

## Prayer at the Heart



Please pray for:

### Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Audrey (Porter), adjusting to health challenges.
- Mags, Cameron's (Marks) girlfriend - please pray that the biopsy on her brain tumour is cancer-free.
- Donald. with back pain and previous health issues.
- Gill (Campbell), following a fall.
- Lenni (Oakley) with Fibromyalgia.
- Irene Dorgan, following the death of husband Danny.
- Paula's sister, Rosemary, in Kings College hospital following a seizure.
- Philippa, Lucy, Adrian and Guy, children of Ann Moreton, and their families, upon the death of their mother .
- Jean (Hunter) whose husband Derek has died. May Derek rest in peace and rise in glory
- Mark Temple, awaiting another operation soon.
- Paul Browning has now had his operation which went well and he is now recuperating at home. Please continue to pray for his recovery.

During January we will be praying for those living in those living in Fairway Crescent (off Preston Parade), Seasalter Beach, Levante & the Brig and Admiralty Walk.

### Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Janice and Graeme (Allott). Frances Crocker. Ted North. Audrey Porter. Ann Shuttle. Pat Wade.
- Ann (Shuttle's) sister, Joan, whose health is deteriorating.
- The 4-year-old daughter of Tariq's niece 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. 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 19 January 2025

Readings: Proverbs 22:4 & Philippians 2:3-11

Please take this notice sheet home with you

### THIS WEEK at St Alphege Seasalter

We do our best to compile this so the info is in one place - but we are a busy church - apologies if something gets missed

- ! Tue 21 10 - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group SCC
- ! Wed 22 8 - 8.45 am prayer at SCC  
2.30 pm Holy Communion SCC
- ! Thu 23 10 - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning at SCC
- ! Fri 17 10 - 12 Bible Study group SCC
- ! Sat 25 10 am Coffee with Kathryn and Gift Asiku at SCC
- ! Sun 26 8 am prayer at SCC  
8.45 am Service with Holy Communion SCC  
10.30 am All-Age Service with HC and Sunday Groups for children and YP at SCC



## SCC YOUTH LUNCH

A chance for young people come together to eat food, hang out & grow deeper with God.  
Open to all young people aged 11 - 18 years old  
12:30 - 2:30pm AT SCC



2nd February 9th March 13th April\* 18th May  
22nd June 27th July 31st August 5th October 9th November

Could you help support a youth lunch this year by cooking for the young people? If so please do speak to Hannah and let her know your availability with the above dates.

[hannah.rogers@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:hannah.rogers@stalphegeseasalter.org)

## Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

*Celebrating:*

- Giving thanks for the Children's Ministry leadership teams - for Sunday Groups, Little Salties and All-In who are working hard together to make sure this ministry continues to thrive. Praying for God to supply all they need and for the children and families involved.

*Praying for:*

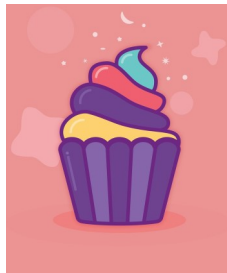
- the Gather Round event 15 February - ongoing preparations and for the Holy Spirit to use our time together to accomplish what God wants to amongst us. Praying for those who can't be there on the day but who wanted to be, that we will hold them in our heart and mind too as we gather.



## DIARY DATE: Coffee and Cake with Kathryn and Gift Asiku! Saturday 25 January 10-11.30 at SCC

Kathryn and Gift work in Entebbe Uganda for Wycliffe Bible Translators. We have supported them as a church for a few years now, and from time to time they come back to the UK to visit friends and family and to see their supporting churches.

Come and catch up or find out about the work they do over a coffee morning at SCC.



## Ladies' Meet Up

Dates for your diary



**Tuesday 11 February**  
**Wednesday 12 March**  
**Thursday 10 April**

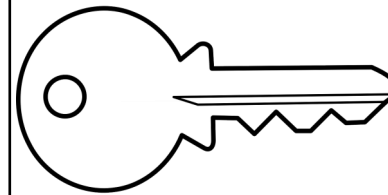
**from 7 pm**

### 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.

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



Caroline Wiles, our Administrator, is doing a key audit over the next week. Please can you get in touch with the office by 24 January if you have a key and secondly confirm if it is a master key or not. Thank you.

### Our Church Prayer

**Lord Jesus, We long for more of you in our lives, to grow in our love for you, for one another and for our community.**

**We offer you ourselves, just as we are; keep our feet firm on God our Rock when things feel uncertain, keep us faithful in prayer and service, help us share your gift of love and grace with others and grow your church here, we pray. Amen**



An Eco Church meeting will be held on Thursday 30 January at 7 pm in the Harbour room at SCC.

