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m Welcome}^2$  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

Editor:

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

Service attended Please tick:

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:** 

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# What's on regularly ...

At the **Old Church** on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11.15 am (BCP Holy Communion).

Morning Prayer - at the Old Church, Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.15 am.

Holy Communion - Wednesdays at 9.15 am at the Old Church.

Team Evening Prayer - at Seasalter Old Church during March.

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

**Prayers** Sunday 7 - 8 am (followed by toast and coffee); **Wednesday 7 - 8 am 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 **7.15 pm** for 30 minutes.

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion, 1010 Lighthouse Service; 1100 All Age Service. Readings: Exodus 17:1-7; John 2: 13-22

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

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

Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 15 March 2020

# Lent 3

Today's readings: Exodus 17: 1-7; John 2: 13-22 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

St Alphege Patronal Festival 19 April 2020 **9.30 - 11.30 St Alphege Whitstable** 

All welcome as we gather with our bishop, the Right Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin to celebrate the feast day of St Alphege with holy communion followed by substantial 'morning tea' at nearby St Alphege CE Infant



School. All three St Alpheges are leading this community celebration: St Alphege Church Seasalter, St Alphege Church, Whitstable and St Alphege CE Infant School. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Please note, there will be no services at Seasalter Church that Sunday as we hope that for this special occasion all can attend and be part of the celebration with our sister church in the town.

## **ELECTORAL ROLL**

The Electoral Roll is the list of church members who are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting. It indicates that you would like to be formally seen as a member of this church. Every year the Electoral Roll has to be revised and everyone who wishes to have his/her name entered on the roll must apply for enrolment by completing the application form. These forms are available today and subsequently from Elaine Oakley - Electoral Roll Officer - or either of the Churchwardens.

Completed application forms MUST be received by Sunday 5 April 2020.

## Whitstable Oyster Singers

#### Our Spring Concert is on Sunday 5 April at 3.30 pm at St. Edmund's School Hall (Theatre) Tickets £8, under 14s free, available on the door For more information contact Gillian 01227 657297

www.oyestersingers.webeden.co.uk

Our chosen charity for 2020 is Bright Shadow which offers people with memory problems or living with dementia, together with those who care for them, opportunities for creative activities such as music and singing.





As at past events, we would be very grateful for a few gents to help with serving. If this is something you feel you can help with, please let Katy Burney know.

#### **Thank You**

Thank you very much for your prayers for my mum Clodagh. She is now recovering well and is home. Love Sarah Brockman

#### **Used Stamps**

Don't know what to do with your used stamps? Please collect them for a premature baby charity. You can give to Ann Price or can send direct to: Octopus for a Preemie UK PO BOX 16992 Sutton Coldfield B73 9YA

# **Prayer at the Heart**

#### Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks



Beryl and Ray Clarke, both in need of our prayers at this time. Sheila Pearse, seeing a heart specialist from Kings' on 19 March. Emma (Rosie Siminson's daughter) is expecting a baby in April, the baby has been diagnosed as having hypoplastic left heart syndrome, they are being monitored by Evelina Ward at St. Thomas' - please pray for protection for them both and skill from their medical team. Liz Leaman (former headteacher at St. Mary's school) having two cornea operations as she is losing her sight. Rosalind, her daughters Tania and Jenny, following the death of Ian Drewitt, her ex husband and their father also for Carolyn his wife. Trudie (Walczak) may she know the love, presence and peace of the Lord each day; also for Zen (her husband) may be come to know Jesus as his Saviour and for their family. Diana, David's (Glanville) wife, in hospital with a broken hip following a fall. Bob Simmons for relief from pain. During March we will be praying for those living in Shearwater Avenue, Dove Close and Goldcrest Walk.

#### Long term needs - up to 3 months

Joan Moss. Dorothy Vener. Isaac Clackett. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Lise Jennings, for relief from pain, especially in her new role as Children's minister. Julia (Frances' friend) not responding to chemo.

#### Prayer Needs

Please contact: Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470 We also have a Prayer Requests page on Facebook, please let us know if you would like your prayer needs to be posted there.

#### **REMINDERS**

Thursday 19 March, 7.30 pm at St. Peter's Church Whitstable - a talk given by Rev. Dr David Vannerley.

Saturday 21 March, 10 am -4pm - a day led by Rev. Lorraine Apps-Huggins

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you. Hebrews 13.5



Men's steak night Tuesday 31 March at the Peter Cushing (Wetherspoon's) in town starting at 1930 hrs

Saturday 28th March St Andrews Church,

Quiz rounds and games for all ages ! Teams of 8 max



2020

5pm start, finish

around 6.30pm

Whitstable

(we can help make up teams)

£5 per person (Children under 12 free) Soft drinks and nibbles provided

> But feel free to bring along extras! To book a table contact Jane 07761963971 or jane.myhill@btinternet.com

Fun for everyone! All profits towards Fellowship Afloat trip

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# VACANCY

Bradbury Grange Care Home are looking for someone to go in and take a short service on Tuesday mornings and Sunday evenings.

