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

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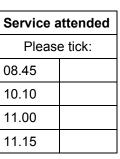
**Address** 

**Postcode** 

Telephone

**Email** 

Today's date





St Alphege, Seasalter

Editor:

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:

Want to help one of our church family obtain her university degree? Lucy Metcalfe's dissertation includes conducting a survey about the impact of fake news and how the general public views the media. Please go online and complete the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SS7JZSG

Come and enjoy an evening of brass band music with Whitstable Brass.



St. Andrew's Church, Grimshill Road, CT5 4LH Tuesday 3 April at 7.45 pm Tickets £5

**BREAKING NEWS:** Abbot House Nursery has been chosen as the charity partner for the Southern Cooperative food store in Faversham Road, Seasalter, as part of their community initiative, Love Your Neighbourhood. The fundraising partnership will begin on 14 March 2018 and the end date will be 31 January 2019.





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# Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 25 March 2018 Holy week - Palm Sunday

Today's Readings: Psalm 118.1 - 2; Mark 11.1 - 11

[Please take these notices home with you to read at your leisure!]

Our Annual Church Meeting will be at the Christian Centre on Monday 9 April, 7.30 p.m. We shall give thanks to the Lord for all that has happened over the last, action packed year.

### Do please come to this meeting.

We need some servants. This year there are the usual **3** vacancies for our Church Council (the 'DCC'). There are **2** places on the Team Council (the 'PCC') and **1** place on the Deanery Synod. (If you are a member of the PCC or the Deanery Synod you are automatically a member of the DCC too.) We re-elect the Churchwardens each year, and two Deputy Wardens.

If you want to serve in any of these ways, there is a nomination form "Anyone for service" on the table at the back.

Thank you Alison and Lynda Churchwardens





### **Electoral Roll**

"Formal" membership of the

church means putting your name on the Electoral Roll. If you add your name, you are saying that you support our church and its work, and that you are happy to show your support through your giving - not just of money, but of yourself, your time and your gifts, in service to God and his church. Being on the Electoral Roll enables you to vote at the Annual Meeting.

You can get a form by asking the Electoral Roll officer, **Elaine Oakley**, or either churchwarden, Lynda Kemp or Alison Fuller.

The deadline for applications is Sunday 8 April



### Maundy Thursday Bring/Share Meal

Thursday 29 March, 6.30 - 9.30 pm Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church with what you would like to bring.

We will provide bread rolls to accompany the meal.

If anyone is available to help in the kitchen, that would be great.

### **Daytime Encounter**

Exactly what it says - Encounter in the daytime!



Monday 26 March at 2.30 pm

Holy Communion led by Ann Moreton



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Friday 13th April 2018

# Spring Family Fun

12 noon until 2.30pm



A fun session for all the family! (Children must be accompanied



Toys, Games, Craft Activities and refreshments Children over 3 years £2 Children under 3 years 50p Adults £1



### 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 St John's during March

Open Door Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.30 am at SCC.

**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

## Prayer at the Heart

### Immediate needs

The family of Peggy Simpkin. Alan Shaxted, recovering after a fall.

Peter Wade (Pat's husband) with cellulitis. David Stuart, whose wife

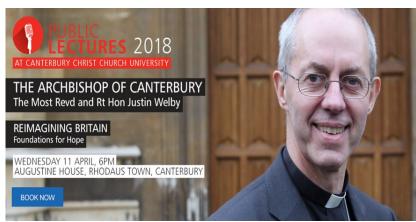
Rita died recently. Margaret Edwards, who has had a fall and broken her pelvis
and wrist. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from
illness. Beryl Davies, following a fall. Alan Carnell. Tess.

### Long term needs

Gill Campbell. Susan (Donald's niece/Joanna's cousin) diagnosed with breast cancer. Eileen Wakeling (Rosemary Simmonds' friend) undergoing chemotherapy for lymphoma cancer. Ann Shuttle. Cyril (Carol Crocombe's brother-in-law). Rosemarie, following a major bowel operation. Diane (Beryl Davies' daughter). Angela (Stella's daughter) having continuing problems regarding her breast cancer. Hannah Evans' father-in-law, Roger, diagnosed with heart failure. Jill Freeman. During March we will be praying for those living in Ashley Drive, Gateacre Road and Milner 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; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470

Phil and Vanessa Farnham would like to say a **huge thank you** to our church family for praying for us following Phil's successful knee operation.



