

Readings for St Mary's, Pixham

Romans 5. 12-19 NT Pg: 166

Matthew 4. 1-11 NT Pg: 3

Collect, Special Prayer for today

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save;
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.

OT Testament Reading

Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7 OT Pg: 2

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'
Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

New Testament Reading

Matthew 4.1-11 NT Pg: 3

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

News

The Traidcraft stall dates are - today and 22nd March at St Martin's, 29th March at Pixham.

Copies of the March issue of the Methodist Circuit Newsletter are at the back of church for you to take.

Lent Courses at St Martin's/St Mary's. There are a number of options this year; two of the groups will study the Operation Noah Course - "Climate Change and the Purposes of God". Diana Burges will run this 5 session course on Monday afternoons at her home (5 Tutts Close) starting on 2nd March. The Saturday Breakfast Group will offer the same course starting on 7th March at 8.30am each week in the Christian Centre. Please contact Diana (881291) or Peter Bunn (889008) respectively if you would like to attend. Mark in March Lent Group at Mary Cowan's house (885341), Tuesdays from 3rd March at 5pm.

Invitation from the staff at SEASONS café, next to Guildford Cathedral, Stag Hill. On Tuesday 3rd March, 2.30pm-4.30pm, we are running an event called "Time for a cuppa" and we will be raising money for dementia UK. There will be a tea and cake stall, Tombola, Bottle-bola and a couple of craft stalls. Everyone is welcome.

World Day of Prayer 2020 and Lenten Lunch. This year the service will be held at St Paul's, 11am on Friday 6 March. It has been prepared by the women of Zimbabwe, on the theme "Take up your mat, and walk". Everyone welcome to the service and afterwards to share a frugal meal of soup, bread and cheese at the Lent lunch that follows 12.30-1.30pm. Donations towards the work of Christian Aid.

Message from John Pilkington. Samara Levy the Lady behind the Syrian clothes and supplies appeal is coming to Dorking on Sunday 8th March at 5pm and will be at St Paul's Church to share her story about the appeal and the ongoing story 'Rebuilding the Ruins'. St Paul's also has a 6.30pm service following on from the talk and everyone is welcome to stay for that.

Brockham Choral Society will be performing Haydn 'Nelson Mass' along with 3 Bruckner Motets and Mozart 'Symphony No.40 on Saturday 28th March at 7.30pm in St Martin's. Admission: Adults £12 in advance, £15 on the day. Children and students under 25 in full-time education £5. For Tickets contact Maria Chadwick/Michael Frith 01306 882728. By Email: brockhamcstickets@gmail.com More information and tickets at www.brockhamchoral.org

“Come and Sing” Rutter Requiem with the Sinfonia da Chiesa Ensemble. At St Martin’s Church on Good Friday 10th April. Registration: 1.30pm, Rehearsal: 2pm, Concert: 7pm. Dress Smart, tea and coffee provided. Singers £12, Audience Free, retiring collection in support of St Catherine’s Hospice.

Date for your diary - Saturday 2nd May, The Christian Centre will be holding their Annual Plant and Cake Sale. Please save the date in your diary to come along and support this event. When planting your seeds this spring, remember that donations of plants would be gratefully received. Thank-you!

Dorking Foodbank. For the next week can we please ask for the following items: Half litre cartons of UHT milk, Fray Bentos meat pies, Sugar free squash, Sponge pudding twin packs, Gluten free cereal, and Gluten free snacks. The donation point is in the Christian Centre lobby. Please ensure food items are well within date.

Rev. John Silk. Very sadly John died last week. John was a much loved curate at St. Martins between 1980 and 1984 before becoming Vicar of two parishes near Deal in Kent. Latterly he was Vicar at Thames Ditton before retiring to Somerset. Our condolences to Clare, Richard and Catherine.

News and Notices for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by the close of business on Wednesday. Please e-mail stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call 01306 884229.

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 St Mary’s Pixham.

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:

Betty and Brian Smith, Steve Parker, Paul Berning, Pamela Kerslake, Heather Anderton, Simon Hardcastle, Frankie Stoner.



And those who have recently died:

Rev'd John Silk, Denzil Clarke, Sir Hugh Cubitt.

PRAYERS IN CHURCH

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

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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, and do join us after the 10 o'clock service for coffee.

Sunday 1st March
First Sunday in Lent



St Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
President: Derek Tighe

10.00am St Martin's @ 10 Family Communion
President: Derek Tighe

6.00pm Choral Evensong
Led by: Chris Watts

St Mary's

10.30am Holy Communion
President: Stuart Peace

St Barnabas

11.00am Matins
Led By: Chris Watts

This Week

Monday	10.00am	Pixham Pixies at St Mary's
Tuesday	2.30pm	Women's Fellowship Members' Afternoon
Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion
Friday	10.00am	SMURFS at the Centre
	11.00am	World Day of Prayer at St Paul's Church, (followed by Lent Lunch at 12.30pm)
Saturday	10.00am	Christian Centre and Repair Coffee Morning
	12.00pm	Music at Midday, Face the Organ with Hope
	2.00pm	Wedding of Ben West and Catherine Jones at St Barnabas

Sunday 8th March
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St. Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion

12.30pm Baptism

St. Mary's

10.30am Morning Prayer

St Barnabas

11.00am Holy Communion