Welcome² St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Today's date

St Alphege, Seasalter

08.45

10.10 11.00

11.15

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.

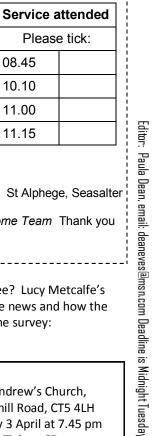


St. Andrew's Church, Grimshill Road, CT5 4LH Tuesday 3 April at 7.45 pm Tickets £5

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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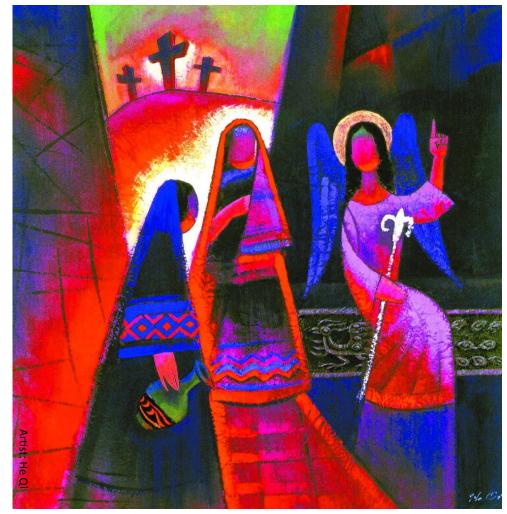
Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 1 April 2018

Easter Sunday

Today's Readings: Acts 10.34 - 43; John 20.1 - 18

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

He is risen!



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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

Vacancy Update

We are pleased to updated you that the DCC made good progress in its prayerful discussions at our recent meeting 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.



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

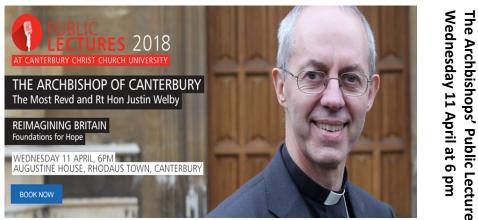
Phil Farnham, recovering following a knee operation. The family of Peggy Simpkin. Alan Shaxted, still in hospital following a fall. Peter Wade (Pat's husband) with cellulitis. David Stuart, whose wife Rita died recently. Margaret Edwards, who has had a fall and broken her pelvis and wrist. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Beryl Davies, following a fall. Alan Carnell. Tess.

Long term needs

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 April we will be praying for those living in Wauchope Road, Foxdene Road, Saltern Place and Kimberley Grove.

Prayer Needs: (Immediate needs – 2-4 weeks, long term needs – 3 months.) Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet; Rev. Ann

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

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



Congratulations!

Paul and Lynn Newman are now grandparents! Verity was born at 3 pm on 22 March.



SEASALTER YOUTH WEEKEND AWAY



July 6th-8th **£15 for the weekend** Speak to Dan or Georgina to find out more.

THANK YOU! Abbot

House Nursery would like to thank everyone who supported our Easter Raffle. We had 15 winners in total - 1 from Little Alphies, 7 from Seasalter Christian Centre, 1 from Open Door and 6 from Abbot House (past and present!). We hope you all have a lovely Easter.

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

Date for your diaries

An Indoor Boot Fair will take place here on Saturday 26 May 11 am - 1 pm. Have a spring clear out and make money in the process! Tables cost £10. To book please contact Becky or Dan in the office on 01227 276 923.



Canterbury Diocesan Centre for Healing and Wholeness

The Living Well are running a Quiet Day on 8 June from 10 am - 4 pm entitled Creative Prayer and God's Promises - a day rooted in worship offering practical, creative ways to engage with God come and make your own jar of God's promises to take away with you.

This will be led by Hillary Hills and Dr. Annelise Matharu. The cost of the day is £20.00 to include a light lunch.

For more information and to book please contact the administrator Clare on 01304 842847 or contact@the-living-well.org.uk A poster will be displayed in church.

