Welcome<sup>2</sup> St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

**Address** 

**Postcode** 

Telephone

**Email** 

Today's date

Please tick:

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St Alphege, Seasalter

Editor:

Paula Dean, email: deaneves@msn.com Deadline is Midnight Tuesday

Tear from this leaflet and pass to a member of the Welcome Team Thank you



Name of Welcomer:

### Prayer at the Heart

Angela. Terry Chapman, being treated for prostate cancer. Derek Hill on the death of his wife Linda, their sons Barry and Dave and their families, also Jill and Rob Freeman who have been long-standing friends of the Hill family. Rosalind Drewitt, whose heart has gone back into atrial fibrillation. Tess Canavan. David Harwood, to continue to make good progress after his hip replacement. Dennis Spinner and family. Andrea Harte. Beryl Clarke- for a good recovery following her operation. Helen Maya, (aunt of Keiren) diagnosed with cancer. Angela, Stella's daughter, receiving treatment for breast cancer.

During March we will be praying for those living in Sceptre Way, April Rise and Sandpiper Road.

**Prayer Needs**: (Immediate needs – 2-4 weeks, long term needs – 3 months.)

Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet; Rev. Ann Moreton 277140;

Carol Judge 277752; David and Lynda Kemp 272470, or Rev. Steve Coneys 276795.



St Alphege, Seasalter ~ making disciples of Christ, growing the church of God



# Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 26 March 2017 4th Sunday of Lent

Today's Readings: Jeremiah 1.4 - 12; John 12.1 - 8

#### What a shower...

From  $\underline{1 \text{ April} - 22 \text{ April}}$  we welcome a **YWAM** (Youth With A Mission) team. They are led by Georgie Taylor and her colleagues Sam and Clare. Georgie is the daughter of my predecessor at Seasalter, Philip Taylor. They will be sleeping at SCC.

However there are no showers at SCC, so I am asking if you are prepared to welcome team members in small groups for a shower at any point in their stay! There are about 14 of them so obviously this will be managed sensibly.

Thank you for letting me know ASAP.



### Anyone for Service?

St Alphege, Seasalter's Annual Meeting 2017

The Shift, our Annual Church Meeting 2017, will be at the Christian Centre on Monday 10 April at 7.30pm. We shall give thanks to the Lord for all that has happened over the last, action packed year, get a sense of where we are now, and seek God for the future.

#### Do please come to this meeting.

We need some servants. This year there are 3 vacancies for our Church Council (the 'DCC'). There are 2 places on the Team Council (the 'PCC'). There are 4 vacancies on the Deanery Synod for three years. (If you are a member of the Deanery synod/PCC you are automatically a member of the DCC too.) We elect the two Churchwardens each year, and two Deputy Wardens.

If you want to serve any of these ways, pick up a green Anyone for Service leaflet in church today

### **Renew and Restore**

#### Saturday 8 April

#### **Evening of Prayer for Renew and Restore**

(6 - 9 pm at the Old Church; 9 - midnight at SCC)

#### The Old Church Gift Day Sunday 16 April

See the plans at: https://portal.lee-evans.co.uk:443/sharing/eq5uy5lNj

The Old Church is a precious resource. We believe we are called in our generation to reorder the inside of the building for these two purposes:

#### Renewal

The vision is to renew the Old Church as a place of **prayer** and **encounter with God**. Our vision is for the church to be a resource, not just for us at Seasalter, but for the area and region – a place of retreat, a place of prayer, worship and rest.

#### Restoration

Dating from 1140, the building is a chancel – the part of a church originally reserved for the clergy and the Communion Table. In our time the church has been much loved, but also cluttered and in some ways not fit for purpose. It is cramped for traditional style worship and inflexible for more informal Bible study, prayer and reflection. The reordering will restore a sense of the Old Church's simple beauty as a place offered to God and all who seek him.

#### Gift Day

We invite the church family prayerfully to support Renew and Restore so that the church can be reordered during 2017. If you'd like to see what is planned have a word with Lynda Kemp.



