

Collect Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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 6. 1-8

OT Pg: 662

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

New Testament Reading

Romans 5. 12-17

NT Pg: 166

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Gospel Reading

John 3. 1-17

NT Pg: 100

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.'

Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

News and Notices



Pixham Church, Bank holiday

Monday 27th May, 10am-

4pm. Teas and Scones and Jumble

Sale. Please contact Anne Brown if you would like to donate any good

Jumble items (01306 884424).

Christian Centre Plant Sale. Our 2nd plant sale is on Wednesday 29th May at 10am-12.00pm in the church car park. Any donations gratefully received from Monday 27th May onwards. Come grab a bargain!

Revising Pevsner: Surrey, Henry Woodyer and Grafham. A fascinating talk of great local relevance by leading architectural historian Charles O'Brien. Friday 7th June at 7.30pm in the Merriman Music School, Cranleigh School, GU6 8QQ. Free drink included with ticket. Tickets £15, contact stuartwhite2023@gmail.com or 01483 892645.

150th Anniversary Service. Sunday 16th June, St Martin's Church celebrates 150 years of the current Church building, (and over 1,000 years of a church being on this site) for all at the heart of Dorking. Everyone is welcome to join in for this special 10am Parish Eucharist, with a choir followed by a bring your own picnic and musical entertainment afterwards. We hope to see you there!

Dorking Area Foodbank: This week we would like to receive donations of:- tins of fruit, tins of meat, Long-life sponge pudding twin packs, 1L cartons of long-life fruit juice, washing up liquid, laundry capsules. Many thanks.



Grand Summer Fair! For the 150th Anniversary celebrations of the refurbished St Martin's church we are planning a grand summer fair on Saturday 29th June at 12-3pm in St Martin's churchyard. Marc White from Dorking Wanderers is to open the event and we plan to have a wide selection of stalls to attract all ages from our local community. We are asking for volunteers to help run the various stalls, (refreshments, face painting, tombola, raffle, hook-a-duck, Cakes etc) and need your help! Please contact Anne Brown on 01306 884424 or Vicki Judd at the church office 01306 884229 to volunteer your time helping set up or running a stall on the day. We are very much hoping to raise lots of money towards St Martin's and St Mary's churches.

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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Please remember in your prayers...

Mary, David and Andrew Cowan, Nicholas Grealy, Allan Tapley, Pauline Welton, Gay Fraser, Robina Williams.



Please pray for those who have died...

Harry Tempan.

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

Notice of Ashes Burial in St Barnabas Church, Ranmore. There is to be a service of interment of the late Derek Swaine on Saturday 15th June at 11am with refreshments in church afterwards. All who knew him would be welcome.

Churches Together in Dorking Prayers.

Members of CTD all pray for one church, community, congregation or initiative each week. This week we pray for Soul Connect.

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

Sunday 26th May

Holy Communion @ 10am

Wednesday 29th May

Holy Communion @ 11am

Sunday 2nd June

Holy Communion @ 10am
with Baptism of Rowan Page

Choral Evensong @ 6pm

St Mary's

Sunday 26th May

Joint 10am Service at St Martin's

Monday 27th May

Teas & Scones and Jumble Sale 10-4pm

Sunday 2nd June

Holy Communion @ 10.30am

St Barnabas

Sunday 26th May

Said Matins @ 11am

Sunday 2nd June

Sung 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.