

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 2. 1-10

OT Pg: 52

A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because,' she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

New Testament Reading

John 19. 25-30

NT Pg: 122

And that is what the soldiers did. 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. After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfil the scripture), 'I am thirsty.' A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Dorking St Martin's PCC wish to appoint a Governor to St Martin's VC School, Dorking. Enthusiasm, Commitment and being a Team Player would be welcome. If you are interested or have any questions please contact: Canon Peter Bruinvels on: 07721 411688. There is also an opportunity to visit the school to chat through what 'being a School Governor' entails!

News and Notices

This coming Sunday service at 8.10am on BBC Radio 4 will come from Guildford Cathedral, and is on the theme of 'Forgive us our Trespasses'. The service is led by Canon Gilly Myers, and the preacher is Bishop Andrew.

Lent Group in the Christian Centre. Lent study and discussion on the Thursday mornings of Lent. Gathering in the right hand upper room of the Centre concluding on 30th March allowing people to mark Holy Week in other ways. Starts at 11am and finishes 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 this positive time of finding strength from our faith. Rev David Pitkeathly.

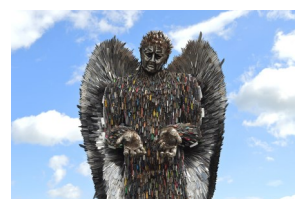
Musical Friends. A new singing group at the Dorking Christian Centre. Usually on 1st and 3rd Friday of the month, 10.30am to 12pm. £4 per person including refreshments at 10.30pm followed by singing from 11am. No singing experience needed, just come along and have fun, make friends, sing along to well known and popular songs, with all the words provided. Everyone welcome, including those with dementia with their carers, the bereaved and anyone wishing to boost mental health. **(Next one is moved to 31st March due to Good Friday, and then after that on 21st April)**

Short Service of prayer for healing being held every 4th Tuesday in the small hall of the Christian Centre at 11am. (Next one is 28th March). All are welcome to join. Rev'd David Pitkeathly.

Advanced warning from St Barnabas:- Please put our very special event for Easter - Tenebrae - in your diaries. This will take place in church on Wednesday 5th April at 7.00 pm followed by refreshments.

Advanced notice: Good Friday Come & Sing at St Martin's (7th April) -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 Hope on: 07770392067.

SEND Easter Eggs. We are again collecting Easter Eggs for the children who have a mother in Send Prison. Special family days are arranged over the Easter holidays where the children can spend the day with their mother and have an Easter Egg to make it an extra special occasion. Please leave any eggs in the Church Office or contact Anne Brown on 01306 884424 who is happy to collect them from your home.



The thought provoking anti-violence "**Knife Angel**" Monument is on display at Guildford Cathedral until the 30th March.

Date for your diary: PLANT AND CAKE SALE. Sat 22nd April @ Dorking Christian Centre 10-12pm.

In Memoriam Flowers. The flower team are able 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.

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

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.

Dorking Area Foodbank. Thank you for your support. Suggested items for this week are: Washing up liquid, Jam, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned meat, Tinned fruit, 1kg rice.

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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Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

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

Please remember in your prayers:

Henry Haire, Ros Bonsey, Louise Dorrington, Pauline Welton, Chris Elsey, Peter MacLennan.



Please pray for those who have died:

Elsbeth Gover.

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 deaneries of Dorking and Emly.

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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 19th March Mothering Sunday Lent 4

St Martin's

Sunday 19th March

Holy Communion BCP @ 8am

Mothering Sunday Service @ 10am

Wednesday 22nd March

Holy Communion @ 11am

Saturday 25th March

Recital - Mike Stewart @ 12pm

Sunday 26th March

Holy Communion @ 10am

Baptism of Harley @ 12.45pm

St Mary's

Sunday 19th March

Joint Mothering Sunday Service at St Martin's @ 10am

Sunday 26th March

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 19th March

Holy Communion BCP for Mothering Sunday @ 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm

(Email: robinluff@btinternet.com to be included)

Sunday 26th March

No Morning Service

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm

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Collect

Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.