

Please pray for: All those known to us who are in need of healing at this time, especially young Ben; Sue Boorman; Jane Gilbert, Orla & her family; Sarjon Toma & his family; Mick & Sue Willis; Alan Montgomery; Anne Onyett; Jane Kerr-Reid as she receives chemotherapy, Christine Wilson (Kath Meredith's daughter); Brian (Ron Smith's brother) who is very ill with cancer.



Please pray for the family & friends of all bereaved families and especially the friends and family of Fred Curtis, Isabel Smith (Ron Smith's mother) John Handscomb and Angie Williams.

Please pray for the family and friends of Olive Montgomery who died peacefully, surrounded by her family, on Sunday 6th January. Her funeral will be at St Martin's Church on Wednesday 30th January from 1 pm.

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 & their families.
- Peace in Syria, Iraq, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Mali, Central African Republic, Nigeria, Palestine/Israel, Turkey, Yemen, Myanmar 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, earthquakes and tsunamis.
- All Refugees.

Do you know anyone in hospital, or who needs a home visit? Please tell Rev'd Jim Pye 817396, Mark Clifford 814004, William Anderson 811992 or Penny.

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.

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 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'

13 January 2019

Epiphany 2

Welcome to St. Mary's and St Martin's

'A Church in the heart of the community, with a heart for Jesus, the community and each other'

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Services Diary

Sun 13 Jan	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Martin's
	10.00 am	Informal Communion	St. Martin's
	4.00pm	Evensong	St Mary's
Thurs 17 Jan	10.00 am	Holy Communion	St Martin's
Sun 20 Jan	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.00 am	Holy Communion	St. Martin's
	11.30 am	KFC United Service & bring & Share lunch	St Thomas More

Readings for this Sunday:

St Mary's

Psalm 46

Isaiah 55.1-11

Romans 6.1-11

St Martin's

Acts 8.14-17

Luke 3.15-22

COLLECT: Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

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

Diary Dates	
19 Jan	<i>KFC coffee morning, 10am-12pm, Parish Centre</i>
20 Jan	<i>United Service for Christian Unity St Thomas More, 11.30 am, followed by a Bring and Share Lunch</i>
21-26 Jan	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity midday prayers, Parish Centre</i>
27 Jan	<i>Service for Holocaust Memorial Day, 12pm, Trinity</i>
27 April	<i>Vinesong concert 7.30pm St Martin's Church</i>

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2019: In 2018, there was a team of 38 who delivered and collected envelopes for Christian Aid week. We have a few retirements this year (some after 30 years' involvement!) so are looking for new volunteers during the week 12-18 May. If you might be interested, please contact Tim Coulson on 213358 or timcoulson56@icloud.com

FOOD BANK: We received via KFC an email from John Mead who is from the local food bank. In part of his email he wrote: In 2018 we fed in excess of 2000 people. After Waitrose in Stevenage Old Town the combined efforts of the churches in Knebworth are our second major income of donations. The villages generosity is amazing! Please thank all the churches.

PARISH CENTRE HOUSEKEEPER:

A New Year is here please can someone help with this very necessary job during 2019?

We have a vacancy for a Parish Centre Housekeeper. This mainly involves a weekly task (**carried out when it suits you**) of checking the supplies and topping up from the supplies cupboard if needed, also purchasing (with reimbursement) when necessary. The supplies are coffee, tea, biscuits, bin bags, washing up liquid etc. For the Parish Centre to function well and for us to have coffee & tea after Sunday services it is a task we really need someone for. Is that someone you?

Please see Penny, Mark, or Jim.

CHURCH CLOSED: We are sorry that it is necessary to have St Martins Church closed for a short period whilst the library move is taking place. Once they are ready the church will be open during library opening hours. Both now and then we will be open for all our services.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: Led prayers will take place in the Parish Centre Committee Room at 12.00pm each day from **Monday 21st to Saturday 26th January** for about 40 minutes. Please come to one of these if you can! Some booklets will be available for a £1 donation if you want to follow the course at home. You can also access the material here <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-resources>. **Liz Graham**

KFC CAROLS: We have been asked to let you know that the KFC Carol singing raised £104 for Crisis and the Advent service approx. £250.

EASTER JOURNEY: We are hosting the Easter Journey this year from Monday 11th March – Friday 15th March. If you can offer to help on some of these days, the sessions are mostly in the mornings, we would love to chat to you about what is involved. Please speak to Jim, Mark, William or Penny.

Please pray for all the preparations that need to be done to enable the Easter Journey to take place, the children who will be coming from four schools, their teachers and our church volunteers.

VINESONG LIVE AT ST MARTIN'S: We are hosting a Vinesong concert at St Martin's on **Saturday 27th April** at 7.30pm. This is being organised by Knebworth Family of Churches. There will be no charge, a freewill offering will be taken for their 'Mission Fund'. This should be a very good evening so do put it into your diaries now! If you are not familiar with Vinesong's music 'google' them and listen to a clip.

