#### **Old Testament Readings**

**Genesis 18. 1-10a OT Page: 14** 

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to Abraham, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.

### New Testament Reading Colossians 1. 15-28 NT Page: 214

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him – provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church.

I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

# Gospel Reading Luke 10. 38-42

NT Page: 77

Now as Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

#### News

**Dorking Area Foodbank** - Thank you for your continued generosity. Items we are particularly short of this week are: Sponge pudding twin packs, Tinned potatoes, Multipacks of muesli bars, Tinned fruit, Bars of chocolate, 1.5kg bags of flour.

The Community Wardrobe has been set up to prevent clothing from going into landfill and to prolong the life cycle of each item. We are in The Christian Centre on most Fridays from 10.00am-1.00pm and 3.30pm-5.00pm. Keep an eye on social media for updates and changes to opening times (Facebook "The Community Wardrobe"). We look forward to seeing you there. Thanks, Michelle Winstone and Carolyn Cook, Directors, The Community Wardrobe.

Are you currently exploring or considering ordained ministry in the Church of England then join a vocational retreat at St. Columbas House, Woking 14th-16th October led by The Revd Haydon Wilcox. Contact: admin@stcolumbashouse.org.uk or ring 01483 766498 for more details.

# Please send "News and Notices" for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet to:

stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call 884229. If received by the close of business on Wednesday it will be included in the next issue.

The next Choral Evensong will be on Sunday 11th September for Heritage Weekend.

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

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

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## God welcomes everybody and in His name SO DO WE!



#### Please remember in your prayers:

Michael Light, Patricia Smith, Billy Yates, Peter Greene, Mimi Baines, Valerie Pritchard and the family of Maurice.

# Please pray for those who have died:

Peter Watson, Maurice.

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

Led morning prayer will be said Monday to Thursday at 9am in the Lady Chapel this week.

#### **Churches Together in Dorking Prayers.**

Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we pray for Christians Against Poverty.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/ about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In July we pray for the deaneries of Aldershot and Cranleigh.

# st martin's dorking

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.



# St Martin's

#### **Sunday 17th July**

Holy Communion @ 10am

#### **Wednesday 20th July**

Holy Communion @ 11am

#### Saturday 23rd July

Wedding of Thomas Short and Sophie Dunnell @ 12.30pm

#### **Sunday 24th July**

Holy Communion @ 10am Baptism @ 12.30pm

# St Mary's

#### **Sunday 17th July**

Pixham Praise and Holy Communion @ 10.30am

#### **Sunday 24th July**

Songs of Praise @ 10.30am

# St Barnabas

# **Sunday 17th July**

Compline @ 8pm

#### **Sunday 24th July**

Matins @ 11am

#### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.