Collect, Special Prayer for today

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 1 Timothy 2. 1-7 NT Pg: 223

My dearly beloved, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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Gospel Reading Luke 16. 1-13

NT Pg: 84

Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

News

The Traidcraft Stall will be at St Martin's on 29th September, 6th October and 3rd November; and at St Mary's Pixham on 20th October. 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. Look out for the new autumn catalogue coming shortly.

There is information available about the A24 resurfacing work. See www.A24.today

Sessions on Prayer 2019. I plan to hold five sessions on the Practicalities of Prayer: Wednesdays 10.30-12pm in the Upper Lounge of The Christian Centre on 25th September, 2nd, 9th, 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 Centre Café. Rowan Nunnerley, Centre Chaplain.

<u>Cancelled - 'Come & Sing' event</u> St Martin's Church, Saturday 28th September - Due to lack of numbers this event will no longer take place.

St Mary's Pixham Shared Harvest Festival Lunch will be on Sunday 29th Sept. in the Church shortly after Morning Service. A Suggested Donation of £10 each for adults, which will go to the Church Repair Fund, will be gratefully received. If you would like to come, or for further details, please contact Julie Mellows on j.e.mellows@gmail.com

CTD Shared Service: This month the Quakers have kindly invited us to go to Dorking Quaker Meeting House on South Street (opposite Waitrose) for the Churches Together in Dorking evening ecumenical service on Sunday 29th September. The Meeting for Worship introduced by an Elder will be from 6.30pm until 7.15pm and will be followed by refreshments. All are very welcome.

SMURFS (St Martin's Under Fives) Toddler group is next meeting on 4th October and on the first Friday of each month. The group is friendly and welcoming and love new visitors. Please bring your little ones along for a fun morning.

The next Music at Midday Recital is on Saturday 5th October - Katie Plummer and friends - Mezzo Soprano.

Choral Concert to be given by the Trinity Boys Choir on Friday 11 October at 7.30pm at St Barnabas Church. Tickets £8 (with concessions) on the door.

Quiz Night on Saturday 19th October at the Christian Centre. 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start. To secure your place please contact Elizabeth Dobson on 01306 881479 or e-mail emddh7@hotmail.com

Shoe boxes for Link to Hope - Coffee morning to help pack gift boxes on Saturday 26th October from 10am. If you have any small items to fill the boxes with or would like to buy extra in the coming weeks, please give to Judy Peace or leave in the green crate by the Church Office in the Centre. The October Magazine will contain the full list of items to donate. Please also bring your empty-shoe-boxes for this appeal into the Christian Centre. Thank you.

Every year The Revd. Haydon Wilcox leads a holiday/pilgrimage to Iona in Scotland. Many in the diocese have enjoyed this unique experience and discovered the treasures of this holy island. The dates are: 14th - 22nd August 2020. If you would like to receive details email: haydonwilcox@mac.com or ring 07843770234.

Dorking Foodbank. For the next week can we please ask for the following items: Tinned Custard, Tinned Rice Pudding, Uncooked Rice, Jams/Spreads and Sponge Pudding Twin Packs. Please ensure food items are well within the use by date.

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 St Paul's Dorking.

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: Rosie Pegram, Betty Smith, Heather Anderton, Steve Parker, Paul Berning, Iris Ball, Tim Golding, Dr Pat Goode.

PRAYERS IN CHURCH

Morning Prayer is at 9am in the Lady Chapel Monday to Thursday. There will be no Midday Prayer on Friday 27th September, this will resume on Friday 4th October at 12 noon in the Lady Chapel.

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWS SHEET HOME TO REFER TO

St martin's DORKING

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 22nd September Fourteenth after Trinity

St Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

President: Derek Tighe

10.00am St Martin's @ 10

Holy Communion

President: Derek Tighe

St Mary's

10.00am Rise and Shine

President: David Cowan

St Barnabas

2.00pm Heritage Open Day Afternoon

4.00pm Choral Evensong for Heritage Days

Led by: Mike Stewart

This Week

Tuesday 2.30pm Women's Fellowship, Quiz

Wednesday 11.00am Holy Communion

Saturday 10.00am Climage Change Coffee

Morning

1.00pm Come and Sing Event

Cancelled

Sunday 29th September Fifteenth after Trinity

St. Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am St Martin's @ 10 Holy Communion

St. Mary's

10.30am Harvest Family Service followed by

AGM and Harvest Lunch

St Barnabas No Service

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