Are you interested in recycling? Gardening? All things sustainable? This meeting is for you!!

We want to build on our Bronze Eco Church award and take little steps to an eco-friendly church. Meetings will be 2-monthly.

Let Becca Newlyn know if you are interested in helping or just turn up!

Contact [mrsb.newlyn@aol.com](mailto:mrsb.newlyn@aol.com)

**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.

**Pastoral Care**

Are you called by God to help others?  
Are you already involved in Pastoral Care and just want some support?

I have been asked by Paulette to put together a team of people who either visit others face-to-face or support others using the telephone.



There is a meeting on 1 February 2025, 10.30 am till 12 noon, in the Harbour Room. Come along and find out more.

Tea and biscuits will be provided.

Caroline Wiles

**Hannah Morris - Curacy Post announcement**

Hannah is now able to share that she will be joining the Flegg Parishes Team Ministry in Norfolk working with her Training Incumbent Revd Jo Wood. when she begins her Curacy. Her ordination as deacon will be at Norwich Cathedral on Sunday, 29th June at 10.30 am.

Great news Hannah, we pray for you and your family as you prepare to relocate and as she takes up ministry.

**Frances Crocker - Moving to Bradbury Grange**

Frances is moving into Bradbury Grange full time from 20 January, having enjoyed a couple of weeks there in the run up to Christmas. We are hoping she can still attend services under same taxi arrangement she had from home.

Frances will be delighted to have visitors from the church once she's settled in.

Please pray for her and for her family for this big change.

**Em Rafferty - Youth Ministry with St John's Swalecliffe**

Exciting news as the fabulous Em Rafferty takes on St John's Swalecliffe's new part time grant-funded Youth Minister role working with Jane Myhill. Beginning 21 January, it's an 11 hours per week post, fitting alongside her job at Hernhill School, and she'll still be part of our church family/ singing worship at St Alphege Seasalter.

Congratulations Em on an exciting appointment for the Team Ministry, we are praying for you and for Jane and St John's as the community youth work develops there.

## Gather Round - Saturday 15 February

We don't want to give away *all* the treats in store for this special day for our whole Church family.

But here's a little more information to whet your appetite!



It's going to be a bit like a church weekend away, squeezed into one special day, and spilling over into the Sunday morning service.

### **Our Speaker is Rev. Canon Jean Kerr.**

Jean and her husband Paul, also a minister, live and serve God in Deal, and have experience of all kinds of churches and contexts - Jean was one of the first women to be ordained priest 30 years ago. Their driving motivation is for anyone and everyone to know the love of Jesus and to find a real faith that works for the ups and downs of life. Jean has a particular ministry of coming alongside churches that have been through a lot of change, and encouraging and inspiring them. Among other responsibilities, Jean is the National Diocesan Co-ordinator of the Thy Kingdom Come prayer initiative. She's an Anna Chaplain, and was the Mission and Community Engagement lead in Rochester Diocese before she retired.

### **What to expect:**

Refreshments and a warm welcome on arrival, worship (led by the Holy Trinity Sittingbourne band) and then two morning teaching sessions from Jean with a coffee break. During those sessions, there will be groups for Children and Young People led by a fabulous team from Holy Trinity Sittingbourne and from St Alphege Whitstable.

After lunch together, a whole bunch of optional activities: indoors and outdoors, fun games, a special creative project, and quiet

areas including a prayer installation at the Old Church. Or plenty of room and time to chat over refreshments and/or board games if you prefer.

We gather again for dinner in the early evening, **joined by our special guest Bishop Rose!**, who will then lead a bed-time story (and likely some singing) for the young and the young at heart (PJ's welcome if it helps with bed-time!) - before we end our day together with a praise party ending by 8.30.

The young people are sleeping over at SCC, and will be laying on bacon rolls and hot drinks for us before the one 10 am 'everyone in' service the following day (Sunday 16th), where we will have a final all-age session with Jean and more worship together.

There really will be something for everyone! Even if you can't do the whole day, please do sign up and come to what you can. We don't want anyone missing out.

Book your place right away!

£18 for an adult ticket, £5 per child to cover catering - if you can't afford this, then there's an option to signal that when you book a place. Please don't be put off by cost.

Two ways to book - online via the QR code on the poster in the notice sheet, OR speak to Churchwarden Ali, Vicar Paulette or Youth Minister Hannah and we'll help you.

After you've booked your place, follow the instructions on how to pay, or talk to Gail Arnold our treasurer [gail.arnold@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:gail.arnold@stalphegeseasalter.org) to arrange that.

