St Martin's Church

21st April 2024

8.30am Holy Communion Revd Sue Pendenque

10.30am All Age Cafe Church Think Tank Revd Sue Pendenque

Isaiah 54.2-4 Isaiah 54.11-15

Coming up

A St Martin's think-tank Come and join us this Sunday at our services -where we will be dreaming, thinking and listening to God as a church - for our future. Everybody counts!

Morning Prayer Facebook; 9am Mon- Fri

Prayer ministry In the Chancel after 10.30am Sunday services for anyone with a need for themselves or others to bring this together before God.

Growing and Going in the love of God

Upcoming Readings

28th April 5th May

Genesis 12.1-3 Acts 2. 22-33 Eph 1.1-14 Eph 1.15-23 Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left

Isaiah 54.2-3

Notices

For your prayers during the coming weeks – Mike Wilkin, Judith Swift, Gillian Hickman, Jodee Best, Frances Clayden and Karine Thornhill **Coffee at Brookfields** - The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 20th April at 11.00 a.m. meeting at Brookfields. As The Men's Group have arranged a walk on that date, this may affect some ladies wanting to attend for coffee, so anyone requiring a lift to Brookfields please contact Judith Milbourn.

Men's Group walk - This Saturday we will meet at 9.30am in the church car park then travel to Cromford in Derbyshire for a 5-6 mile walk. All are welcome – please let Glenn Hickson know so we know numbers for car sharing.

Revision of St Martin's Electoral Roll 2024 - In preparation for our Annual Meeting we are updating our Electoral Roll – The final date for receiving completed application forms is this Sunday; 21st April 2024. If you are already on our Electoral Roll you will automatically be transferred onto the new roll. If you are not on the Electoral Roll you are welcome to apply.

Being on the Electoral Roll is a way of saying 'I belong' to St Martin's Sherwood, and also gives an indication of the membership and strength of the church. You will also be able to vote at our Annual Parochial Church Meeting and stand for the Parochial Church Council should you wish to be involved with the running and decision making of the church. Application forms, giving eligibility are available on the website or at the back of church. Completed forms should be placed in the locked box marked Electoral Roll Forms which is at the back of church or e mailed to stmsherwood@gmail.com marked Electoral Roll. Thanks. Julie Day, Electoral Roll Officer. **Thy Kingdom Come 2024** - 10 days of prayer: 9th -19th May.

There are many ways to get involved in prayer during TKC this year. Special dates for your diary:

Weds 8th May - 9pm: Bow Down in Market Square; join Christians from across Notts for a short time of public prayer and worship. *Weds 15th May - 7pm:* Time to talk and listen to God at St Martin's monthly prayer evening.

Thurs 16th May -7pm: Prayer and Worship at Vineyard Church uniting Nottingham's churches.

If you'd like to be involved in taking the offer of prayer out into Sherwood and have ideas as to how we can do this, please meet after the 10.30 service this Sunday, 21st April to plan for this.

Thanks everyone! - Sue Estella

Notice of intention to hold an annual meeting – The St Martin's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held at church on 12th May 2024. For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows:

- 2 representatives to the Deanery Synod.
- 5 representatives to the Parochial Church Council.

Sunday children's ministry at St Martin's – We are so grateful for everyone who has served with our children's team on Sunday and during the week. Thank you! We are now at a point where long serving members are stepping back and we need some vibrant new session leaders and helpers. Full training will be given, and Gill will smile from ear to ear! Please pray whether God might be calling you into this area of ministry and chat with Gill.

Used Stamps - the Cancer Research stamp collection basket remains in the foyer, please drop any you have in.

Our church vision

To be a church of all ages, transformed by the love of Christ: partnering with our local community to nurture God's kingdom of welcome, hope, and social justice, for the flourishing of our community, city and world.

St Martín's four Core Practices

- Worship God
- Cultivate Community
- Live Generously
- Make a difference

Serving on Sunday – our services are welcoming and give a wonderful sense of the church family to people who attend, this is down in no small part to the ten people who volunteer to welcome people in and serve tea and coffee afterwards to us all. If you think you could serve in this way please contact stmsherwood @gmail.com or mention it to a member of the leadership team any time. There are no skills needed and it's a lovely social opportunity.

Arnold Foodbank -our collection box is under the table in the church foyer. Here's their up to date list of foods they're looking for: Tinned meat/meals eg corned beef, ham, tinned tuna/fish, hotdogs, meatballs, minced beef, chicken in white sauce etc, pasta sauce/tomatoes, tinned veg - especially peas, carrots and sweetcorn, cooking oil, tinned soup, jam, tinned fruit, chocolate treats and snacks, rice pudding and custard, tea and coffee - particularly small 100g jars and 40 teabags, shampoo, razors and deodorant

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