

Collect

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.

New Testament Reading

Acts 4.32-35

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

New Testament Reading

1 John 1.1 – 2.2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us – we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Gospel Reading:

John 20.19-31

When it was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'
After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

News

A very big "Thank You" to everyone who helped decorate the church for Easter. It looked beautiful and it was encouraging that we had a good number at the Easter Communion service. Veronica.

Can you spare some time to help? As lockdown restrictions have started to ease, we are finding more of the community would like to visit the church for prayer and reflection. We need extra pairs of hands to welcome visitors into church, mainly to ensure hand sanitizer and face coverings are being used. If you have a small window of time on a Wednesday or Saturday morning (9.30-10.45am or 10.45-12pm - 2 greeters are needed per shift), please contact Judy Peace, 883002 or the Church Office, 884229. Your help would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

The Christian Centre. We are looking forward to welcoming you back to the Centre as soon as we are able to. In the meantime, we continue to offer takeaway lunches Mon-Fri 12-1pm. From 17 May we can re-open our café, and from 21 June we hope to be fully open with all activities resumed. Please note, these dates and regulations are subject to review by Government. For more info contact the Centre on 886830 9am-2pm or email: centremanager@dorkingchristiancentre.org.uk

The April Magazine is available at the back of church. If you know anyone who is unable to access previous issues and would like a copy we can print them at the church office. Let me know if you have stories, photographs or articles for future issues. Christine 889617.

Christian Centre Plant Sale. The annual plant sale is on Saturday 1st May 10am-12pm, with social distancing in place. Donations of plants and items for the tombola gratefully received the week before.

Traidcraft. I am happy to take orders and deliver in Dorking. Elizabeth - 881479, emddh7@hotmail.com

Dorking Foodbank: Donation points in supermarkets and Christian Centre remain in place. This week we particularly need donations of : Tinned Soup, Loo Roll 4 Packs, Vegetarian Meals for one, Adult Toothbrushes.

Private Prayer: Church continues to be open on Wednesday and Saturday mornings 9.30-12pm.

St Martin's APCM will take place in church after the 10am service on Sunday 30th May.

News and Notices for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet need to be submitted by the close of business on Wednesday. Please email:

stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call 884229. Messages are picked up regularly.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers. Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we are praying for St Barnabas Ranmore.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is now available at <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer> . In April we pray for Epsom and Leatherhead.

Please remember in your prayers: Sandra Lowry, Tony and Betty Hall. Pam Toler, John Ivings, Colin Mills, Rev'd Dr Malcolm Rothwell, James Bascoe, Steve Parker, Barry and Rosie Pegrarn.

Please pray for those who have recently died: HRH, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Catherine Cunningham Tucker, John Oborn.



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

John Oborn's Funeral. John Oborn's funeral is on Tuesday 20th April at 11.45am. There is a weblink which can be used by anyone who would like to see the funeral online. Please access it by clicking on the following link and using the login and password below. The link will remain open for a week after the funeral.

<https://www.wesleymedia.co.uk/webcast-view>

Login / Order ID: 87082 Password: bwhbjnt

Being corporate at a distance. Whether you have a radio or the latest smartphone, find something for you:

Our Sunday Service will be available to view via this link on our "Spire of Dorking" YouTube Channel from 10am. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuzOsRDiIRJE8Y3Zjr3fj0g>

Your 9am Daily Prayer Click on this link: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer> Scroll down and click on the green Morning Prayer box.

BBC Radio 3 Choral Evensong. Wednesday 3.30pm or Sunday at 3pm.

Sunday Worship on BBC Radio 4 at 8.10am.

TV: Sunday Worship on BBC One at 11.15am and **Songs of Praise** on BBC One at 1.15pm.

Church of England Daily Hope. Free phone line with hymns, reflections and prayers: 0800 804 8044.

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WITH ST. MARY'S PIXHAM

"It is with great sadness that the wardens and I have learned of the news from Buckingham Palace of the death of His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

Prince Philip has provided huge service to our Nation and the Commonwealth throughout my life and longer, both on his own account and in his unswerving support of Her Majesty the Queen through the many joys and challenges of the past seven decades.

Our thoughts and prayers today are with Her Majesty the Queen and members of the Royal Family, that they might know the presence of the living God as they mourn his loss. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

The Reverend Derek Tighe"

The national guidelines prevent us from using a paper Book of Condolence, however you can send your messages of condolence via 2 online links below.

Church of England- <https://www.churchofengland.org/>

Or

Royal Website - <https://www.royal.uk/>

Sunday 11th April Easter 2

Services at St Martin's

**Sunday 11th April @ 10am
Holy Communion Easter 2**

**Sunday 18th April @ 10am
Holy Communion Easter 3**

Private Prayer at St Martin's

Wednesday 14th April - 9.30-12pm

Saturday 17th April - 9.30-12pm

Services at St Mary's Pixham

**Sunday 11th April @ 10.30am
Morning Prayer**

**Sunday 18th April @ 10.30am
Pixham Praise and Holy Communion**

St Barnabas Services on Zoom

If you are not currently on the list of people invited to St Barnabas Zoom services, but would like to be, contact:

chris@candvwatts.co.uk

**Sunday 11th April @ 11am
Matins**

No Service on 18th April