

Collect, Special Prayer for today

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus
Christ delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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.

New Testament Reading

Philippians 3. 4b-14 NT Pg: 212

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading

John 12.1-8 NT Pg: 113

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

News

Changes to Morning Prayer. From this Tuesday 9th April onwards, Morning Prayer will be at the new time of 9am not 8.45am. Note there will be no Morning Prayer during the week commencing 22nd April.

The new Anglican Electoral Roll is now on display at the back of church at St Martin's and St Mary's. Please check it and let Elizabeth Dobson know of any errors or omissions. The version of the roll that includes addresses is available for inspection in the church office.

"Sign me up!" stewardship, time and talents campaign. There are spare copies of the information pack containing the two response forms on the table by the entrance to church. If you missed Derek's sermons on 17 and 24 March, you can read more about the background to the campaign in articles in the April magazine. Do please consider prayerfully your responses, and bring the completed forms to today's 10am service or return them via the Church Office – pink (giving) forms should be in a sealed envelope. If you have any detailed questions about the forms please ask Nick or Peter.

Good Friday Walk of Witness. Peter Bruinvels needs volunteer marshals (10.40am for briefing in Dorking Halls car park by Medwyn). Can you or someone you know help? Please respond to him direct on 01306 887082 or canonbruinvels@gmail.com

Friday Lenten Lunches. On Friday's during Lent you are invited to share a frugal meal of soup, bread and cheese, and give what you might have spent - more if you wish! - towards the work of Christian Aid. Venue: **Friends' Meeting House, Butter Hill, 12.00-1.15pm.**

Easter Eggs for Send Prison. Please leave your egg in the Church Office or Christian Centre for Anne Brown to collect. Any sized egg is appreciated.

The April copy of our magazine giving full details of all services during Easter is available in church.

DEC Cyclone Idai emergency appeal. Street collection in Dorking on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th April. Anyone willing to help for an hour with the collection should sign up on the sheet at the back of church or contact Elizabeth Dobson, 01306 881479/ emddh7@hotmail.com

Fauré's Requiem. In the run-up to Easter this year, you have, not just one, but two opportunities to hear Fauré's Requiem! As well as a concert performance of the work in the evening of Good Friday, 19 April, at St Martins Church (at 7pm), the work will also be sung liturgically (as part of a special service of Holy Communion) up at St Barnabas Church at our 11am Service on Palm Sunday, 14 April. The performance at St Barnabas will be integrated into the liturgy. The evening performance at St Martin's will be a fund raiser (by retiring collection) for St Catherine's Hospice. Please do come to either (or both) of these performances!"

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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, and do join us after the 10 o'clock service for coffee.

Table Top Sale. Saturday 20th April 10am-1pm in the Christian Centre large hall. If you would like to book a table to sell your wares please contact Anne Brown 01306 884424. Tables are £10 each and all proceeds go to St Martin's and St Mary's Church.

4pm Family Service. On Easter morning (which is a 3rd Sunday) the main morning 10am Service will be a special Family Communion incorporating elements of the 4pm service; it is a wonderful chance for both congregations to worship the Risen Christ together. From May onwards the pattern resumes with the Family Service at 4pm every 3rd Sunday of the month.

Teas and Scones Day at Pixham. St Mary's Pixham is opening its meeting and activity room on Easter Monday (April 22nd) from 10.30am to 4.30pm for teas & scones. Please drop in for refreshments and a chat and perhaps take a stroll down to the mill pond. All proceeds to the Church repair fund.

Annual Plant and Cake Sale. The Christian Centre is holding its very popular annual plant and cake sale on Saturday 4th May. When you are growing your summer bedding, dividing plants or sewing seeds please put in a few extra to donate to this sale. Cakes, books, CD's, tombola prizes also greatly appreciated.

The Children's Society Boxes. Please bring in your boxes to be counted in to the Christian Centre Manager's office.

Bible Reading Fellowship: Study notes for May-August are now in pigeonholes at the back of St. Martin's. Please collect yours, Sally Lowe, 884467.

Dorking Foodbank. This week we need the following items: Tea Bags 80's, Disposable Razors, Tinned Ham and Fruit Juice. The donation point is in the Christian Centre lobby area.

The next Traidcraft dates are: 7 April, 28 April, 5 May at St Martin's and 14 April at Pixham.

News and Notices for the Weekly News Sheet are to be forwarded to the church office by the close of business on Wednesdays to stmartinsdorkingchurchoffice@gmail.com

Note that for Sunday 14th April notices only please send to Christine Francis.

Those in our congregation who have long term concerns are named in our prayer corner and are prayed for regularly.

Please remember in your prayers:
Brian Smith, Gay Fraser, Phyllis Russell, Mike Stewart, Nicola Carnegie-Floyd, Jack Judd, Paul Berning, Audrey Timmins.

And those who have recently died: Jenny Ford, Arthur Boggis.

The Funeral Service for Arthur Boggis is on Tuesday 9th April, 10.15am at Randalls Park Crematorium.



PRAYERS IN CHURCH

Morning Prayer is at 8.45am in the Lady Chapel on Monday. Starting Tuesday 9th April at the new time of 9am Monday to Thursday.

Middy prayer is on Friday at noon.

Sunday 7th April Fifth Sunday in Lent

St. Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
President: Derek Tighe

10.00am St Martin's @ 10 Family Worship
Led by: Elizabeth Dobson

6.00pm Choral Evensong for Passiontide
Led by: Chris Watts

St. Mary's

10.30am Holy Communion
President: Derek Tighe

St Barnabas

11.00am Matins
President: Mike Stewart

12.45pm Baptism of Connie Bartlett
Led by: Mike Stewart

This week

Tuesday 2.30pm Women's Fellowship,
Members' Afternoon
7.15pm Julian Meeting

Wednesday **11.00am Holy Communion**
Mothers' Union Corporate
Communion

Saturday 10.00am Dorking Gardeners Club
Coffee Morning

Sunday 14th April Palm Sunday

St Martin's

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.00am Sung Communion with Blessing of Palms, followed by APCM

St Mary's

10.30am Morning Prayer Service with Blessing of Palms

St Barnabas

11.00am Holy Communion (BCP) including Faure's Requiem sung liturgically as part of Holy Communion

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