To book:

http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/events/public-lectures/the-archbishops-public-lecture.aspx

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# The Archbishops' Public Lecture -Wednesday 11 April at 6 pm

### **Vacancy Update**

We are pleased to updated you that the DCC made good progress in its prayerful discussions at our meeting this week about the appointment of our next Minister. After prayerful consideration and with the full support of Bishop Trevor and Archdeacon Jo, we have agreed that we should expand the person description in our parish profile to include the possibility that this might be a first incumbency for our next minister, or in other words that someone might come her to minister after their curacy. We have been encouraged in our discernment to think about what leadership and life experience any applicant might bring to us from their career before ordination and how this also equips them for ministry. To open up that possibility, and to make this clear to those who might see this vacancy, we will be advertising for a Team Vicar, rather than Team Rector. We will therefore be making some amendments to our parish profile and amending our advertisement, which will not be re-advertised until late May/early June. That is to enable curates who will complete their curacies this summer to be able to apply. This, of course, does not mean that a priest who is already an incumbent might not apply in response to our new ad as well. Can we than you all again for the many ways that you are taking up extra tasks and supporting DCC members and other lay leaders in this time of interregnum. We are also very, very grateful fro the leadership of our curate, Fabian. Please continue to hold him and us all in your prayers. With the support of Bishop Trevor, Archdeacon Jo will be taking up the conversation in our team about the appointment of a Team Rector. More of that in the next weeks. Please see the Wardens if you have any questions about any of this. The DCC is very hopeful about the way ahead and the journey God is leading us on and we invite you to bee too and to continue with use in prayer as we seek our new Vicar.

### **Prayer during the Vacancy**

God our Father,
You call us to be the body of Christ here.
Send your Holy Spirit at this time of change;
Fill us with vision, energy
And faithfulness in prayer.
May this vacancy be a time of
Deeper love and fellowship,
As you guide us with your heavenly wisdom.
Help us to choose the one
Who will share with us in your perfect plans.
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

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## Easter worship at Seasalter

### Maundy Thursday, 29 March

**Pesach: the Maundy Meal**, 6.30 – 9.00 pm. Bring and share hot dishes followed by cheese/fruit

### **Good Friday 30 March**

**The Walk of Witness** starts at 9.30 am at St John's Swalecliffe; you can pick it up at the Harbour around 11.00 am, and it finishes at St Alphege Church, Whitstable as usual.

The Last Hour 2 – 3 pm at the Old Church A quiet service with music as we 'wait with Christ'

### Easter Day 1 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

# OYSTER SINGERS SPRING CONCERT

Sunday 29 April 2018 at 3.30 pm

Whitstable Community College Theatre Bellevue Road, Whitstable, CT5 1PX http://www.oystersingers.webeden.co.uk/ Price £7.50

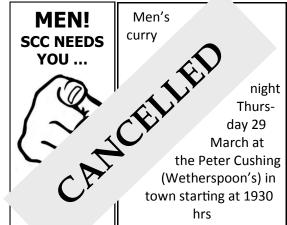
(any profits go to our charity of the year SERV Blood Runners

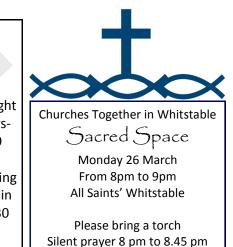
### Third Agers - for your diaries

Monthly two-course lunch on the following dates: 11 May, 8 June, 13 July, 17 August, 24 September, 12 October, 16 November, 7 December. All at 12.30 pm. Cost £5 per person.

Please note: The Wednesday 2pm Bible Study is being held weekly through Lent.







Said prayer from 8.45 pm to 9pm

