

He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.'

New Testament Reading (Pixham) **Ephesians 4.1-16**

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended,' what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry,

for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Gospel Reading (Pixham) **John 6.24-35**

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were at the place where Jesus had given the bread, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

News

Barry Pegram's Funeral Details. All our friends at St Martins are warmly invited to join us at the funeral on 13th August at 2pm, and afterwards at the Burford Bridge Hotel. I would be very glad to know if you are coming to either - or both - for numbers. There could well be a change in the Government's plans before the 13th. I am very grateful indeed for the love and warm support you have all given me. Rosie x

The Traidcraft stall will be at St Martin's on Sunday 8 August. Elizabeth - 881479, emddh7@hotmail.com

News and Notices for the Weekly News Sheet for the next 3 Sunday's (8th, 15th 22nd August) are to be submitted by the close of business on Wednesday to Christine Francis at kikronfran@aol.com or they will not be included.

The prospect of the lifting of legal restrictions will be both a relief and a cause of anxiety. It is likely that significant guidance will remain in place. The CofE nationally is seeking further clarification through the Government's Places of Worship Taskforce on a range of areas affecting public worship and places of worship. We will review our plans and guidance as soon as more information is published.

Big questions with Archbishop Welby in Dorking on Saturday 25th September.

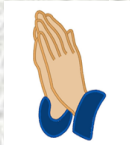
Booking is now open for eleven Big Questions events across the diocese to which you can hear Archbishop Justin respond to questions from the public and speak on how to find hope in uncertain times. Guests can book places to come on their own. Archbishop Justin will be at the Dorking Halls on Saturday 25th September at 11.30am. Tickets are free but you need to book on www.BigQuestions-Dorking.eventbrite.co.uk

Dorking Foodbank: we are experiencing a huge demand on our supplies just now and are forever grateful for all that you donate. The items we would like to focus on this week are: Tinned vegetables, Baked beans, Tinned soup, Long-life cartons of fruit juice, Tins of meat, Fray Bentos meat pies.

The July/August summer issue of the magazine is available at the back of church. Let me know if you have stories, photographs or articles for the September issue. Christine Francis.

For the Who's who' pages and contact details please see the back page of the St Martin's Magazine.

Please remember in your prayers:
Henry and Godfrey Haire, Rosie Pegram,
Mike Kendrick, James Bascoe,
Rev'd Dr Malcolm Rothwell, Colin Mills.



Please pray for those who have recently died:
Barry Pegram, Hazel Whittaker.

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 are praying for Christians Against Poverty.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is now available at <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer>. In August we pray for Guildford and Surrey Heath 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!

1st August Ninth Sunday after Trinity

St Martin's

Sunday 1st August

Morning Praise with Holy Communion @ 10am

Sunday 8th August

Holy Communion @ 10am

St Mary's

Sunday 1st August

Holy Communion @ 10.30am

Sunday 8th August

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 1st August

Matins @ 11am

Sunday 8th August

Holy Communion @ 11am

See separate Order of Service with readings for the St Martin's 10am Service.

Collect (Pixham)

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Old Testament Reading (Pixham)

2Samuel 11. 26 - 12. 13a

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD. The LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought.