

**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; Jane Gilbert; Orla & all the Hermitage family; Emma Vickers; Christine Lockton; Sarjon Toma & his family; Mick and Sue Willis.



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

**Please pray for** the family & friends of Janet Gates from Constance Place. Her funeral is at Harwood Park, Monday 23rd April at 2pm.

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'**

15 April 2018

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## 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 15 April</b>	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Mary's</b>
	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
<b>Thurs 19 April</b>	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>
<b>Fri 20 April</b>	<b>3pm</b>	Mustard Seeds	<b>Parish Centre</b>
<b>Sun 22 April</b>	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Mary's</b>
	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion	<b>St. Martin's</b>

### Readings for this Sunday:

#### St Mary's

1 John 3.1-7

Luke 24.36b-48

#### St Martin's

Acts 3.12-19

1 John 3.1-7

Luke 24.36b-48

### COLLECT:

***Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. 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>21 April</b>	<i>KFC Coffee Morning, 10am-12pm in the Parish Centre</i>
<b>22 April</b>	<i>Annual Church Meetings at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre</i>
<b>23 April</b>	<i>Women's World Day of Prayer, 2pm All Saints Pin Green</i>
<b>12 May</b>	<i>Christian Aid Sponsored Walk, 9.30am Ware</i>
<b>13-19 May</b>	<i>Christian Aid Week</i>
<b>19 May</b>	<i>Thy Kingdom Come Celebration, 6.30pm St Albans Cathedral</i>

**ANNUAL MEETING REPORT PACKS:** The Annual Reports for our meeting on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April (6.30pm)** are now in both churches. As well as the accounts there are reports about other things in our church life. Could couples please share a copy to save on printing. **Penny**

**PCC VACANCIES:** We have three vacancies to serve on the PCC. **Will you consider being elected at the annual meetings on 22<sup>nd</sup> 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).

**IMPORTANT GDPR:** To comply with the new Data regulations, we need to have the Church contacts forms done again. **We do need everyone to fill in one now please.** (*Yes, even the Rector has done one too!*) 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. 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! **Please fill in a form (even if you have no email) and hand it to a churchwarden or myself.** This is a big task we have to do and your **prompt** assistance will greatly help us get compliant. **Thank you, Penny.**

**NEW CAR PARK NOTICES AT ST MARTIN'S:** The PCC has reluctantly decided to employ a car park management company to charge unauthorised users who use the car park. Please do not worry about this.

No-one will be charged who is attending the church, parish centre or graveyard.

**LIVING ROOM QUIZ NIGHT:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April at All Saints Church, the Oval, 7.30-10.30pm. Tickets £6.50 from [www.livingroomherts.org/events](http://www.livingroomherts.org/events) or at The Living Room, 8-10 The Glebe, Chells Way, Stevenage SG2 0DJ. More details from the above website or see poster in St Martin's.

**CHRISTIAN AID SPONSORED WALK:** Last year, seven Knebworth walkers joined the sponsored half-marathon in East Herts organised by Christian Aid and raised £1,063 for the charity. If you would like to join a similar group this year, please note that the event will take place on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May, starting and finishing at Wodson Park Sports Centre in Ware at 9.30am. Over the years, the event has raised over £500,000 for Christian Aid. For further details, please contact **Kay Pitt** at [www.christianaidwalk.org](http://www.christianaidwalk.org) or email [kaypitt40@gmail.com](mailto:kaypitt40@gmail.com)

**ST ALBANS CATHEDRAL EVENT:** Thy Kingdom Come Beacon Celebration will take place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 6.30pm in the Cathedral. The Celebration, which will be attended by Archbishop Justin Welby, is one of many Thy Kingdom Come events taking place around the country and will be a collaboration between Soul Survivor Watford, local and national youth organisations, ecumenical partners, the Diocese of St Albans and the Cathedral. The celebration will welcome Christians of all denominations. Entry is free. Prayer and fun activities will run from 4pm and more details should be available soon. It is for all ages, please do make a note of the date; it will also be a fabulous opportunity to be inspired to pray that others may come to know Jesus Christ.

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** The postponed service for 2018 will now be going ahead at 2pm on **Monday 23 April** at All Saints Church, The Oval, starting with refreshments at 1pm. See poster up in St Martin's.