

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:



Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

Janice and Graeme Allott following a car accident; Janice is still suffering with a hand injury. Julia (Angie Essex's sister-in-law), following a knee replacement operation. Julia, (Sue StJohn's god-daughter) recovering from multiple injuries following a car crash. Katy (Burney) with a deteriorating knee condition. Liz Leaman (Frances' friend) - please pray for healing. Elaine (Oakley) having chemo for breast cancer. Freddie and Charlie Crocombe (grandchildren to Andrew's brother). Beth (Stan and Carol's daughter) having treatment. Pat Wade. Bob Simmons. Audrey (Porter) for continued healing of her back. During October we will be praying for those living in Bowyer Road, Preston Parade and Fairway Crescent.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

Melissa Clackett, whose health is deteriorating please pray for it to improve and for Isaac with chronic lung disease and underlying health issues, but (as Melissa says) he is a strong little fighter. Daniel Hampton with Long Covid. Sheila Pearse. Joan Moss. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Lise Jennings, for relief from pain.

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.

Something to Share?

If you would like to contribute to these church notices; or subscribe to the (electronic) mailing list do please get in touch with me.

Please be aware when supplying contact information, this notice sheet is circulated physically and digitally via our website, social media and email.

The deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday.

Paula. Email: deaneves@msn.com



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter

17 October 2021

20th After Trinity

Readings: Proverbs 11: 23-28; Luke 6: 27-38

A Time to Remember

Our Time to Remember Service will take place **on Saturday 6th November at 3pm** with refreshments available after the service. If you would like to attend please let Becky in the office know together with the number of people attending with you. As with all services, at the present time face masks/face coverings are optional, however, please bring a face mask/face covering with you in case it is required. If you are able, please collect a purple tag from the office before the day of the service, write the name of your loved one or a message on it and bring it with you to the service. During the service the tags will be hung on our Tree of Remembrance which will remain in the Auditorium throughout Advent.



If you would like the name of someone read out during the service, please let Ali Fuller know before Friday 5th November - alifuller@talktalk.net A new list is compiled each year so please do not assume that names from previous years will automatically be included.

Can you help during October Half Term?

Family Fun Tuesday 26th October 10am to 12pm.

I need 14 people for this to be able to go ahead. And I would need help from 9.20am please. **PLEASE NOTE THIS EVENT HAS NOW BEEN POSTPONED!**

Bright party Saturday 30th October 4pm to 6pm in the Old Church. We are limited with numbers so I will need 5 helpers.

If you are able to help at all I would be very pleased to hear from you lise.jennings@stalphegeseasalter.org

Thank you.

Youth Environmental and Upcycling project

As part of our project the youth will be doing some work in the church garden, having received funding from the Grow Wild Project. This Sunday (17th October), straight after the 10.30am service we will be planting up an area behind the church.

We would love to have a few adults to help us with this, so if you would like to support the young people and are free for a short time after the service please speak to me or Daniel Hampton.



Thanks
Georgina

IT'S BACK!!!

SINGING FOR FUN AND WELLBEING

Monday October 18th at 2.30pm.

Come along and join in some fun singing to lift your spirits again.
All welcome.



Saying Goodbye Remembrance Service – Kent

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL

6 NOVEMBER, 2021 AT 11.30AM

A SERVICE FOR ANYONE WHO HAS
LOST A BABY IN PREGNANCY, AT BIRTH
OR IN EARLY YEARS, WHETHER THE
LOSS WAS YESTERDAY OR 80 YEARS
AGO. THIS EVENT IS ALSO FOR THOSE
GRIEVING THAT THEY HAVE NEVER
BEEN ABLE TO CONCEIVE.

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Thank You

Thank you all so much for your donations to the Canterbury Food Bank during the recent Harvest Festival. As usual you were most generous and we are very grateful. Unfortunately there are many local families in crisis during these difficult times and your donation was most welcome and will help us to support them.

Marian (on behalf of Canterbury Food Bank)



Message from Lise

I asked a talented member of our church if she could make me some Christmas story telling stones for when I tell the Christmas story in small groups with different children specifically when we have Westmeads reception children into our church building. This is what she came up with, and to say I was blown away was an understatement!

Thank you Liz Boys, you are awesome and I'm so grateful. Thank you. XX

(See picture below.)



'I Doubt I Have Faith'



A day led by Hilary Hills

Assistant Chaplain at The Living Well

Saturday 30th October 2021

10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Seasalter Christian Centre, Faversham Road

Seasalter, CT5 4AX

All welcome!

Entry and lunch provided by donation (suggested £5).
For more information & to book please contact Diana High on
01227 262495 or john_high@sky.com



Registered Charity No.: 1123792
www.the-living-well.org.uk



The Living Well Healing Service

There is a weekly healing service on a Thursday morning at 10.30 am at the Living Well.

For those who cannot come in person, the opportunity to join the service online via Zoom is available on the first Thursday of the month. If you would like the link to join these meetings online, please contact Paulette or Diana via email at:

paulette.stubbings@stalphegeasealter.org

john_high@sky.com

Dear Church,

I wanted to take the opportunity to update and encourage us as we are rebuilding and rediscovering church life and community. Among so many good things, It's been fabulous to see:

- Sunday services in a more 'normal' pattern, with all ages in the congregations, and the joy of being together and worshipping God, prayer ministry and rediscovering fellowship with one another after the service.
- Children and young people thriving in their groups and activities
- Our weekly community toddler group re-starting: now known as 'Little Salties'.
- The enjoyment and engagement from those who attended the Bible Course in September.
- The wider community begin to fill the Christian Centre with lively activity during the week
- The SCC garden being tidied up, and insect friendly planting around the side of SCC beginning.
- The community connections and relationships we have made over lockdown and that are growing now in exciting ways.

Coming soon: 3rd Age programme will re-launch, the Old Church will re-open for Sunday Services on 19th December and the first Sunday of the month from then onwards, The Open Door Community Hub is preparing to get going with weekly refreshments as before, but also a focus on welcome to all with signposting to helpful support for anyone who might need it.

Important things we need to focus on together now:

Recovery – It's been a hard 18 months, and it's still hard at times. One moment things feel normal, and the next it's all a bit shaky again. We need to draw on God's grace and kindness for one another, to pray for and support each other.

Connect Groups – we want to encourage as many people as possible to be part of a group – either to join an existing one or to come together

with others in order to form one. This is how we support and encourage one another in the week, and get to know one another more deeply than is possible on a Sunday.

Our welcome and ongoing care of one another, with Christ at the centre of that. It is how we work at fully including those who feel on the outside, and deepening our unity and love between us as brothers and sisters in Christ, that makes Christian community attractive to those who don't yet know Jesus for themselves.

Sharing the jobs well between us – 'All involved' is one of our values, but there's a small number of people doing most of the work still, and we need to share it more widely so everyone can thrive.

Keeping close to God in prayer – and carefully discerning what we do and what we don't do going forward, so we don't find ourselves busy for the sake of it.

Sharing our faith with humility and boldness – Simply telling our own story of how a relationship with God has changed us, or maybe offering to pray for someone. Inviting someone to come along to church with us. We don't have to have all the answers but we can offer to share the journey.

God has good things in store for us and for the Seasalter community, but it must be on God's terms! What is the Spirit drawing to your attention? How can you/we respond to that?

We are still finding out who is returning to regular worship or connection with church and who isn't yet able to return, or is feeling anxious or disconnected. If you are struggling in any way and would like a visit, please get in touch.

Love in Christ, Paulette

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