The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of

New Testament Reading Revelation 5.11-14 NT Page 268

I, John, looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!' Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, 'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' And the elders fell down and worshipped.

Gospel Reading John 21.1-19

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Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples.

Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God. After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

News

Unfortunately the Alpha Course will not now go ahead as planned this week due to lack of support.

Revision of the Parochial Electoral Roll for St Martin's and St Mary's Pixham will be made between 19 April and 7 May. If you are not already on the roll and wish to be added, please complete an application form (available at the back of church) and give it to the Church Office or to Elizabeth Dobson by Wednesday 4 May. Thanks.

May Edition of the Magazine is now available at the back of church.

Sunday 22nd May 3pm - Special service to mark the closure of the Dorking Methodist Church, and celebrate 250 years of Methodism in Dorking. Revd Val Ogden is coming as preacher; everyone welcome. This service will be live-streamed so please pass the following Zoom details to anyone who would prefer to attend virtually.

https://zoom.us/j/97997436889 pwd=RTBIWVZYd1NtS2RDTEZYQ0I4T1NyQT09 #success Meeting ID: 979 9743 6889, Passcode: 081498.

Christian Aid Week 15-21 May: The main fundraising this year will be a street collection on Thur-Sat 19-21 May. Please contact Elizabeth Dobson if you are able to help with this: 881479 emddh7@hotmail.com

Update from Rev'd Paul Gough.

Many thanks for your generosity towards the people of Ukraine. I will let you know when clothes may be UKRAINE APPEAL

needed in the future. Currently needed: Dried Soups, Pot Noodles, Rice and Pasta, Energy Drinks Baby Formula and Food, Nappies all sizes, Baby Buggies (cleaned please), Child Car Seats, Small Toiletries and Toothbrushes, Sanitary Products.

Email church@crossways.info or text/phone 07795 220847. Donations are to be taken to the Prayer Room at Crossways Church in Junction Road, Dorking.

Blessings Paul. revpaulgough@gmail.com

Dorking Area Foodbank - The items we would like to focus on this week are: Tinned Rice Pudding, Deodorant, Tinned Fruit, Sponge Pudding long-life twin packs, Tinned Potatoes, Laundry Capsules.

Please send "News and Notices" for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet to:

stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or call 884229. If received by the close of business on Wednesday it will be included in the next issue.

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: Billy Yates, Mimi Baines, Maurice, Valerie Pritchard, Davyd, Iryna and all Ukrainians seeking refuge.

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

Morning prayer will be said Monday to Thursday at 9am in the Lady Chapel.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers.

Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we pray for the Community Fridge.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In April we pray for Epsom and Leatherhead deaneries.

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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.

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Sunday 1st May

Family Communion @ 10am Choral Evensong @ 6pm

Wednesday 4th May

Holy Communion (BCP) @ 11am

Sunday 8th May

Morning Worship @ 10am

Vigil and Prayer for Ukraine @ 7pm (Change to advertised date)

St Mary's

Sunday 1st May

Holy Communion @ 10.30am

Sunday 8th May

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 1st May

Matins @ 11am

Baptism of Rebecca Rose Diana @ 12.30pm

Sunday 8th May

Holy Communion @ 11am

Annual Parochial Church Meeting @ 12pm

Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

New Testament Reading

Acts 9. 1-20

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Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?'