



St Martin of Tours Chelsfield

*St Martin's worships and serves a loving God,
reaching out to the community in the name of Jesus Christ.*

Notices for Sunday 10 March 2019

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*The Revd Ruth Murfitt will celebrate Holy Communion at 8.00am.
There will be a Sung Eucharist (BCP) at 6.30pm.*

The Collects

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ did fast forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to thy Spirit; and, as thou knowest our weakness, so may we know thy power to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Psalm and readings for today's services:

Ps 91:1-2,9-end Deut 26:1-11 Rom 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13

Please let Revd John know of anyone who is ill or in distress.

Next week

Thursday 14 March

7.00pm.....Prayers for Renewal

Sunday 17 March

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00am.....Holy Communion

10.00am.....Family Communion (Revd Ruth Murfitt)

6.30pm.....Evensong (Les Jackson)

Frugal Lent Lunch Every Sunday in Lent (except Mothering Sunday), commencing **TODAY**. There is a sign-up sheet at the South door. Janet and Revd John invite you to join them at the Rectory and share a quiet reflective lunch of soup and bread. It is suggested that you donate the cost of a Sunday lunch to a charity which helps relieve poverty in the poorer nations. All welcome.

Lent course: 'Coming Together' Every Tuesday morning and evening during Lent, commencing on **Tuesday 12 March**. 10.00 am at All Souls', Pratts Bottom, or 8.00 pm in the Ede Lounge at St Mary's, Green Street Green. Session 1 on 12 March will focus on personal memories. All welcome. No need to book – just turn up. See magazine for details.

Ladies Group Tuesday 12 March. 8.00 pm in the Brass Crosby Room. An evening 'in conversation' with Revd John. Hosted by Eileen Vassie. New members and guests welcome.

Deanery Synod Wednesday 13 March. 7.30 pm for 7.45 pm at St Mark's Biggin Hill TN16 3LB. 'Ministry Today': a chance to find out about ministry and vocations. All welcome.

Treasures of St Martin Saturday 16 March. 11.00 am to 1.00 pm in the church. A talk by Ann Blatcher on the history and contents of St Martin's, including records and registers dating back to 1538. Tickets £5. Proceeds to Chelsfield Players' Edinburgh Festival Fringe Fund. To reserve a place email info@chelsfieldplayers.org

New Electoral Roll The Electoral Roll is being completely revised this year. If you wish to be on the new roll you must complete and return an application form (available at the South door) by **30 March**.