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## Collect Prayer

Almighty God,  
 whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
 and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
 give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
 and, as you know our weakness,  
 so may we know your power to save;  
 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 Genesis 2. 15 – 17, 3. 1-7 OT Pg: 2

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.  
 And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'  
 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

## New Testament Reading Romans 5. 12 - 19 NT Pg: 166

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned – sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.  
 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely

have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification.

If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one person's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

## Gospel Reading Matthew 4. 1 - 11 NT Pg:3

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."' Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,  
 you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;  
 by it you nourish our faith,  
 increase our hope,  
 and strengthen our love:  
 teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,  
 and enable us to live by every word  
 that proceeds from out of your mouth;  
 through 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!**

## St Martin's Institute

St Martin's Institutes Dates for the diary: **22<sup>nd</sup> March** Modern Day Slavery seminar; **26<sup>th</sup> April** Discovering and understanding Anglican traditions seminar.

**Day of Prayer for Bishop Andrew in Guildford Cathedral on Monday 23 February** from 12 noon to 10.00pm. All are welcome and encouraged to join us at any stage during the day for as long as you are able to stay. There will be opportunity for silent prayer, to pray with others, or to light a candle.

We will be running the **caring for creation York Course during Lent** <https://spckpublishing.co.uk/caring-for-creation>. It will take place at 7.30pm at the vicarage every Wednesday in Lent after Ash Wednesday. If you would like the course booklet to take part, please let Anthony or the office know.

**St Matthew Bible Study** at the vicarage on Tuesdays recommences on 21<sup>st</sup> April.

**Dorking Area Foodbank.** Requested donations of: jam, pasta sauce, fruit juice from concentrate, conditioner, flour and tinned vegetables.

**Thank you to those who are bringing their own cups** on Sundays. It is a great help! We are having to buy extra cups as our numbers grow - (how wonderful is that!). **However it would be good if we became a congregation who brought their own cups!**

**Study sessions in the Christian Centre**, on *The Bible's Beautiful Strangeness*, begin on Thursday 5 March, 10.30am. Everyone welcome; for more information contact Elizabeth Dobson.

**The next games afternoon** in the Christian Centre Cafe is Saturday 7 March, 2-5 pm.

**For more information on events, or for the "Who's Who" page, please see page 23 of the Parish Magazine.**

## PRAYERS

**Please remember in your prayers:** + Andrew, Bishop of Guildford, also + Paul and all in Diocesan House, Dick Gover, Pauline Welton, Jacqueline Ko, Matthew Smith, Mary and Andrew Cowan.

**Please pray for those who have died.** Margaret Musgrave and Nigel Ogden.



**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). February intention: Guildford and Guildford and Surrey Heath 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 [smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@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 22nd February, Lent 1

8am Holy Eucharist BCP

Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

9.30am Sung Eucharist, joint parish service  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell and Gerard Mee

6pm Stations of the Cross  
Officiant: Anthony Rustell

### Wednesday 25th February

11.15am Holy Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

### Friday 27th February

10am Wholeness and Healing Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

### Sunday 1st March, Lent 2

8am Holy Eucharist BCP  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

9.30am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

6pm Choral Evensong for St David's Day  
Officiant: Anthony Rustell

**Morning Prayer** every weekday at 8.30am  
**Evening Prayer** every weekday at 6pm

### St Mary's, Pixham:

#### Sunday 22nd February

9.30am Joint service at St Martin's

#### Sunday 1st March

9.30am Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: Barbara Steadman-Allen

### St Barnabas, Ranmore:

#### Sunday 22nd February

11am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant and Preacher: Anthony Rustell

#### Sunday 1st March

11am Matins  
Officiant and Preacher: Chris Watts

Forthcoming Ranmore Choral services:  
**15<sup>th</sup> March 11am** Choral Eucharist at St Barnabas for Mothering Sunday

### 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