

This year's **Walk of Witness** will take place from Medwyn Surgery to St Martin's Churchyard on Good Friday. We will assemble by 10.40am and leave after Prayers by 10.55am. The Procession will keep to the pavement at all times and we will cross by Specsavers using the pedestrian lights. I urgently require Stewards and would ask that they meet me at 10.30am outside Medway Surgery for a formal briefing. Any queries do please contact me canonpeterbruinvels@talk21.com, 07721 411 688. Thank you so much, Canon Peter. This will be followed by **Churches Together in Dorking service** in the churchyard at 11.30am. Refreshments and hot cross buns served afterwards in the Christian Centre.

Collect Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 50. 4-9a OT Pg: 707

The servant of the LORD said: The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

New Testament Reading

The Palm Gospel

Mark 11:1-11 NT Pg: 50

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?'

They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!' Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Please see additional sheet for the New Testament Reading from Mark 15. 1-39 NT Pg: 57

News and Notices

The Anglican Electoral Roll for St Martin's and St Mary's Pixham is being revised. If you are not on the existing roll and wish to be included, please complete an application form and return it to Elizabeth Dobson (9 Rothes Road, Dorking RH4 1LF, or email to emddh7@hotmail.com) or to the church office, no later than Monday 22 April. The application form is available at the back of church in St Martin's and Pixham or please click:

<https://stmartinsdorking.org/news> to take you to our News pages where you will find the forms.

Easter Decorations. Please help decorate church on Saturday 30th from 10am. We will decorate with daffodils or tulips and if you have any glass milk bottles please bring them too. We will be decorating the window sills. There will also be pedestals with Easter flowers.

Forty Hours of Prayer. One hour for each day Jesus was in the wilderness. Come and Pray anytime from Monday 25th to Wednesday 27th March 2024. At the Little Chapel, United Reformed Church, West Street, from 8am on each day until late evening. Please sign up by contacting tedbellingham@aol.com or 07889 878471.

SEND Easter Eggs. We are again collecting Easter Eggs for the children who have a mother in Send Prison. Special family days are arranged over the Easter holidays where the children can spend the day with their mother and have an Easter Egg to make it an extra special occasion. Please leave any eggs in the Church Office or contact Anne Brown on 01306 884424 who is happy to collect them from your home.

Good Friday Choir. Singers from churches across Dorking are invited to join a United Choir to sing at the United Service in St Martin's Churchyard at 11:30am on Good Friday (Friday 29 March). Rehearsal in St Martin's Church at 10am. Please contact Helena, choir@stpaulsdorking.org.uk for information.

Easter Lilies. If you would like to dedicate an Easter Lily this year please contact June Chapman (884399) or Sandy Hine (889807). The cost is £5 each lily.

Date for your diary! Annual Plant Sale, Saturday 27th April. The Christian Centre is hosting this very successful event again and would appreciate any donations of plants, cakes etc. Please start growing your seeds and cuttings!

Chicken and Eggs. We have some lovely chickens with chocolate eggs which would make beautiful little Easter presents for children. There will be some in a basket at the back of church if you would like to make a donation for them.



Little Reminder!

Spring Forward.
Remember to set your clocks forward by an hour on Easter Sunday morning!

Dorking Area Foodbank: Thank you for your support. This week we would like to receive donations of:- 1L cartons of UHT milk, Tinned potatoes, 1L cartons of long-life fruit juice, Tinned fruit, Loo roll 4 packs, Sponge pudding long-life twin packs. For info: <https://dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

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: smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com or by phone on 01306 884229.

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

Samaritans National Helpline: 116 123.

Please remember in your prayers...

Mary, David and Andrew Cowan, Nicholas Grealy, Allan Tapley, Pauline Welton, Henry Haire, Gay Fraser, Denis Pitkeathly.

Please pray for those who have died.

Canon Roy Matthews, Mary Barnes.

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 St John's North Holmwood.

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer. In March we pray for the Dorking and Emly Deaneries.

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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 today and do join us for a coffee after the service.



St Martin's

Palm Sunday 24th March

Holy Communion @ 10am

* Note: NO CHORAL EVENSONG*

Wednesday 27th March

School Easter Service @ 9.30am

Holy Communion @ 11am

Maundy Thursday 28th March

Holy Communion with footwashing @ 8pm

Good Friday 29th March

CTD Walk of Witness and

St Martin's Churchyard Service
(See full details overleaf)

Hour at the Cross @ 2pm

Philip Ledger Requiem @ 7pm

Sunday 31st March, Easter Day

Holy Communion BCP @ 8am

Family Communion @ 10am

St Mary's

Sunday 24th March, Palm Sunday

Pixham Praise @ 10.30am

Sunday 31st March, Easter Day

Joint Service at St Martin's @ 10am

St Barnabas

Sunday 24th March, Palm Sunday

Matins @ 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm

(Contact robinluff@btinternet.com to join)

Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th

Compline via Zoom @ 8pm

Wednesday 27th March

Tenebrae @ 7pm

Friday 29th March

Good Friday Meditation @ 2pm

Sunday 31st March, Easter Day

Holy Communion @ 11am