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#### **Confirmation 2017**

The Deanery Confirmation is in Herne Bay on Saturday 20 May 6 pm, St Bartholomew, Herne Bay.

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Let Steve or Fabian know if you would like to be Confirmed.

## At Seasalter Christian Centre



Easter Family Fun - Wednesday 5 April

Family Film - Sunday 9 April Easter Eggstra - Tuesday 11 April and Wednesday 12 April For more information about the above see the Noticeboard at SCC or visit the website www.stalphegeseasalter.org or visit the Facebook Page.

#### **Guide Dog Quiz Night**

#### Friday 8 April

1900 hrs for 1930 start

- £5 per head
- Raffle
- Bring your own food

Contact Laura Drew at Abbot House Nursery to book a table or ring 07971609388



#### **Bacon Roll Sunday 9 April**

A chance for the congregations to meet



and chat over a bacon roll. Stav after 8.45 or come early to 11 o'clock. Please sign up today so we know how many rolls to buy.

#### **Maundy Thursday Encounter**

A bring and share meal will form part of our Maundy Thursday Encounter at the Christian Centre on 13 April from 6.30 - 8.00. pm. If you would like to come, please add your name to the



sign-up sheet in church today. If you would like to help in the kitchen, please speak to Carol or Kathy.



Can you help spring clean the Christian Centre Ready for Easter and our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



On **Saturday 1 April 9.30 -12.30** 

Come all morning or for just an hour. Refreshments provided!



#### Christian Aid in Whitstable 2017



Christian Aid Week is Sunday 14 May – Saturday 20 May. The opening Service is at Seasalter Christian Centre at 6 pm on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. All Christians and people concerned with hunger in the world are invited.

Can your church put on one or more events in the coming year to raise money for Christian Aid? A quiz evening can raise up to £700 and a coffee morning £200.

If you are imaginative and would like to be part of Christian Aid planning in Whitstable, please contact Keith McNicol keithmcnicol2@gmail.com

#### **BGP - Happy Periods for All**

There has been a lot in the media recently about period poverty and the link to girls in the UK bunking off school. To help those most in need there is going to be a collection for sanitary protection on **Saturday 1st April at St Alphege Church, High Street, Whitstable, between 9am and 12 noon** (not fooling you)! We would be grateful if you could support this.

Here is some info about where I'll be sending what we collect - I'll be delivering to a contact centre in Thanet that they work with.

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http://bloodygood-period.com/home/4593660045

Best wishes and thank you, Deirdre Bond





... TO EAT FOOD!!

## Men's steak night

Tuesday
28 March
at the
Peter Cushing
(Wetherspoon's)
in town starting
at
1930 hrs

#### Can you help?

Good quality grey trousers, white shirts, polo shirts, games kits etc. to fit a couple of 12/13 year old boys in need of clothing for secondary school. - unbadged stuff would be great. Please contact either Keith Berry or David Hartwell if you can help.

K.Berry@diocant.org;
dc.hartwell@btinternet.com





A short 3-week series from Sunday 19th March

26 March,4 <sup>th</sup> of Lent	Jeremiah 1.4 – 12 John 12.1 – 8	Stir up: calling and passion
2 April, 5 <sup>th</sup> of Lent	Joel 2.28 – 32 and 1 Thessalonians 5.12 – 24	Cheer up: character and care

#### 40 Days / 40 Voices: Conversations on the Road to Jerusalem

Rather than producing a traditional-style Lent course in 2017 we have produced a daily devotional called 40 Days / 40 Voices. Each day in Lent a different person from the Diocese will offer their response to a part of the biblical story charting Jesus' journey to Jerusalem from Luke 9:51 all the way to Luke 23:56. The reflections include words, poems, artwork, photography, music. Each day's response will take the form of a daily email which will include the scripture for the day and the reflection.

