

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

Barry, Paula's brother-in-law, as he undergoes CAR T-cell therapy at UCH.

Jill (Wimsett) needs prayer for a good recovery following another operation.

Jan (Margaret Tyce-Butcher's friend) is waiting for test results before starting treatment for a type of blood cancer. Continued prayers too for Margaret's brother Peter who is caring for Inger his wife.

Ruth, 26 (Bob Simmons daughter) suffering with painful rheumatoid arthritis and fibromyalgia.

Raichal, on the waiting list for a full hysterectomy.

For a mum and daughter at Little Salties with health problems.

Graham Goldstraw, for a continual improvement from Vasculitis.

During March we will be praying for those living in Irish Village, Tollgate Close and Cundishall Close.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

Please pray for Brian Evans, as his Alzheimer's is worsening and for Jane and the wider family as they support him. Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Audrey, Bob, Denise, Dennis, Emma, Katy, Lise and Melissa. Gill Campbell. Pat Wade.

Prayer Needs

Please contact: Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 12 March 2023

Third Sunday of Lent

Reading: Luke 7:36-50

Please take this notice sheet home with you

Administrator– Seasalter Christian Centre

(Post 2) 8 Hours per week (usually Monday and Tuesday) £11 per hour

We are seeking an administrator to share management of the Centre with the other Administrator (Post 1), dealing with bookings, welcoming visitors and users, handling correspondence and phone calls/messages, ensuring rooms are arranged and resourced as needed, other administrative duties essential to the smooth running of the Centre.

You will need good organisation and IT skills (internet, emails, Word, Excel) and excellent people skills. You will need to understand and fully support the vision and values of St Alphege Seasalter.

For full details and information on how to apply, please contact Andrew Crocombe by email: churchwardens@stalphegeseasalter.org

Closing date for applications: 25 March

Interviews: week commencing: 3 April



St Alphege, Seasalter



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Inner Space

Sunday 26 March

2pm -5pm

Join us for:

- an introduction to meditation and its place in the Christian tradition
- an exploration of what Christian meditation means for our world
- a contemplative Eucharist

Contact Mark (07833 256390) or Martin (07503 211946) for further details



SATELLITES 2023 SAVE THE DATE!

This Summer we will be heading down to Shepton Mallet to be apart of a summer youth festival called Satellites!

4th - 8th August 2023

We would love for you to come along & join us if you are aged 12 - 18 years old. We would also love to hear from you if feel you can help support us.

More information to follow soon!

Yay! and Pray

This week we are ...

Celebrating:

- We give thanks for the growing Old Church congregation and ask God's blessing on those who are taking new steps in faith.
- We pray for our wedding couples in the Team Ministry and the marriage preparation day being hold at SCC on 18 March..



Praying for:

- We pray for those who don't feel safe, at home, at work, at school or in their community. For the right support to come alongside, for us to play our part in making sure those around us are safe.
- We pray for all those working on making sure we take safeguarding seriously, especially for Hilary Poulter and the team, Nicki who helps with our DBS checks and our colleagues who support us at the Diocesan Hub.



Please note

We livestream our 8.45 service and occasionally other services, uploading these to our church YouTube channel.

The camera is focussed on the stage area (please be aware of this if you go up onto the stage during the service), and we don't film during the distribution of Holy Communion. Some backs of heads will appear in camera view.

Please speak to a Church Warden when you arrive if you wish to avoid being in camera view.

Confirmation, Baptism and First Communion at Seasalter

On 11 May at 6.30 pm at Seasalter Christian Centre a number of people from churches in our Deanery will be Confirmed. Confirmation is an opportunity for people who were baptised/Christened as a young child or baby to affirm for themselves the promises that were made on their behalf by parents and godparents. It can be a significant step on the journey of faith. At this special service, the Bishop lays hands on your head and asks God's Holy Spirit to strengthen you as you commit to live God's way. If you are interested in being confirmed please talk to Paulette as soon as possible.

Baptism

Being baptised is an important step on the journey of faith in Jesus Christ. It's a wonderful experience and there's no age limit. At Seasalter, you can choose to be baptised with poured or sprinkled water from a bowl or font, or even have your baptism in the sea! If you were baptised as a child or in a different Christian tradition there are ways to renew those promises if you'd like to do that. Again, talk to Paulette if you are interested.

First Communion

We are happy for all who know and love the Lord Jesus to come to the table for Holy Communion and some do from a young age. But we know that for some families, making a formal 'first communion' is an important step in the faith journey. If your children are at an age where you think they are ready and you would like to talk about this then speak to Paulette before the end of February, and we can arrange some preparation that builds towards receiving first communion on Easter Day. In the same way, if you are an adult who has never received Holy Communion and would like to start, speak to Paulette about it.



Lego Club

Changing Life one block at a time
Tuesday 4th April 11.30am to 3pm and bring a pack
lunch
Seasalter Christian Centre
Primary school age £5 Per Child
Contact lise.jennings@stalphegeseasalter.org

St Alphege Seasalter

Worship Unplugged - Join us!

**2 April (Palm Sunday),
3.30 - 4.30 pm in Oyster Bay at Seasalter Christian Centre**

Back in November, a group of our music worship leaders and one or two others met in Oyster Bay just to praise God together. We planned a few songs, led on acoustic guitar, and then made room for the Holy Spirit to lead. It was a really special time of joining together in praise and worship and there was such a strong sense of God's presence.

We are going to do it again, and would like to invite anyone who would like to join us to come along.





Connect Groups are the small group programme within St Alphege Seasalter.

Groups meet at various times and venues and cater to most needs and tastes.

All groups attempt to support each member physically, emotionally and spiritually.

Are you 'Connected'?

Speak to anyone wearing a

Connect Badge to get involved or email

connect@stalphegeseasalter.org

Do I REALLY need a DBS check? What if I've already got one?

There's a good chance if you volunteer to help with activities at Church, especially those that involve members of our local community, children, young people or vulnerable adults, that you will be asked by the leader of that activity to have a church DBS check (Disclosure and Barring Service). These checks are done through the Diocese of Canterbury via the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) on behalf of the local church. It's a process for gathering information about someone's criminal convictions and other cautions, reprimands and final warnings given by the Police.

We take safeguarding really seriously - we need to - the Church as an institution has got that very wrong in the past, and caused damage. Everyone who volunteers through church in these sorts of activities can be seen by others as a person of trust simply because they are part of the church team. DBS checks are one of the ways we pay attention to safeguarding those we have contact with through church. Another way is through safeguarding training, so you may be asked to do a short online training course in that.

People often have more than one DBS check done if they volunteer for other organisations (like The Haven, or Scouts etc). Unfortunately each organisation must take up its own DBS check for the particular role you are in there, so you can't just use the most recent one you've had for another organisation. DBS checks only last for 3 years before they need renewing.

Our DBS Administrator is Nicki Dawson, if you need a CRB check for a role you are in at church, you'll be contacted by her.

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.

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