

**Please pray for:** All those known to us who are in need of healing at this time, especially Christine Baker; young Ben; Sue Boorman; Fred Curtis; Nigel Eden; Jane Gilbert; Orla & all the Hermitage family; Kath Meredith; Emma Vickers; Roy Allen; Christine Lockton; Saxon Denning; Sarjon Toma & his family; Mick and Sue Willis.



**Please pray** for the family & friends of Gwen Garland, Bob Baker, Michael Lucas, Gordon Brown and Eve Stanley.

**Please pray** for the family & friends of Rita Handscomb who died on 21st February. Her funeral is on Monday 26th March at 1 pm in St Martin's Church.

Also please pray for:

- The Diocese of St Albans, Bishop Alan; The Bishop of Hertford, Rt. Rev'd Dr Michael Beasley; Rev'd Jim Pye & family.
- Peace in Syria, Iraq, the Ukraine, Afghanistan, Mali, Central African Republic, Nigeria, Palestine/Israel, Turkey, Yemen and South Sudan.
- Christians who are persecuted; for Open Doors and the Barnabas Fund ministering to persecuted Christians and their neighbours.
- Relief for those suffering from famines.
- All refugees.

Do you know anyone who is in hospital, or who needs a home visit? Please tell Mark Clifford 814004, William Anderson 811992 or Penny 313241.

**FOOD BANK:** Please remember the Food Bank collection bins in our Churches when doing your weekly shop. For more information see [www.stevenagecommunityfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.stevenagecommunityfoodbank.org.uk).

*If you would like prayer for a particular concern or for healing, please wait near the font in St. Martin's after the 10am service. Yvonne Denning or Janet Hammond will come to pray with you.*

Please send contributions for the leaflet by 12 noon on Thursday to the Team  
Editor email: [knebworthnews@gmail.com](mailto:knebworthnews@gmail.com) or phone Penny 313241  
This leaflet can be viewed on our website.

<http://www.knebworthparishchurch.co.uk/administration/newsitems.htm>



**Our Facebook Group is 'St Martins Knebworth'**

11 March 2018

Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday

**Welcome to St. Mary's and St Martin's**  
Knebworth Family of Churches  
*'A Church in the heart of the community, with a heart for Jesus,  
the community and each other'*  
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### Services Diary

<b>Sun 11 Mar</b>	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
	<b>10am</b>	'All Age' Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
	<b>4pm</b>	Evensong	<b>St Mary's</b>
<b>Thurs 15 Mar</b>	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
<b>Sun 18 Mar</b>	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Mary's</b>
	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
	<b>5.30pm</b>	KFC Taize Service	<b>St Martin's</b>

### Readings for this Sunday:

#### St Mary's

Psalms 13,14  
Exodus 6.2-13  
Romans 5.1-11

#### St Martin's

Luke 2.33-35

### COLLECT:

**God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Welcome to our Services today; please join us for tea or coffee after the 10am Sunday Service in St Martin's.

<b>Diary Dates</b>	
<b>12 March</b>	<b>Tomorrow</b> Prayer Meeting – Committee Room – 7.30pm
<b>19 March</b>	Prayer Meeting – Committee Room – 12pm
<b>22 April</b>	Annual Church Meetings at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre

**GDPR:** Some of you will be aware of the new regulations to come in this year regarding how people can be contacted. To keep anything correct we need to have the Church contacts forms done again. A new form is in the church already and we would like anyone to fill in one please. The form also allows you to opt into being in the Church Directory; if you do not wish to do this your details will only be used to contact you by the Rector, Churchwardens or Church Administrator. In today's digital age it is very desirable to have everyone we can on email. There are occasions when we need to let you know something – this is not used that often so you will not be bombarded with emails! **So please do take the time to fill in a form (even if you have no email) and hand it to a churchwarden or myself.**

I would really encourage you to be in the Directory so other members of the church can contact you easily. The Directory is only shared with those who wish to be in it and is not given to anyone else nor shared by them. **Penny**

**PRAYER MEETINGS DURING LENT:** There are now three more Prayer Meetings over the coming weeks where we can come together and pray; they will last no longer than 30 mins. (No one has to say any prayer if you do not wish to, just you being there is all that is needed!) There is one more midday meeting in the Parish Centre, Committee Room on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March (12pm)**. The other two will be in the evening and will be held in the same room on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March (7.30pm) and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March (7.30pm)**. We hope these varying times will be suitable for most of you so you can come to some of them during this special time of Lent. **If you can offer a lift to someone or you would like to have a lift**, please contact **Penny 313241** who will coordinate it.

**PLEASE DONATE for THE EASTER JOURNEY:** As you know we had the Easter Journey last week and we need to help raise funds for Bridge Builders Christian Trust, who supply the materials to run this; it costs £3 to cover each child. Could you please help us to raise the money to cover the children visiting our church; we had approx 135 visiting us during the week. Please see the donation envelopes available in St Martin's.

**EASTER LILIES St MARY'S** Anyone who wishes to donate towards the Easter Lilies in St Mary's in memory of family or friends please contact either Linda Mitchell 813377 or Ulrike Proff 814223 or [linda.mitchell1@ntlworld.com](mailto:linda.mitchell1@ntlworld.com)

**EASTER LILIES St MARTIN'S:** Anyone who wishes to contribute to the cost of Easter Lilies in St Martin's in memory of family or friends please see or contact **Penny 313241**; I need your donation **by Sunday 25 March** please.

**PRAYER STATIONS:** During Lent there are Prayer Stations set up in St Martin's for anyone to come in and take part by themselves.

**ANNUAL REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL:** Although it is not the year for a complete revision of the Roll, the PCC has to carry out a revision annually. If you wish to have your name added to the Electoral Roll, please complete one of the forms on the PCC notice board and hand it to Anne Purvis or Penny Paton, **by the 24<sup>th</sup> March at the latest**. If your details on the last roll have changed since, please advice before the above date.

**PCC VACANCIES:** We have three vacancies to serve on the PCC. **Will you consider being elected at the annual meetings 22 April?** (if you cannot attend you can still be elected, with your agreement). It is not a demanding position (*six meetings per year on Monday evenings*) and you would be helping to make decisions that are important to our churches. Please see Penny, Mark, William or Jim if you are feeling called to serve the church in this way or would like more info. (A copy of the last minutes can be given to you to see the kind of things that are on the agenda)

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2018** This will be the first time for decades that Saxon and Yvonne Denning won't have been overseeing the envelope collection for Christian Aid week. They have passed on excellent instructions and details of all who have been involved in previous years. I am very much hoping we can live up to all that Saxon and Yvonne have achieved in previous years. **It would be very good to have a few more collectors for this year**, 13<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May. If you might be interested, please contact **Tim Coulson on 213358 or [timcoulson56@icloud.com](mailto:timcoulson56@icloud.com)**