

## Collect Prayer

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## New Testament Reading

**Acts 10. 44-48**

**NT Pg: 138**

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

## New Testament Reading

**1 John 5. 1-6**

**NT Pg: 260**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

## Gospel Reading

**John 15. 9-17**

**NT Pg: 117**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you.

And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

## News and Notices

**Electoral Roll.** The revised church electoral roll is now available for inspection at the back of church.

**Farewell to our Director of Music.** Sunday 5th May @ 6pm—Choral Evensong and farewell to Stephen Hope. All are welcome to celebrate Stephen's time with us, the service will include visiting musicians and party refreshments afterwards.

**We plan to walk around the boundary of the Parish of St Barnabas Ranmore** on Bank Holiday Monday May 6th, Rogation Day – 10am meet at Coffee Van on NT carpark at Ranmore. The route, a maximum of 9 miles, will include a refreshment stop at Denbies and at the coffee stop at Steers Field. There are many alternative walks so that shortcutting will be possible to make the walk suitable for all abilities. The walk is as follows:-

Start and parking at the National Trust car park Steer's Field.

Walk south to the Coach Road.

Walk into Dorking as far as Ashcombe Road (St Martin's join).

Turn on to the Mole Gap Trail.

Stop at Denbies Vinery for refreshment.

Across the vineyard skirting Westhumble.

Walk west along the valley south of Polesden Lacy (we may be able to find one of the original boundary markers).

Walk south along Hogden Lane.

Descend the scarp face of Ranmore.

Turn east to walk along Denbies Hillside.

Turn north to ascend Ranmore, finishing at Steer's Field (or possibly St Barnabas Church).

OR continue walking east to return to Dorking!

We will not beat, as was tradition, members of the choir to mark the boundary but we do hope you will join us at least for the gentle amble into Denbies. Robin Luff, Churchwarden, St Barnabas.



**St Barnabas Ranmore Ascension Day 9th May - 11am** meet in the field next to the National Trust car park, Ranmore Common, for prayers and then walk to the

church for 11.30am Holy Communion.

**St Mary's Pixham Ascension Day Service:** on Thursday 9th May @ 7.30pm. Everyone from the benefice and all churches in the town are very welcome to join us for this special service.

**Prayer Corner.** Please be aware that on Thursday 16th May, the prayer corner will be moved into the Lady Chapel for one day as we have work being done in the main body of the church. Entry to church will be by the South Lady Chapel Door only.

**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. Thank you (884424).



**Dorking Area Foodbank:** Thank you for your support. This week we would like to receive donations of:- Tinned meals (Beef stew, Fray Bentos pies, tinned spaghetti bolognese, tinned beans and sausages etc), Pasta sauce, Washing-up liquid, Long-life fruit juice 1L cartons, Dried lentils, Tinned vegetables. Many thanks.

**Date for the diary:-** Calling all volunteers, we are kicking off Big Green Week with a Litter Pick on **Friday 7 June from 10 - 1pm.** As always, we meet at South Street Gardens and will have all the tools you'll need, but you can also bring your own. Kathy Kyle, Dorking BID.

**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](mailto:stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com) or

**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.

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

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

Mary, David and Andrew Cowan, Nicholas Grealy, Rev'd Caroline Lazenby, Allan Tapley, Pauline Welton, Henry Haire, Gay Fraser, Robina Williams.

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 Churches of Dorking Housing Association.

**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 May we pray for Runnymede and Woking deaneries.

# 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 5th May

### Easter 6

#### **St Martin's**

##### **Sunday 5th May**

Holy Communion @10am

Choral Evensong

Farewell to Stephen Hope @ 6pm

##### **Wednesday 8th May**

Holy Communion MU

Corporate Communion @ 11am

##### **Sunday 12th May**

BCP Service @ 8am

Joint Morning Prayer Service @ 10am  
& APCM afterwards

#### **St Mary's**

##### **Sunday 5th May**

Holy Communion @ 10.30am

##### **Thursday 9th May**

Holy Communion for Ascension Day  
@ 7.30pm

##### **Sunday 12th May**

Join with St Martin's @ 10am & APCM

#### **St Barnabas**

##### **Sunday 5th May**

Matins @ 11am

##### **Monday 6th May**

Rogation –Beating the Bounds @ 10am  
(See Notices for details)

##### **Sunday 12th May**

Holy Communion @ 11am & APCM

### **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.