officiant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give

vision to our planning,

wisdom to our actions,

and power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers,

in spiritual commitment to you,

and in service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen