

unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me - and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity.

So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil.

What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest.

This also is vanity.

New Testament Reading Colossians 3.1-11 NT Page: 216

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.

But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Gospel Reading Luke 12.13-21 NT Page: 79

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me."

But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?"

And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?'"

Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'

But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'

So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

News

I am very pleased to announce that we have been granted a List B permission from the Archdeacon, Martin Breadmore, to go ahead with the **Lighting work in St Martin's**. The work will be undertaken by CES and they hope to start in October.

Veronica

Dorking Area Foodbank - Thank you for your continued generosity. Items we are particularly short of this week are: tea bags, long life fruit juice 1L cartons, loo roll 4 packs, tinned potatoes, sponge pudding twin packs and multi packs of 6 crisps.

The next Choral Evensong will be on Sunday 11th September for Heritage Weekend.

The Community Wardrobe has been set up to prevent clothing from going into landfill and to prolong the life cycle of each item. We are in The Christian Centre on most Fridays from 10.00am-1.00pm and 3.30pm-5.00pm. Keep an eye on social media for updates and changes to opening times (Facebook "The Community Wardrobe"). We look forward to seeing you there. Thanks, Michelle Winstone and Carolyn Cook, Directors, The Community Wardrobe.

Are you currently exploring or considering ordained ministry in the Church of England then join a vocational retreat at St. Columbas House, Woking 14th-16th October led by The Revd Haydon Wilcox. Contact: admin@stcolumbashouse.org.uk or ring 01483 766498 for more details.

Tiny Tots Nursery & Pre School has opened at St. Mary's Pixham. Hours are 8am to 5pm Monday to Friday. Please see www.tinytotspixhamnursery.co.uk, email tinytotspixham@outlook.com or phone 07469460155 for details.

For the next 3 weeks, please send "News and Notices" for the next issue of the Weekly News Sheet to:

smartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com
or call 889617 and pass the details to Christine Francis. If articles are received by the close of business on Wednesday they will be included in the next issue.

You can leave messages on the church office telephone, but also there is a mobile number for urgent matters: 07392 819396

Church of England Daily Hope. Free phone line with hymns, reflections and prayers: 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 the back page of the St Martin's Parish Magazine.

Please remember in your prayers:
Michael Light, Patricia Smith, Peter Greene, Mimi Baines, Valerie Pritchard.

Please pray for those who have died:
Billy Yates.

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

Until further notice, there will be no led morning prayer in the Lady Chapel.

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

The Diocesan Calendar of Prayer is available at <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/about/christian-calendar/calendar-of-prayer>.
In August we pray for the deaneries of Guildford and Surrey Heath.

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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 31st July

Holy Communion @ 10am

Wednesday 3rd August

Holy Communion @ 11am (BCP)

Sunday 7th August

Holy Communion @ 10am

Combined with St Mary's, Pixham

St Mary's

Sunday 31st July

Family Praise @ 10.30am

Sunday 7th August

No Service. Combined Holy Communion service at St Martin's 10.00am

St Barnabas

Sunday 31st July

No Morning Service

Wedding @ 12pm

James Adams and Rachel Denham

Sunday 7th August

Matins @ 11.00 am

Collect

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Readings

Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14, 2.18-23

OT Page: 643

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.
I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an