Sign up to receive the 40 Days / 40

Voices daily devotional email at www.canterburydiocese.org/lent



Please join us at the Canterbury, Herne Bay, Sittingbourne and Whitstable

#### **Street Pastors**

Commissioning and Celebration Service

of our new trainees

7pm on Friday 31st March 2017

#### **Riverside Church**

(Thanet Way, Whitstable CT5 3JQ)

the 5 new Whitstable Beach Pastors, all from Seasalter, are: Mike Barnett, Helen Prettyjohn, Michael Page, Mark Arnold and Elaine Oakley

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Visit our website at www.stalphegeseasalter.org

### Easter worship at Seasalter

#### Palm Sunday, 9 April

**Palm Sunday Pilgrimage** from the 1100 service to the Old Church (5 minutes' walk) (if weather is fair)

**Bring some foliage to wave!** We start at SCC and finish the service at the Old Church.

#### Maundy Thursday, 13 April

Pesach: the Maundy Meal, 6.30 - 9.00 pm.

Bring and share hot dishes followed by cheese/fruit

#### **Good Friday 14 April**

**The Walk of Witness** starts at 0945 am at St John's Swalecliffe; you can pick it up at the Harbour around 1030 am, and it finishes at St Alphege Church around 11.00 am

The Last Hour 2 – 3 pm at the Old Church

A guiet service with music as we 'wait with Christ'

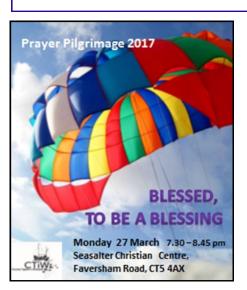
#### Easter Day 16 April

#### The Service of Light

7 am at Seasalter Beach (where Faversham Road turns left along the seafront) Followed by breakfast back at the Christian Centre

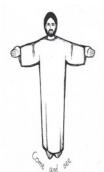
#### He is Risen!

0845 am Holy Communion, 1010 am Lighthouse (30 minutes for young families) and 1100 am Communion for all ages at the Christian Centre, with 11.15 am traditional Holy Communion at the Old Church



## Week of Accompanied Prayer

Sunday 7 May - Saturday 13 May



Hosted at St Alphege Church Whitstable

Application forms are available in church, or Pam Field, 56 Queens Rd, Whitstable, CT5 2JQ. Ask Steve Coneys for your application form

#### **ASHBURNHAM 2017**

Church Weekend 10 – 12 November

All Room Prices Reduced - by up to £15!





Ann Morisy has been confirmed as the Speaker. Ann is a community theologian and the author of the best-selling books Beyond the Good Samaritan, Journeying Out and Bothered and Bewildered. She lectures widely and leads workshops, both in the UK and abroad. She writes about issues in a way that people 'find hard to put down', and in a manner that enables them to incorporate the ideas into their practice.

Booking Forms now available in Church or by email from keith.berry@yahoo.co.uk

#### HERNE BAY UMBRELLA CENTRE NEED YOU TO

#### **VOTE FOR GREEN MINDS**

By voting for Green Minds you will:

- Expand our current gardening groups for mental health
- Teach our group to grow food, healthy eating and cooking
- Stop the stigma associated with mental health

Vote for Green Minds at: thepeoplesprojects.org.uk Voting closes at noon on Monday 3 April 2017



### What's on during the week ...

At the **Old Church** at 9.15 am, Morning Prayer on Tuesday and Friday, Holy Communion on Wednesday. Sunday Services at the Old Church are held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11.15 am (BCP Holy Communion).

**Team Evening Prayer** - at All Saints in March.

Open Door Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.45 am at SCC.

**Social Games Afternoon** Friday 2 - 4 pm at SCC. If you have a favourite board or card game please bring it along. Refreshments available.

**Prayerpoint** on Fridays - join us for intercessory prayer, 6 pm - 7pm at SCC. When prayer is at the heart we see God moving. All welcome, please come ...

**Silent Prayer of the Heart** on Fridays at 8 pm for 30 minutes

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion; 1010 Lighthouse; 1100 All-age service.