

**HYMNS at St Martin's at 9.30 A and M, Carols**

<b>Indroit:</b>	<b>On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Gradual:</b>	<b>Creator of the stars of night</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Offertory:</b>	<b>Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Final:</b>	<b>While shepherds kept their watching</b>	<b>8</b>

**HYMNS at St Mary's at 9.30am MP**

<b>Hymn 1:</b>	<b>On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry</b>	<b>538</b>
<b>Hymn 2:</b>	<b>Holy, holy, holy is the Lord</b>	<b>239</b>
<b>Hymn 3:</b>	<b>Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord</b>	<b>631</b>
<b>Hymn 4:</b>	<b>Christ, whose glory fills the skies</b>	<b>79</b>

**HYMNS at St Barnabas at 11am NEH**

<b>Introductory:</b>	<b>On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Gradual:</b>	<b>Hark! A herald voice is calling</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Offertory:</b>	<b>Wake, O wake! with tidings thrilling</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Final:</b>	<b>Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord</b>	<b>186</b>

**Collect Prayer**

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
 who at your first coming sent your messenger  
 to prepare your way before you:  
 grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries  
 may likewise so prepare and make ready your way  
 by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of  
 the just,  
 that at your second coming to judge the world  
 we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;  
 for you are alive and reign with the Father  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.

**Old Testament Reading****Isaiah 35. 1 – 10****OT Pg: 689**

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,  
 the desert shall rejoice and blossom;  
 like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,  
 and rejoice with joy and singing.  
 The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,  
 the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.  
 They shall see the glory of the Lord,  
 the majesty of our God.  
 Strengthen the weak hands,  
 and make firm the feeble knees.  
 Say to those who are of a fearful heart,  
 'Be strong, do not fear!  
 Here is your God.  
 He will come with vengeance,  
 with terrible recompense.  
 He will come and save you.'  
 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
 and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
 then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
 and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.  
 For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
 and streams in the desert;  
 the burning sand shall become a pool,  
 and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
 the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,  
 the grass shall become reeds and rushes.  
 A highway shall be there,  
 and it shall be called the Holy Way;  
 the unclean shall not travel on it,  
 but it shall be for God's people;  
 no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.  
 No lion shall be there,

nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;  
 they shall not be found there,  
 but the redeemed shall walk there.  
 And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,  
 and come to Zion with singing;  
 everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
 they shall obtain joy and gladness,  
 and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

**New Testament Reading****James 5. 7 – 10****NT Pg: 248**

Be patient, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near.  
 Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

**Gospel Reading****Matthew 11. 2 - 11****NT Pg: 11**

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to Jesus, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'  
 As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written,  
 "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
 who will prepare your way before you."  
 Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.'

**Post Communion Prayer**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts;  
 kindle in us the fire of your Spirit  
 that when your Christ comes again  
 we may shine as lights before his face;  
 who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

**Events, News and Notices**

**Season of Generosity** - if you have yet to return your form, please do so - it is not too late. The new Parish Giving website is now available for new and amended donations

**Dorking Area Foodbank.** Requested donations of: tinned custard, conditioner, long-life milk, tinned meat, tinned meat meals for one and fruit juice.

**St Matthew Bible Study.** The group have now paused for the Christmas break. We will reconvene at the vicarage on Tuesday 6th January and resume the studies at Matthew 13-14.

Your **December** magazine is available in church.

As we are part of an eco-church and trying to obtain our silver badge, **bring your own cup for coffee after church**

**Christmas Cards produced by the Friends of St.**

**Martin's** are available to purchase. £1 each or 5 for £4 including envelopes. See sample at the back of church. To place an order email Andrew Dorman at [andrew.dorman@btinternet.com](mailto:andrew.dorman@btinternet.com) or call 01306 743587

**Coffee rota after church.** Thank you so much for those who have offered to serve coffee after church while Robina is unable to do it. 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!**

**We are collecting Christmas presents** for the children who have a mother in Send Prison. Any donations can be left in the Christian Centre or contact Anne Brown on 01306 884424 who will be happy to collect them.

**Donations of Christmas Presents** The Christian Centre are appealing for donations of Christmas Presents for their Christmas Day lunch guests. Please bring your donations into Janette before Monday 22nd December. Many thanks.

### PRAYERS

**Please remember in your prayers:** Susie May, Sandy Luff, Pauline Welton, Jacqueline Ko, Matthew Smith, Mary and Andrew Cowan.



**Please pray for those who have died.**

We pray for Alison Harding who died at home Sunday 23rd November. A memorial service for Alison will take place at St Martin's Church at 2.30pm on 18th December. We pray for Tim and his family at this time.

The funeral of Peter Bolitho will take place at Randalls Park Crematorium on 17th December at 9.30am

**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). December intention: Farnham and Godalming deaneries.

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

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

**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 14th December, Advent 3

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8am Holy Eucharist BCP

Celebrant and Preacher: Gerard Mee

9.30am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

4pm Evensong

Officiant: Anthony Rustell

### Wednesday 17th December

11.15am Holy Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

7.30pm David Swinson Choir Concert

### Friday 19th December

10am Wholeness and Healing Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

### Sunday 21st December, Advent 4

8am Holy Eucharist BCP

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

9.30am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

4pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Officiant: Anthony Rustell

**Morning Prayer** every weekday at 8.30am

**Evening Prayer** every weekday at 6pm

### St Mary's, Pixham:

#### Sunday 14th December

9.30am Morning Worship

Officiant and Preacher: Caroline Lazenby

#### Wednesday 17th December

7pm Carols by Candlelight

Officiant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

#### Sunday 21st December

9.30am Holy Eucharist with Carols

Officiant and Preacher: Caroline Lazenby

### St Barnabas, Ranmore:

#### Sunday 14th December

11am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

#### Saturday 20th December

3pm Nativity and Christingle

Officiant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

#### Sunday 21st December

11am Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

with The Whyte Effect

Officiant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell and  
Bishop Paul