Collect Prayers

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 23. 1-6 OT Pg: 752

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

New Testament Reading Ephesians 2.11-22 NT Pg: 206

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision' – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Gospel Reading Mark 6. 30-34, 53-56 NT Pg: 44

The apostles returned from their mission. They gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

News and Notices

Lunchtime Recital: Songs of Travel, Saturday 27th July, St Martin's Church at 12 noon. Free entry, refreshments, donations to the William Cole Music Trust. Stephen Fort, Bass, who is a former choral scholar of the Trust and Jack Redman, Piano.

There will be a very short **APCM** after the service at 11.15am next Sunday 28th July.

Dorking Halls Family Fun Day – Sunday 28th July, on Meadowbank Park between 11am and 4pm. Join Dorking Halls for their Family Fun Day, a fantastic community event for all. There will be stalls, activities, food & drink, live music, a dog show (with fun classes such as waggiest tail and most like their owner), sports races (with running races for all ages, sack races, wheelbarrow races etc), a very generous tombolo in aid of Dorking Area Foodbank, a fun fair and much more! So save the date and be sure to bring your whole family!

Dorking Area Foodbank: Demand continues to grow and we rely on you all to help us with the supply of donations, so many thanks for your continued support. This week we would like to receive donations of: Tinned potatoes, Tinned vegetables, Toilet roll 4 packs, Shampoo, Longlife sponge pudding twin packs, 1L cartons of long-life fruit juice.

St Martin's Book of Remembrance. If you have lost a loved one and would like to have their name inscribed in our Book of Remembrance in church, please call or email Vicki in the church office or pick up an application form in church, on the Remembrance Book display case, next to the Lady Chapel gate. Tel: 01306 884229 or stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

The St Martin's Parish Magazine Summer Edition covering July and August is now available at the back of church. Please take a copy.

Crossways Church are hosting a First Aid Course on Saturday 23rd November 2024, 9-4pm. This is with an excellent company who are willing to run a First Aid course for the churches of Dorking at a discounted rate, the price for the full day course is only £45 per person. There are only 12 slots available so if you think you might benefit from this First Aid Course, please email church@crossways.info to book your slot(s).

Weekly News Sheet. "News and Notices" and all articles for the next issue of the church news sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by Wednesday afternoon for inclusion in the next issue by phone on 01306 884229 or: stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

Church of England Daily Hope Line: Weekly Service, Morning and Evening Prayers and Sleep-Well Bible Reflections: 0800 804 8044.

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

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For more information on events or for the Who's Who page, please see page 23 of the St Martin's Parish Magazine.

Please remember in your prayers...

Mary, David and Andrew Cowan, Nicholas Grealy, Pauline Welton, Gay Fraser, Sylvia Pelham, Barbara Philpott.

Please pray for those who have died... Colin Macartney, Sue Woodroffe, Doreen Morley.



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 pray for Pentecostal Church of Christ.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/ calendar-of-prayer. In July we pray for Aldershot and Cranleigh 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.



St Martin's

Sunday 21st July Joint Holy Communion Service @ 10am

Tuesday 23rd St Martin's School Leavers Service @ 9.30am

> **Wednesday 24th July** Holy Communion @ 11am

Sunday 28th July Holy Communion @ 10am with a short APCM at 11.15am

St Mary's

Sunday 21st July Joint Service at St Martin's @ 10am

> Sunday 28th July Songs of Praise @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 21st July

No morning service

Evening Prayer via zoom @ 6pm (To join contact robinluff@btinternet.com)

> Sunday 28th July Matins @ 11am

Prayer for Vacancy

God our Father, you have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be his body in this place: Send us your Holy Spirit at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision and energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community. Give your heavenly wisdom to those who are to choose a new priest for this parish, that she or he may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people, ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, Jesus. Amen.