Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Paul Browning, for an operation date soon to remove a kidney with a cancerous tumour and for his recovery and wider healing, with no complications.
- Jade (a Little Salties mum) having serious health issues.
- Audrey Porter.
- Ann Moreton continues to be looked after in hospital she is very frail, please keep her in your prayers.
- Mark Arnold for a complete recovery following his operation for Prostate Cancer.
- Frances Crocker with health issues.
- Pat Wade.
- Ann Shuttle.
- Ted North, for a complete recovery following his hip operation.
- Janice and Graeme (Allott).
- Donald having injections into his painful knee.

During November we will be praying for those living in Beaconsfields, St. Mary's Grove and Allan Road.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Ann (Shuttle's) sister, Joan, whose health is deteriorating
- The 4-year-old daughter of Tariq's niece who has been diagnosed with Leukaemia.
- Whitstable Street Pastors, that they increase in number.
- Dave (Remon), suffering from Parkinson's. He is now living in Bradbury Grange and would welcome visitors.
- Gill (Campbell).
- Brian Evans, whose condition continues to deteriorate and for Jane and their family.
- Ruth, (Bob Simmons daughter).
- Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Bob, Dennis, Emma, Katherine, Katy, Lee (Russell) & his wife Trudi, Lise, Rosalind and Stella (Masters).

If you would like someone to be added to the prayer needs, please contact: Carol Judge 277752 or David & Lynda Kemp 272470



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 3 November 2024 4th Before Advent

Readings: Philippians 2 v 5-11 & Colossians 2 v 16-23

Please take this notice sheet home with you



Just a reminder..

There are two Sundays coming up soon where we will gather as a whole church community together (all ages) in <u>one</u> service on those mornings.

- 10 November: Remembrance Sunday, at **10.30** timed to observe the two minute silence at 11)
- 24 November: Community Sunday at 10 am we will worship, pray for our Community and begin the Christmas Card distribution inviting people to come and join us for Christmas services.

Can I encourage you to come and be part of both of these services - even though it's not at the usual time - these opportunities to gather as one church and focus on important things together are really precious and we want as many of us as possible to be there. Careful thought has been given to the planning of the services so there is something for all to enjoy, to contribute and to encounter God in.

Love Paulette

Do you have a heart for sung worship?

Although it may not be obvious on a Sunday, the music groups are getting increasingly stretched & keyboard players are a particular need. If you can play an instrument, aren't currently involved and have a heart for worship, please can you prayerfully consider whether you might be able to help.

If you do join a music group, the commitment is normally only once every four weeks. Please feel free to talk this through with Paulette or with any of the four worship group leaders (Tim, John Franklin, Jamie or me).

If you are not a musician, please can you pray that we can continue to serve the church in worship using people's musical gifts.



Mark Hampton



Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

Celebrating:

Giving thanks for those who responded to the call for more Fareshare volunteers and for all who lend their time and energy to serve people in ways that benefit our community beyond the walls of the church.



Praying for:

Following the Street Pastor recruitment event that happened on Saturday (2nd) that positive conversations will turn into committed volunteers to pray for and to patrol our town.





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.



Ladies' Meet Up

The next Ladies Meet up (formerly women's chat and chew is . . .



Wednesday 6 November 2024 from 7 pm Weatherspoons' Whitstable

Open to any ladies connected with SCC. Come when you can, leave when you need, eat if you want or just chat. No need to book, just turn up on the day. For more information contact Ann P or Claire W for more details.

Remembrance Sunday in the Town - Stewards Needed (10 November at 10.5)

Urgent need for stewards including the role of lead site steward for the Remembrance Sunday parade/service in the town.

If you are attending there because of links to uniformed organisations etc. and could help, please get in touch with Rev. Rachel Webbley vicar@stalphege.org.uk

Singers Wanted!

Parish Advent Carol Service. Sunday 1 December, 5 pm at St Peter's Whitstable There will be a gathered choir from across the Team Churches, and a couple of short evening rehearsals.

Please contact Rachel Webbley: vicar@stalphege.org.uk if you are interested.

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Christmas Fayre Saturday 23 November

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Can you contribute your time, skills, new or preloved items to make this a day to remember for both ourselves and the community? Give as little or as much of your time as you like.



APPEAL FOR DONATIONS

The church-run stalls will include:

- Vintage items
- Children's books and toys
- Rooks
- Cakes, Bakes and Preserves
- Miscellaneous items NO jigsaw puzzles please
- Tombola

Contact Rosalind Drewitt, Karen Esland or Lynda Kemp.

Please bring your gifts (only the non-perishable ones) to SCC by the end of October.

A Time to Remember

Our Time to Remember Service will take place on **Sunday 3rd November at 3pm** with refreshments available after the service. If you



would like to attend please let Ali Fuller know together with the number of people attending with you. 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 1st November – churchwardens@stalphegeseasalter.org A new list is compiled each year so please do not assume that names from previous years will automatically be included.

The Memorial service for the late Rev. Keith NcNicol

 \dots will take place on Thursday 14th November at 2pm at All Saints Whitstable followed by a reception at All Saints hall afterwards (open to all).

A private funeral and burial at All Saints churchyard will take place earlier that day at All Saints just for close family. Dress code is as you like, though Cursillistas are welcome to wear suitable Cursillo attire as they feel led. Family flowers only please.

Please continue to pray for Kirsty and the family.



THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 10-11.30 AM (DROP IN)

Seasalter Christian Centre, 49 Faversham Road CT5 4AX 01227 276923

> Refreshments and home-made cakes with all donations for this week in aid of:



Church Notices

Please note that the deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. *Paula* Email: notices@stalphegeseasalter.org



Flowers today have been kindly sponsored by Joyce Holland in memory of her husband Alf and two of their children Robin and Margaret.

> Contact Hazel if you would like to be a sponsor.

You are invited to a pre-Advent Quiet Afternoon

"Expecting

waiting for the Incarnation"

from

2.00pm - 5.00pm.

on

Saturday 16th November 2024

Seasalter Christian Centre

Please book a place using this link: ://stalphegeseasalter.churchsuite.com/events/ufwwdxk5

For more information contact mark.fagg@stalphegeseasalter.org

THIS WEEK at St Alphege Seasalter

We do our best to compile this so the info is in one place - but we are a

I busy church - apologies if something gets missed

2.30 pm Singing for Fun and Wellbeing I Mon 4

I Tues 5 10 am - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group

Wed 6 8.00 - 8.45 am prayer at SCC

Sun 10

2.30 pm Holy Communion SCC 7.00 pm Christian Meditation Group

7.00 pm Ladies meet up (see separate notice)

I_{Thu 7} 10 am - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning SCC

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Social Games SCC

6.00 pm - 7.00 pm Prayerpoint SCC

8.00 - 8.30 am prayer at SCC 8.45 am - Holy Communion SCC

10.30 One service for all ages at SCC for Remembrance Sunday

Value G – Giving generously

Giving generously is one of the values which moulds our life together at St Alphege, Seasalter. Each year, as a church, we aspire to give away an amount equal to at least 10% of our normal giving income to partners in God's work locally, nationally and internationally.

We also encourage individuals and families to give generously to the church's work. The biblical guideline is the tithe, 10% of income, but Jesus never mentioned a percentage, because it's the heart that counts. The Church of England encourages members to give 5% to the church and 5% to other charitable causes. It's up to you – and God.

If you would like to know more about regular giving through banker's order or weekly envelopes, or about Gift Aid, please talk to the churchwardens.