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Collect Prayer

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

New Testament Reading

Acts 11. 1-18

NT Pg: 137

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

New Testament Reading

Revelation 21. 1-6

NT Pg: 280

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

Gospel Reading

John 13. 31-35

NT Pg: 116

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

News and Notices

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

The new parish electoral roll for St Martin's and St Mary's is now on display in both churches, for checking. Please let Elizabeth Dobson know of any errors or omissions before the APCM is held, on Sunday 18 May (emddh7@hotmail.com or via the church office).

Home Communion: if you are unwell and not able to get to church, or if you know of another member of the congregation who is not able to get to church, please let the parish office know, so that a member of the ministry team can visit and offer communion at home.

Everybody Welcome: during May and June we will be completing the Everybody Welcome church audit course on Sundays at St Martin's at 6pm after a short service of compline. This short and lively four part course is about thinking how our churches can be open and welcoming to the wider community. I encourage all members of our church congregations to attend, especially members of the PCC. The course will run on 18th May and 15th and 22nd June.

Julian Meeting. The next Julian Meeting will be on Tuesday 20th May at 5 Priory Close at 2.45pm. All welcome! For more information please ring Chris Watts (01306 640775)

Dorking Area Foodbank. This week we require the following items: black bin bags, shaving foam, jam, washing up liquid, 4 pack loo rolls and sugar.

Chamber Music Recital at St Martin's Church:
An exciting opportunity to hear more from a series of lunchtime recitals by Students of The Yehudi Menuhin School at 12 noon on 7th June. Entrance is free—retiring collection in aid of The William Cole Church Music Trust.

Date for your diary; St Martin's Church Summer Fair, Saturday 28th June 2025. Something for everyone.

Church Office opening times have changed: Church office opening hours are 10-1pm on 2 days a week (Monday and Friday). At all other times, please email the church office on smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call and leave a voice message on the church office telephone: 01306 884229.

Weekly News Sheet Content needs to be submitted to Vicki for the news sheet by TUESDAY afternoon for inclusion in the next issue: by email to smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or by phone 01306 884229.

Church of England Daily Hope Line: Weekly Service, Morning and Evening Prayers and Sleep Well Bible Reflections: 0800 804 8044

Where to find us:

X - @spireofdorking

Facebook - St Martin's Dorking

ACNY - A Church Near You

Please remember in your prayers: Revd. Martyn Farrant, Sue Hall, Pauline Welton, Mary and Andrew Cowan and June Rainger.



Please pray for those who have died. Charlie Smith

Those in our congregation who have long term concerns are prayed for regularly.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers.

Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week, this week for the United Reformed Church.

Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In May we pray for the deaneries of Runnymede and Woking.

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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 today and do join us for a coffee after the service.

Sunday 18th May Easter 5

St Martin's

Sunday 18th May, Easter 5

Holy Eucharist BCP @ 8am

Sung Eucharist @ 9.30am *

Followed by The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Compline & Everybody Welcome @ 6pm

Wednesday 21st May

Holy Eucharist @ 11.15am*

Friday 23rd May

Wholeness and Healing service @ 11.15am

Sunday 25th May, Easter 6

Rogation Sunday

Holy Eucharist BCP @ 8am

Sung Eucharist @ 9.30am *

Morning Prayer is said every weekday morning at 8.30am in the Lady Chapel

Evening Prayer is said every weekday evening at 5pm in the Lady Chapel

St Mary's

Sunday 18th May

Eucharist @ 9.30am *

Sunday 25th May

Morning Worship @ 9.30am *

St Barnabas

Sunday 18th May

Sung Eucharist @ 11am

Thursday 22nd May

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting @ 12pm

Sunday 25th May

Sung Eucharist @ 11am

** Please note the new service times*

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