

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 32. 22-31

OT Pg: 32

Jacob got up, took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 3. 14 - 4.5

NT Pg: 228

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18. 1-8

NT Pg: 86

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent."

For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

News

Lighting Works at St Martin's Church.

Our lighting project starts on Monday 17th October. The main body of the church will be closed during the week, however the Lady Chapel will be open (use the South side door along from the main entrance) for private prayer and for the 11am Wednesday Holy Communion services. The main body of the church will be open on Saturdays and Sundays, for services and concerts to take place as normal. The works will be completed by 25th November. Please take note of any cordons in place within the church. Opening and closing times remain the same 9.30-4pm every day. Thank you.

Julian Meeting - Tuesday 18th October @ 2.30pm, 5 Priory Close.

Mothers' Union are collecting items for the Women's Refuges they support. If you would like a list of what is needed, please contact Veronica (640775).

The Traidcraft autumn/Christmas collection has arrived and can be viewed at traidcraftshop.co.uk (no printed catalogue this season). If you then place your order with me, there will be no charge for delivery. In particular I would like to have any orders for Advent calendars or Christmas cards by 20 October if possible. Elizabeth Dobson (emddh7@hotmail.com, 881479)

There will be a short service of prayer for Christian healing led by the Chaplain of the Dorking Christian Centre in the Small Hall at 11am on Tuesday 25th October. This is a gentle and comforting service and there will be opportunities to bring a note of names of people struggling in any way that they can be brought before God. All are warmly welcome to attend. This service has been arranged following consultation with St Martin's Church pastoral committee.

Remembering with Thanksgiving Service on 30th October at 2.45pm. The book of remembrance is at the back of church for you to add the name(s) of loved ones which will be read out at the service. If you would like, please bring along a single flower on the day to add to a flower arrangement.

To mark the very sad passing of our Queen Elizabeth, as a gesture of remembrance and respect, we are making a final call for more of our readers stories, memories or thoughts regarding The Queen - these will go in the November Magazine edition. Did you or a member of family meet her? This could be anonymous if requested. Please contact Christine Francis as soon as possible: 01306 889617, kikronfran@aol.com

Dorking Area Foodbank. We are extremely grateful for all donations we receive and could not function without them. It would help us greatly if donations are checked first to make sure they are suitable for us to use (e.g. in date/non-perishable). This week we would like to receive: Jars of Jam, Chocolate bars, Long-life Fruit Juice, Tinned Meat, Bottles of Squash, Tinned potatoes.

Please send "News and Notices" for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet to: smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call 884229. If received by the close of business on Wednesday it will be included in the next issue.

Church of England Daily Hope. A free phone line with hymns, songs of the faith, weekly church service, morning and evening prayers, Mothers' Union prayers, prayers for Ukraine and chair exercises: 0800 804 8044.

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

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

Please remember in your prayers:

John Chapman, Sandra Lowry, Chris Elsey, Isobel and Renate MacLennan and their brother Peter, Michael Light, Patricia Smith, Peter Greene, Mimi Baines.

Please pray for those who have died:

Tess Brookman.

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 John's North Holmwood.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In October we pray for Epsom and Leatherhead deaneries.

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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 16th
October
Trinity 18**

St Martin's

Sunday 16th October

Holy Communion @ 10am

Monday 17th October

Start of lighting work

(Please use Lady Chapel door on weekdays)

Wednesday 19th October

Holy Communion @ 11am in the Lady Chapel

Sunday 23rd October

Holy Communion @ 10am

St Mary's

Sunday 16th October

Pixham Praise @ 10.30am

Sunday 23rd October

Songs of Praise @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 16th October

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm

Saturday 22nd October

Wedding @ 2pm

Jonathan Cave and Melissa Cave

Sunday 23rd October

Matins @ 11am

Collect

God our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in
your love, that we may live each day with
confidence in the salvation which is given through
Jesus Christ our Lord.