

Collect, Special Prayer for today

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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.

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4: 5 NT Pg: 228

Continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18. 1-8 NT Pg: 86

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

News

The Traidcraft Stall will be at St Martin's on 3rd November; and at St Mary's Pixham today. There will also be a stall in the Christian Centre on Saturday 2nd November, when a wider range of craft goods will be on display.

Sessions on Prayer 2019. Sessions on the Practicalities of Prayer: Wednesdays 10.30-12pm in the Upper Lounge of The Christian Centre: 23rd and 30th October. All welcome but it would be helpful to let me know if you are interested in these sessions - 01306 886830. Coffee/Tea will be available in the Café. Rowan, Centre Chaplain.

Shoe boxes for Link to Hope - Coffee morning to help pack gift boxes this Saturday 26th October from 10am. If you have any small items to fill the boxes with please leave in the green crate by the Church Office in the Centre. *Recommended donations are: shampoo, shower gel, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, safety razors, soap, flannels, plasters, scissors, brush, comb, socks, tights, gloves, scarves, hats, simple solar powered calculator, crayons, felt pens, small colouring book, small toys, pencils, small travel games, wrapped sweets and chocolate, wind up torches, candles.* The October Magazine has the full list of items to donate. Please also bring your **empty shoe boxes** for this appeal into the Christian Centre. Thank you.

SMURFS (St Martin's Under Fives) Toddler group is next meeting at 10am on 1st November and on the first Friday of each month. The group is friendly and welcoming and love new visitors.

The next Music at Midday Recital is on Saturday 2nd November, Roman Ruduytsky, piano.

Remembering With Thanksgiving. The Books of Remembrance are now at the back of church. Please add the name of your loved one(s) in preparation for this service on Sunday 3rd November at 2.45pm.

Talk on Initiatives for the Homeless in Dorking. There will be a meeting at my home, 115 Parkway, RH4 1ET on 19th November, 7.30 until 9pm. Lucy, Director of the Glass Door in London will be helping us see what churches can realistically do for the homeless. Please come. Blessings, Paul Gough.

Dorking Christian Centre invite you to enjoy a wonderful Christmas Day. Come alone, come with friends, bring a neighbour, bring the whole family. Helping hands welcome, beforehand or on the day. Let us know if you can assist and if you would like to join in the festivities. The format of the day: 10am St Martin's Christmas Day Service, 11am welcome drinks, 12.30pm Festive Christmas Lunch, followed by gifts, games and entertainment, The Queen's speech at 3pm followed by tea, cake and conversation, 3.45pm goody bags and departures.

Suggested donation £5 per head. Interested? Great! Please register with Janette or Clare on 01306 886830 by Friday 20th December latest.

Dorking Foodbank. Thank you for your continued support. For the next week can we please ask for the following items: Laundry Washing Tabs, Bottles of Squash, Jars of Pasta Sauce, Sponge Pudding Twin-Packs and Washing Up Liquid. Please ensure food items are well within the use by date.

Messy Church at Dorking URC. Dorking URC started their Messy Church congregation in 2006 and it has been meeting once a month since then. A regular attendance of between 60 and 80 adults and children have made this a real community and a very effective ministry. Every time we meet we have a theme and ten activities around that theme. We share a celebration in the Little Chapel, and finish with Messy Pasta and birthdays. It's a great time to introduce younger ones to Jesus and very fruitful. Lots of families from around Dorking attend, some from other congregations, some from no congregation. Children in our congregations are very precious and we need to treasure them. They need encouragement and the Messy Community provides that. So can we ask two things: 1. Please let you children/families know about Messy Church: we always have room for more! Always on the first Wednesday of the month from 3.30pm to 6pm. 2. We are always looking for new helpers to sit at an activity table and oversee the task and speak with the children/adults, or to help with welcome or catering. For further information call Messy Leader Judi Currie on 07789 083343.

News and Notices for the Weekly News Sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by the close of business on Wednesdays. Tel: 01306 884229 or e-mail stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers. Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation, organisation or initiative each week. This week we are praying for Crossways Community Baptist Church.

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, Heather Anderton, Pamela Kerslake, Mike Stewart, Steve Parker.



PRAYERS IN CHURCH

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

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

st martin's DORKING

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 20th October Eighteenth after Trinity

St Martin's	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) President: Derek Tighe
	10.00am	St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion President: Derek Tighe
	4.00pm	St Martin's @ 4 Family Service Led by: Derek Tighe and Alex Cacouris
St Mary's	10.30am	Pixham Praise with Holy Communion President: David Cowan
St Barnabas		No Service



This Week

Tuesday	2.30pm	Women's Fellowship, Diana Burges, Hymns
Wednesday	11.00am	Holy Communion
Saturday	10.00am	Link to Hope Coffee Morning with Shoe Box Packing

Sunday 27th October Last after Trinity

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 Bible Sunday

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWS SHEET HOME TO REFER TO