## Old Testament Reading Exodus 24, 12-18

**OT Pg: 75** 

The LORD said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

# New Testament Reading 2 Peter 1. 16-21

NT Pg: 254

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

# Gospel Reading Matthew 17.1-9

NT Pg: 19

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.'

And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

#### **News and Notices**

#### Lent Course/Group in the Christian Centre

Lent offers a valuable time to reflect on our lives and how we can best serve God and one another. As Chaplain of the Dorking Christian Centre, I will be providing a short but hopefully meaningful time of Lent study and discussion on the Thursday mornings of Lent. We will gather in the right hand upper room of the Christian Centre on 23rd February and conclude on 30th March allowing people to mark Holy Week in other ways. They will begin at 11am and finish by 11.50am to allow people to take lunch in the café should they wish to. I hope you will consider coming and sharing in what should be positive times of finding strength from our faith. Rev David Pitkeathly.

**St Barnabas Lent Quiet Morning** - 1st March. Led by Rev'd Iain McKillop, who is bringing some of his very powerful art for us view and reflect on.

It starts at 9.30am with coffee and then a Eucharist at 10am when Iain will start his reflections. We will consider Jesus' prayers on the night before he died, and their meaning for our relationship with God and one another in the Body of Christ. Refreshments during the morning, BYO lunch and the session will end at 2pm with a blessing. To express interest please email Revd Caroline Lazenby at clazenby@stjnh.org.uk

Church Flowers: The lovely 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. Thank-you.

Musical Friends. A new singing group at the Dorking Christian Centre. Starting on 3rd March, 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 welcome, including those with dementia with their carers, the bereaved and anyone wishing to boost mental health.

Advanced notice: Good Friday Come & Sing - Stainer Crucifixion in support of St. Catherine's hospice, 1.30pm Registration for singers, 7pm Performance - free admission for audience with retiring collection. Enquiries to Stephen 07770 392067.

Date for your diary: PLANT AND CAKE SALE. Sat 22nd April @ Dorking Christian Centre 10-12pm. Coffee, Tea, Books, CD's DVD's, Tombola.

The flower team are hoping to create floral arrangements specifically dedicated in memoriam to family members or friends we have lost. If you would like to sponsor one of these fresh flower arrangements at some point through this year (at a cost of £30), please let the church office know who the flowers are to be in memory of, and the date you would like them displayed, and this will be incorporated into the flower arranging schedule. The dedicated flower arrangement will be on display in church for 2 weeks.

Dorking Area Foodbank. Thank you for your support. Suggested items for this week are: Loo roll 4 packs, 1 Litre cartons of UHT milk, Jars of instant coffee, Tinned potatoes, 1 Litre cartons of long-life fruit juice, Sponge pudding long-life twin packs.

**Church Donations:** We have facilities for contactless donations available in church, please see a sidesperson or duty warden to make your donation. Many thanks.

Weekly News Sheet. "News and Notices" and all articles for the next issue of the church news sheet are to be forwarded to me by no later than Wednesday evening, or call Vicki on 01306 884229 or email stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

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Church of England Daily Hope: 0800 804 8044.

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: Henry Haire, Rev'd David Eaton, Ann Austin, Ros Bonsey, Chris Elsey, Sylvia Pelham, Peter MacLennan.

Please pray for those who have died: Michael Norrington.

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

Please pray for the family and friends of Emma, George and Lettie Pattison after the their tragic deaths. Please also pray for Revd. Andrew Haviland who is Chaplain at Epsom College and who used to worship at St. Martin's and sing in the choir.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers. Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we pray for Pentecostal Church of Christ.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/ calendar-of-prayer. In February we pray for deaneries of Guildford and Surrey Heath.



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 19th February** Holy Communion @ 10am

## Wednesday 22nd February

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion with Ashing @ 11am and 8pm

> **Sunday 26th February** Holy Communion @ 10am

# St Mary's

### **Sunday 19th February**

Pixham Praise and Holy Communion @ 10.30am

#### **Sunday 26th February**

Songs of Praise @ 10.30am

# St Barnabas

### **Sunday 19th February**

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm (Email: robinluff@btinternet.com to be included)

#### Wednesday 22nd February

Ash Wednesday with Ashing @ 2.30pm

### **Sunday 26th February**

Matins at 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm (Email: robinluff@btinternet.com to be included)

#### Collect

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.