Collect, Special Prayer for today

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

New Testament Reading Acts 11. 1-18 NT Pg: 139

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

Gospel Reading John 13.31-35

NT Pg: 116

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

News

The Family at 4pm Service

is <u>today</u> at St Martin's and every 3rd Sunday of the month. Everyone welcome, we hope to see you there!



Ascension Day Benefice

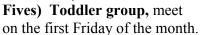
Communion Service, at St Mary's Pixham on Thursday 30th May at 8pm. Refreshments from 7.30pm.

Pentecost Sunday 9th June. The congregations of each of the three churches in our United Benefice are all warmly invited to a special Service to be held at St Barnabas Church, Ranmore on Sunday 9 June at 11am. (Apart from the 8am service of Holy Communion at St Martins, there will be no other morning services in the benefice). This special Service will celebrate the Feasts of Pentecost and St Barnabas, as well as commemorating the Centenary of the dedication of the Cubitt Memorial Chapel. This BCP service of Holy Communion will be presided over by the Rt Revd Christopher Herbert, who is an Hon. Asst. Bishop in the Dioceses of Guildford, Winchester and Salisbury. We are also pleased to have the renowned trumpeter Crispian Steele-Perkins and Martin Hall who will play on the organ, together with a specially augmented combined benefice choir. Music features strongly in this Service, including the sounding of the Last Post and Reveille as part of the re-dedication of the Cubitt Memorial Chapel. After the service, refreshments will be provided in a Marquee in the New Churchvard. We are expecting a considerable number of people to attend this important service, but we would like to ensure that there is enough reserved seating for those of our regular congregations who wish to attend. If you would like to attend this service, would you therefore please either (i) complete the sign-up sheet at the back of Church, or (ii) inform the Churchwardens of your intention to come, and whether you need or can offer a lift. We are asking that all regular members of our congregations who wish to attend are seated by 10.45am, to allow time for the various dignitaries to arrive and be seated. We look forward to welcoming you to this special Service on Sunday 9 June. Further details of the service will be in the June Magazine.

Fortnightly Bible Reading Sessions at 5 Tutts Close, 2pm, with tea or coffee beforehand at 1.45pm. **Next dates are 27th May,** 10th June and 24th June. We will be reading and discussing Paul's letter to the Philippians. All welcome. Bring your favourite bible translation as we consider what this letter means for us today. Contact Diana 01306 881291.

The Traidcraft Stall is at Pixham on 26th May and 2nd June at St Martin's.

SMURFS (St Martin's Under





The group is friendly and welcoming and love new visitors. Please bring your little ones along to the next meeting, **Friday 7th June**.

Music at Midday - "Tell me the truth about love", Saturday 1st June at St Martin's. Harriet Roberts, Mezzo Soprano, Richard Roberts, Bass-Baritone, John Cuthbert, Piano. All welcome.

Climate Emergency. An open meeting to focus on how the churches and our local representatives -MVDC & Surrey Councillors, MP - are responding. Wednesday 5th June 2019 7.30pm, St Paul's Dorking. All welcome to come along. This meeting is organised by Dorking Deanery Synod. Contact (Rev'd) Alan Jonas, Area Dean for more information alchasjonas@aol.com 01306 644868.

Thy Kingdom Come Guildford Beacon event.

Sunday 9th June from 4pm onwards. This event is back featuring speaker Pete Greig, contemporary worship, prayer vigil plus pic-nic and outside activities. For more details go to: www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/thy-kingdom-come

CTD Shared Services are booked for:- 30th June, 6.30pm at St Paul's 29th September, 6pm at the Friends' Meeting House.

Dorking Foodbank. This week we need the following items: Twin-packed Sponge Puddings, Sugar, Baked Beans and Washing Up Liquid. The donation point is in the Christian Centre lobby area.

News and Notices for the Weekly News Sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by the close of business on Wednesdays to stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

Those in our congregation who have long term concerns are named in our prayer corner and are prayed for regularly.

Please remember in your prayers:

Paul Berning, Audrey Timmins, Phyllis Russell, Brian and Betty Smith, Mike Stewart, Gay Fraser, Steve Parker, Eleanor Jones, Nicola Carnegie-Floyd.



And those who have recently died: Beverley Woollard, Mary Stopes-Roe.

PRAYERS IN CHURCH Morning Prayer is at 9am in the Lady Chapel Monday to Thursday. Midday Prayer in the Lady Chapel on Friday.

> PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWS SHEET HOME TO REFER TO

St martin's DORKING

Welcome, particularly if you are new or just visiting; it is lovely to have you with us, and do join us after the 10 o'clock service for coffee.

Sunday 19th May Easter 5

St. Martin's

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Holy Communion (BCP) President: Derek Tighe		
St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion President: Derek Tighe		
Baptism of Felix Jones		
St Martin's Family Service		
Pixham Praise with Holy Communion President: David Cowan		

St Barnabas No Service

This Week

Tuesday	10.00am Coffee Morning at St Barnabas	
	2.30pm	Women's Fellowship Diana Burges Hymns
	7.15pm	Julian Meeting
Wednesday	11.00an	1 Holy Communion
Saturday	10.00am	Climate Emergency Café Coffee Morning

Sunday 26th May Easter 6

St Martin's 8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am	St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion
St Mary's 10.00am	Rise and Shine
St Barnabas 11.00am	Matins

For details of many more events and contact numbers please see 'Activities' & 'Who's who' pages of St Martin's Magazine.