

Collect, Special Prayer for today

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is
gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

New Testament Reading

Acts 1. 15-end **NT Page 126**

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.' (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. This became known to all the residents of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 'For it is written in the book of Psalms, "Let his homestead become desolate, and let there be no one to live in it!"; and "Let another take his position of overseer."' So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Gospel Reading

Mark 3. 31-35 **NT Page 40**

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?'

And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'



THE CHRISTIAN CENTRE IS OPEN AS USUAL. The main entrance door is closed due to irreparable damage. It will not be fixed for some weeks, however please enter by the side door adjacent to the centre and church offices.

Mothers' Union are collecting items for the Women's Refugees. If you would like to donate something, please contact Veronica (07957 633142), who has a list of things needed. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2018. Collectors Still Needed! Christian Aid week is Sunday 13th to Saturday 19th May. As usual Alison Harding and Elizabeth Dobson are looking for volunteers to help with the St. Martin's house-to-house collection in central Dorking and Pixham. Experienced collectors and novices are equally welcome! We have roads to suit the ardent collector and the less enthusiastic.... This is an exceptionally worthwhile cause so please see if you could do your bit this year. Many thanks Alison (07787938144) or alisonharding20@btinternet.com and Elizabeth (01306 881479) or emdhd7@hotmail.com

Why as Christians do we serve others? Is it OK for us as Christians to share the Kingdom of God with others while we serve? How can we share our faith with integrity? Come and join in this interactive session (15th May, 3-5pm, at Good Shepherd Trust Office, Larch Avenue, Guildford GU1 1JY), kate.darwent@cofeguildford.org.uk

Dorking & District Mental Health Project (Dorking Minds) are running a weekend course on suicide prevention 'ASIST' for those having a pastoral role in others' wellbeing on 18/19 May as part of their Mental Health Awareness Week. For further information or to book, please go to www.dorkingminds.org.uk

St Martin's Family at 4pm - our next one is on 20th May, it would be lovely to see you there!

TKC Festival of Prayer, 20th May at Guildford Cathedral 4pm – 8pm. 4pm Taize Contemplative worship leading into prayer stations. A huge variety around the cathedral including, Hopeweavers, Messy Church, The Red Rope, Eden People, Coptic church, Healing Guildford. At 7pm Contemporary worship.

Dorking Foodbank. This week we particularly need UHT Milk, Twin-Pack Sponge Pudding, Instant Mash and Shampoo. Please ensure items are well within date.

The Traidcraft stall is at St Martin's on 3rd June.

Retreat - theme "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom" on 22nd to 24th June 2018 at Ladywell Convent, Godalming, Surrey. Led by Gill Dascombe (former vice president of the Methodist conference). Cost is £160 fully catered. To book your place please contact Brian Sherrell, brian-car@hotmail.co.uk or 01883 370945.

Helping SMURFS. When your children were younger, did they (and you) benefit from the St Martin's Under Fives Playgroup (SMURF's) who meet on Friday morning in the Christian Centre? Or are you now a Grandparent with a couple of hours to spare on a Friday morning? If you are in a position to put something back by helping to keep this group running, please contact Michelle or Vicki in the Church Office (884229) who will put you in touch to find out more about what would be involved.

Advanced notice for Vaughan Williams Anniversary Weekend. This will be on 7th and 8th July, with a recital at noon and concert in church at 7.30pm on Saturday and a special Choral Evensong on Sunday.

News and Notices for the Weekly News Sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by the close of business on Wednesdays to smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

Those in our congregation who have long term concerns are named in our prayer corner and are prayed for regularly.

Please remember in your prayers:
Betty Scott, Sharon Carter Jenkins,
Wendy Wirgman.



PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWS SHEET HOME TO REFER TO

PRAYERS IN CHURCH
Morning Prayer will be said Monday to Thursday in the Lady Chapel at 8.45am.
Midday prayer is said on Friday at noon.
(Wednesday 11am Holy Communion)

**God welcomes everybody and
in His name SO DO WE!**



For details of many more events and contact numbers please see 'Activities' & 'Who's who' pages of St Martin's Magazine.

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WITH ST. MARY'S PIXHAM

Welcome, particularly if you are new or just visiting; it is lovely to have you with us, and do join us after the 10 o'clock service for coffee.

Sunday 13th May Sunday after Ascension

St. Martin's	
8.00am	Holy Communion President: David Cowan
10.00am	St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion President: David Cowan
St. Mary's	
10.30am	Morning Prayer Led by: Chris Watts
St Barnabas	
11.00am	No Service

This week

Monday	11.00am	Holy Communion for St Matthias
Tuesday	10.00am	Coffee Morning at St Barnabas
	2.30pm	Women's Fellowship, Quiz
	7.30pm	Julian Meeting
Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion
	8pm	PCC Meeting
Friday	10.00am	SMURFS in the Christian Centre
Saturday	10.00am	Christian Centre Coffee Morning

Sunday 20th May Pentecost

St Martin's	
8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion with Baptism
4.00pm	Family Service
St Mary's	
10.30am	Family Communion
St Barnabas	
11.00am	Holy Communion