

## Old Testament Reading

**Exodus 20. 1-17**

**OT Pg: 70**

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

## New Testament Reading

**1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 NT Pg: 177**

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks,

Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

## Gospel Reading

**John 2: 13-22**

**NT Pg: 99**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables.

He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"

His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?"

But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

## News and Notices

**Save the Date! St Martin's Tea, Games and Social.** Saturday 9th March @ 2.30pm in the Christian Centre. Everyone welcome to join in for a fun afternoon of games, tea, scones and company.

**Dorking Area Foodbank:** Thank you for your support. This week we would like to receive donations of:- Biscuits, shampoo, tinned potatoes, crisps x 6 multipacks and tinned pulses. For info: <https://dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

**St Martin's Lent Course**, running from 2-3pm, Next dates: March 8th, 15th and 22nd, held in the Christian Centre. Course leader is Revd Barbara Steadman-Allen and the course looks at: **Handel's Messiah: The unfolding story of God's rescue plan** (we're not performing it...) "Since by man came death" (1 Corinthians 15) "Come unto me" (Matthew 11:28-29) "Hallelujah!" (Revelation 11:15; 19:6, 16).

**Following the section 11 meeting**, Felicity Cheetham and Judy Peace are the chosen representatives from St Martins together with Robin Luff and Sandra Skelt from St Barnabas to be on the interview panel for new priest in charge.

**Plant Sale, Saturday 27th April.** The Christian Centre is hosting this very successful annual 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.

**St Martin's Church, next PCC meeting** is on Thursday 14th March, 7.30pm in the Lady Chapel.

**The Walk of Witness.** 10.50 for 11am Walk of Witness from Medwyn Surgery to St Martin's Church. Volunteer stewards needed. Contact Canon Peter Bruinvels

**St Martin's Magazine:** The March issue is available at the back of church. If you have stories or news to share in future issues, please contact Christine Francis on 01306 889617.

**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: [stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com) or by phone on 01306 884229.

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

**Samaritans National Helpline:** 116 123.

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

### **Please remember in your prayers...**

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



### **Please pray for those who have died.**

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 James Abinger with Coldharbour.

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

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# st martin's DORKING

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.*

## **Sunday 3rd March**

LENT +  
**(3rd Sunday of Lent)**

### **St Martin's**

#### **Sunday 3rd March**

Holy Communion @ 10am

Choral Evensong @ 6pm

#### **Wednesday 6th March**

Holy Communion @ 11am BCP

#### **Friday 8th March**

Lent course @ 2pm in The Christian Centre

#### **Saturday 9th March**

Tea, games and social in The Christian Centre @ 2.30pm

#### **Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday**

Holy Communion @ 8am

Worship @ 10am

### **St Mary's**

#### **Sunday 3rd March**

Joint service at St Martin's

#### **Sunday 10th March**

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

### **St Barnabas**

#### **Sunday 3rd March**

Matins at 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom @ 4pm

(Contact [robinluff@btinternet.com](mailto:robinluff@btinternet.com) to join)

#### **Sunday 10th March**

Holy Communion for Mothering Sunday @ 11am

Evening Prayer via Zoom tbc

## **Collect Prayer**

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not in to glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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 forever.