This is a paid position and the applicant does not have to be ordained or a Methodist. Anyone interested would need to contact the home, which is situated in Canterbury Road, Whitstable, near the junction to Joy Lane.

## **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Updated Notice**

In order to look after those among us who are perhaps more vulnerable to infection, we are taking a few steps to limit opportunities for transmitting any germs.

For the time being, we will be sharing bread only at Holy Communion, and not the wine.

Please be aware that you have received Holy Communion in full if you have only received the bread. A very small amount of wine will be consecrated at each Holy Communion service which will be only be consumed by the Priest who is presiding (because there are rules about that in the Church of England).

As before, all those who are assisting with administering the bread are required to wash their hands with an alcohol-based (minimum 60%) hand-sanitiser which is available.

We are also encouraging people to have as little contact with each other (i.e. refraining from hugging and kissing) and are using a 'non-contact' Peace. You can say 'peace be with you' verbally only, to each other, or perhaps sign it.

Please be reminded that we should all follow best-hygiene practices and that if you cough or sneeze please catch this in a tissue and dispose of it appropriately. Soap and water is available in the toilets, and Hand sanitizers are available in various places around the SCC building and also at the Old Church for those who wish to use them.

We are looking at the way we prepare and serve refreshments too to minimise risks.

Best hygiene practices will also be observed in all pastoral contacts.

If you find you have to self-isolate and need any help getting necessities/picking up pharmacy items etc, then do seek help – we can all support each other.

We are sorry that we are having to introduce these changes, but we are sure that you will appreciate the reasons why. If you are feeling worried at all, please contact Paulette, Andrew or Alison.

<sup>6</sup>Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.'

(Philippians 4:6-7)

#### DEEPENING Discipleship Everyday faith in the making!



An 8 session course for those wishing to explore their journey of discipleship and calling. The course has been revised with emphasis on Ministry in the everyday.

Venue: St Michael's Church, High Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 4PG
Dates: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 June 7, 14, 21 July 2020
Time: 7.30pm-9.30pm
Facilitated by: Revd Lesley Jones and Revd Alan Pinnegar
Closing date for applications: 12 May 2020

Sittingbourne, St Michael's Church

An 8 week course to grow our capacity to follow Jesus in the everyday For more information contact <u>slucas@diocant.org</u>or visit www.canterburydiocese.org/deepeningdiscipleship

#### Our God given role in caring for the world

Join Jo and Georgie for Spring sunsets and refreshments to pray, plan and be proactive about the planet.

Join us if you are searching how to fulfil your God given role of caring for the earth He entrusted to us.

We are looking for planet missionaries to focus on the issues we are facing and workout what we as Christians can do to help.

Human activity is destroying God's beautiful planet; the forests, the ice caps, the coral etc. Scientists estimate that 150-200 species of plant, insect, bird and mammal become extinct every 24 hours! This is nearly 1,000 times the "natural" rate.

Thousands of species have gone extinct in your lifetime. It is all because of OUR human activity. All over the world people are also suffering the effects of climate change.

Join Georgie and Jo on Joy Lane Thursday evenings from Thursday 12th March at 7:30pm till 9pm for prayer about these matters, climate conversations, book shares and inspired action plans.

How can we be the change we want to be and use our spheres of influence at home, work and as a church to protect God's created world of plants, animals and people?

Overwhelmed? Anxious? Don't be. Our love for our God is our motive. Loving our God includes caring for HIS planet. TOGETHER we can make a difference.

Contact either Georgie on 07838148143 or Jo on 07910886467



A free course to help you manage your money better and learn to **budget, save and spend well** 

Courses take place at The Harbour Church 10 Harbour Street, Whitstable. CT5 1AQ



The next 3-week **CAP Money Course** is on Mondays - 9th, 16th and 23rd March 2020 at 7.30pm

To book, go to www.capmoneycourse.org or call Joyce on 07519858951

THIS IS FOR YOU! DO JOIN US IF YOU CAN.

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26 March 12.30—2.30 pm Annette Wood will be hosting Ladies Prayer Group at her home for this session (Flt 1, Magnolia Court, 51 Fitzroy Road, Tankerton). Could you let Annette know if you are going please, as she will be providing our lunch and it will help to know numbers. Many thanks.



## MENS' WORKING BEE SATURDAY 28 MARCH

Guys, if you have a few hours available on this Saturday your help would be much appreciated as we aim to complete the tidy-up and removal of trees in the church garden.

Be prepared for fun and fellowship, hard work and getting dirty.

To register your interest and further information contact either:

Gary Smith: smith 255617@aol.com - tel. 01227 282877 or

Neil Robertson: neilrobertson2@gmail.com - tel. 01227 506715

