#### **Collect Prayer**

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal, 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.

## New Testament Reading Colossians 3: 12-17 NT Pg: 216

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body.

And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## Gospel Reading John 19: 25b-27 NT Pg: 122

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.'

Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

#### **News and Notices**

Musical Friends. A singing group at the Dorking Christian Centre. Usually on 1st and 3rd Friday of the month, 10.30am to 12pm. £4 per person including refreshments at 10.30pm followed by singing from 11am.

No singing experience needed, just come along and have fun, make friends, sing along to well known and popular songs, with all the words provided. Everyone is welcome, including those with dementia with their carers, the bereaved and anyone wishing to boost mental health. Call 01306 886830 for more information.

#### **Good Friday Choir**

Singers from churches across Dorking are invited to join a United Choir to sing at the United Service in St Martin's Churchyard at 11:30am on Good Friday (Friday 29 March). Rehearsal in St Martin's Church at 10am (time tbc). Please contact Helena, choir@stpaulsdorking.org.uk for more information.

St Martin's Lent Course, running from 2-3pm, Next dates: 15th and 22nd March, held in the Christian Centre. Course leader is Revd Barbara Steadman-Allen and the course looks at: Handel's Messiah: The unfolding story of God's rescue plan (we're not performing it...)
"Come unto me" (Matthew 11:28-29)
"Hallelujah!" (Revelation 11:15; 19:6, 16).

Following the section 11 meeting, Felicity Cheetham and Judy Peace are the chosen representatives from St Martins together with Robin Luff and Sandra Skelt from St Barnabas to be on the interview panel for new priest in charge.

Flower Arrangers Needed: would anyone be happy to produce a pedestal arrangement of flowers for church once a year? Please contact Sandy Hine on 889807 if you can offer help on the flower rota. Many thanks.

Plant Sale, Saturday 27th April The Christian Centre is hosting this very successful annual event again and would appreciate any donations of plants, cakes etc. Please start growing your seeds and cuttings!

Chicken and Eggs. We have some lovely chickens with chocolate eggs which would make beautiful little Easter presents for children. There will be some in a basket at the back of church if you would like to make a donation for them.

I am pleased to report that we have final approval both from Surrey Police and Surrey Safety
Advisory Group for this year's Walk of Witness to take place from Medwyn Surgery to St Martin's Churchyard on Good Friday. We will assemble by 10.40am and plan to leave after Prayers by 10.55am. The Procession will keep to the pavement at all times and we will cross by Specsavers using the pedestrian lights. I urgently require Stewards and would ask that they meet me at 10.30am outside Medway Surgery for a formal briefing. Any queries – do please contact me canonpeterbruinvels@talk21.com, 07721 411 688 Thank you so much, Canon Peter.

This will be followed by **Churches Together in Dorking service** in the churchyard at 11.30am. Refreshments and hot cross buns will be served afterwards in the Christian Centre.

**St Martin's Magazine:** The March issue is available at the back of church. If you have stories or news to share in future issues, please contact Christine Francis on 01306 889617.

**Dorking Area Foodbank:** Thank you for your support. This week we would like to receive donations of:- jars of pasta sauce, long-life fruit juice 1L cartons, tinned custard, long-life sponge pudding, twin packs, tinned veg (carrots, peas, sweetcorn, mixed veg. etc.) and tinned fruit. For info: https://dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

**Verger Vacancy!** St Martin's Church are looking to find a new Verger to occasionally help at Funeral services. This will include renumeration. If you are interested, or have any questions about what the role entails, please speak to a Churchwarden or the Church office on 01306 884229.

Church Flowers: The ladies in our church flower team are appealing for donations of realistic and attractive artificial flowers to help put together some floral displays throughout the year in church. This has come about due to the large increase in the cost of fresh flowers in recent times. Going forward, we will be looking to use both fresh and artificial arrangements to decorate the church. If you have donations, please leave them in the bell tower in the flower box provided. Thank-you.

Weekly News Sheet. "News and Notices" and all articles for the next issue of the church news sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by Wednesday afternoon for inclusion in the next issue: stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or by phone on 01306 884229.

Church of England Daily Hope Line—includes a Weekly Service, Morning and Evening Prayers and Sleep-Well Bible Reflections: Tel 0800 804 8044.

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

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

Please remember in your prayers...

Mary, David and Andrew Cowan, Nicholas Grealy, Allan Tapley, Pauline Welton, Henry Haire, Gay Fraser, Denis Pitkeathly.

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

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 we pray for St James Abinger with Coldharbour.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In March we pray for the Dorking and Emly Deaneries.

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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 10th March Mothering Sunday

Holy Communion @ 8am Worship @ 10am

**Wednesday 13th March** 

Holy Communion @ 11am BCP Mother's Union Corporate Communion

**Thursday 14th March** 

PCC meeting in The Lady Chapel at 7.30pm

**Friday 15th March** 

Lent course @ 2pm in The Christian Centre

> Sunday 17th March Passion Sunday

Holy Communion @ 10am

<u>St Mary's</u> Sunday 10th March Morning Prayer @10.30am

**Sunday 17th March** Morning Worship @10.30am

St Barnabas

**Sunday 10th March** 

Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday @ 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm tbc (Contact robinluff@btinternet.com to join)

**Sunday 17th March** 

Evening Prayer via Zoom tbc (Contact robinluff@btinternet.com to join)

God welcomes everybody and in His name SO DO WE!

