



ST MARTIN'S BARNEHURST

PARISH NEWSLETTER

JULY 2025

Eucharist services each week at 10.30am followed by refreshments
The next non eucharist Family Service will be on **13th July** when we welcome back
Reverend Jane Winter
All services are followed with refreshments

Father Gareth is on sabbatical until 24th August.

For information about St Martin's you can visit our website at www.aChurchNearYou.com/saint-martins-barnehurst

Email st.martins.barnehurst@gmail.com for parish matters or contact st.martins.hall@gmail.com for hall bookings.

For any pastoral matters please contact Julie Bowen on 01322 523344

In July we ask you to pray for everyone living or working in Appleton Close, Barnehurst Road, Brantwood Road, Hornbeam Lane, Lyndhurst Close, Lyndhurst Road, Randolph Close, Risedale Road, Rudland Road, Station Approach, Three Corners and Lingwood

In August we remember anyone living or working in Brummel Close, Epsom Close, Mayplace Close, Mayplace Road East, Miller Court, Old Barn Way and The Vyne

We also ask you to remember the following in your prayers and keep them in your thoughts: Andrew, Angela, Charlotte, David, Elizabeth, Joan, John, Joyce, Keith, Lucy, Mary, Mike, Neil, Rob, and all who are suffering in body, mind and spirit.

If you have any specific prayer requests or an approaching significant special event, please let us know when so that we can add it to our prayer list at the appropriate time.

GOSPELS FOR JULY

6 th July 2025	Luke 10: 1 - 20
13 th July 2025	Luke 10: 25 – 37
20 th July 2025	Luke 10 : 38 to end
27 th July 2025	Luke 11: 1 - 13

GOSPELS FOR AUGUST

3 rd August 2025	Luke 12: 13 - 21
10 th August 2025	Luke 12: 32 – 40
17 th August 2025	Luke 12:49 - 56
24 th August 2025	Luke 22: 24 – 30
31 st August 2025	Luke 14: 7 - 14

COLLECT FOR JULY

O Lord we beseech thee mercifully to hear us, and grant that we, to whom thou hast given a hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

COLLECT FOR AUGUST

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FROM THE ARCHIVES..... St. Martin's Church is built on land which was previously a gravel pit in the nineteenth century and the first building to be put up was not the church but the church hall. This was dedicated by the Bishop of Rochester on 29th February 1936 with services beginning there the following week.

The church was consecrated by the Bishop of Rochester on 14th November 1936.

Above the west door there is a figure of St Martin by the sculptor Nathaniel Hitch.

Building costs were £8,677 but these were reduced to £2,500 with financial assistance from the Diocese

The church remains basically the same today although the Maxim Room and additional offices were added in 1991



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CONGRATULATIONS to Vicky Whitehead who has been awarded the 2025 Bexley Community Star Award with Bexley Voluntary Service Council for the time and commitment she gives to Girlguiding

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX MASS

St Martin's welcomes Bexley's Ukrainian residents as they hold mass each Sunday from 1pm to 3pm. The mass is in Ukrainian and is led by an Orthodox Priest or Presbyter

REMINDERS

POSTAGE STAMPS AND PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES -
Please keep saving these. Collecting boxes are in the church and hall

GARDENING WORKING PARTIES - If you can help to keep our grounds tidy please contact Phil:
Philip.church@virgin.net

The Newsletter will be taking a break during the summer and will be back on 1st September

Contact st.martins.mag@gmail.com to add or remove someone from the mailing list or if you have anything that you would like included in the next issue

Our Tuesday Coffee Shop is closed during August and will reopen on 2nd September

CAMEO (MU)

Monday 14th July 7.30pm – All about books. Bring your reviews and recommendations to share

Saturday 9th August – Mary Sumner Day pilgrimage.
9.30am start

Monday 11th August - Strawberry Tea at St.Paulinus

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH MONTHLY DRAW

£1 Per ticket

Drawn at the end of each month

Funds are split between the draw winners and church funds

Email: stmartins.monthlydraw@gmail.com

for more information



Karen, Heather and David at the Christian Aid Walk last month