

## Prayer at the Heart



*Please pray for:*

### **Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks**

- Roy is having heart surgery on Wed 12th Feb at Kings College Hospital. Please pray for a successful operation and a good recovery. Prayers also for Hazel and the family.
- Jill and Tom (Seddon), both unwell.
- Audrey (Porter), adjusting to health challenges.
- Mags, Cameron's (Marks) girlfriend - no further treatment needed following the removal of a brain tumour.
- Donald. with back pain and previous health issues.
- Mark Temple, awaiting another operation soon.

During February we will be praying for those living in Grimthorpe Avenue, Martindown Road + Columbine Heights and Ashurst Avenue.

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

- Lenni (Oakley) with Fibromyalgia.
- Gill (Campbell).
- Paula's sister, Rosemary, for continued and complete recovery.
- Janice and Graeme (Allott). Frances Crocker. Ted North. Pat Wade. Paul Browning.
- Ann Shuttle and her sister, Joan.
- 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.
- Brian Evans. Ruth.
- 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, Rosalind and Stella (Masters).

We give thanks for all who care faithfully for others - because it's their job, or because they are caring for a loved-one. We pray for strength and rest and the support of others.

*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 9 February 2025**

**(4th Sunday before Lent)**

**Readings: Proverbs 28**

### **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*

- Mon 10** 1.30 pm Forge craft group at SCC
- Tue 11** 9.30 - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group SCC  
7 pm onwards Ladies Meal (see separate notice)
- Wed 12** 8 - 8.45 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881. Password V3pXbH)  
2.30 pm Holy Communion SCC
- Thu 13** 10 - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning at SCC
- Fri 14** 10 - 12 Bible Study group SCC  
6pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette for details ( 07305 611437)
- Sat 15** GATHER ROUND! (Pre-booked attendance)
- Sun 16** 9.15 am prayer at SCC  
10 am **One special service for everyone (even if you didn't attend the Saturday Gather Round)**

**Andrew and Carol Crocombe:  
Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary!**



Congratulations on your Anniversary - a truly special couple. We love you and thank you for the way you love and support others, and for all you do for the church at Seasalter.

**Andrew and Carol have kindly sponsored the church flowers this week.**

## Do we have your details on ChurchSuite?

ChurchSuite is where we safely hold all the contact info for those who attend St Alphege Seasalter.

Most of the church community has their information on the system now.

Even if you don't use email or have a smartphone, it is still really good for us to have your contact information stored there, as it means we can get in touch with you if we need to with helpful information.

It can be used like an online directory (in place of the paper one we used to have) if you do use a computer or smart phone.

You can choose how much of your info others can see - just your name, or name and phone-number, or your email and address as well if you like.

If you are on the system, you can see the details others are happy to share too.

Church Notices and letters are sent out this way too as well as other information.

If you'd like to know more, or get your info on there, please talk to Paulette (Vicar) 07305 611437/  
[paulette.stubbings@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:paulette.stubbings@stalphegeseasalter.org), Ali Fuller (Churchwarden) or contact Mark Fagg: [mark.fagg@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:mark.fagg@stalphegeseasalter.org)

## Wanted! - Be part of the 'Seasalter Welcome'

We would like to ask for volunteers to join our welcome team. The main requirement is a smiling face to welcome everyone to the 10.30 service on a Sunday. You just need to be at church by 10.10 on Sunday ready to stand at the door.

Please contact:

Maxine Perry on [max\\_perry2003@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:max_perry2003@yahoo.co.uk) or 07739964273



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garden space, bird feeders and heightening ALL of our awareness about environmental issues. The Eco Church poster gives an overview of aims but we will be working through specific areas as we develop our aims. There is still space for you to get involved so WATCH THIS SPACE for more information or talk to Becca Newlyn [mrsb.newlyn@aol.co.uk](mailto:mrsb.newlyn@aol.co.uk)

FIRST TIP – St Alphege Seasalter has to put waste in the right bin – recycling and general waste – we now get charged by weight for waste so important to use bins correctly (note that all hall hirers should be taking ALL waste away with them). The outside bins are locked and the cleaner checks these. Eco group planning to improve the labelling of bins so clearer what can be put in each.

**Church Notices** Please note that the deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. Paula Email: [notices@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:notices@stalphegeseasalter.org)

## Ladies' Meet Up



The next Ladies' Meet up is  
Tuesday 11 February  
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 turned up on the day.

For more information contact Ann P or Claire W for more details.

## 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



Help us respond  
faithfully to the  
climate and  
nature crises

### Worship and Teaching



Embedding creation care  
in worship, prayer and learning

### Buildings



Finding energy efficient and innovative  
ways to manage our places of worship

### Land



Nurturing spaces  
for people and nature

### Community and Global Engagement



Transforming local and global  
communities and ecosystems

### Lifestyle



Living joyfully and sustainably as  
followers of Christ

get involved #ecochurch [ecochurch.arochoa.org](https://ecochurch.arochoa.org) **ECO CHURCH**  
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### Eco church group

The church eco group met for the first time on 30th January 2025 and 9 enthusiastic people attended! We discussed recycling, the

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## Rev. Claude Gayle - Important Announcement!

Congratulations Claude on your appointment as Priest in Charge of St Nicholas Allington and St Paul's Boxley in the Maidstone Deanery.

Claude's still on placement near Deal for the next few weeks, she returns to us on Sunday 23rd, then her last Sunday with St Alphege Seasalter is the following week; 2nd March.

Claude - we have loved having you as our Curate, and will miss you very much, but we know you will be a huge blessing to your new churches and community in Maidstone.

Please pray for Claude and her family as they prepare for this move and for her new role.



Claude has confirmed that her licensing is on Monday 24 March at 7 pm:

St Paul's  
Boxley Road  
Maidstone ME14 2AN

### Bring and Share Lunch

As mentioned last week, we will be holding a Bring and Share lunch following the second service on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, Claude's last Sunday here at Seasalter. Please add your details to the sign-up sheet.

Also, a card is available for you to sign (at the back of church) so that you may add your blessings to Claude.

### 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.



## Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

*Celebrating:*

- We give thanks for Hannah and the Runway team and pray for them and for the growth and strengthening of this monthly service, that it might be a place where people experience the closeness of God in worship and in word, fellowship and friendship and joy. We pray for the younger adult community connected with Runway who meet socially from time to time.

*Praying for:*

- We pray for the Gather Round day on 15th, for the Sunday service the following day and for God to work through it all to make us more like Jesus..



## Vacancy

Hernhill CE Primary School has a vacancy for a Foundation Governor. Hernhill is not far from Seasalter at all, and the Headteacher Sarah Alexander, and local Vicar Cathrine Ngangira have asked if it can be shared with the Team Churches in case someone feels called to do this important work in a really fantastic local school.

*Please see the vacancy information on page 5 and contact Paula notices@stalphegeseasalter.org if you would like to receive a clearer copy.*



*Life in all its fullness (John 10:10)*

## We have a vacancy for a foundation governor.

Foundation governors represent the historic link with the original church establishment (the 'founding' establishment, hence the term 'foundation') of the school. As such, they are the custodians of its distinctive Anglican and Christian ethos. They can attend any church in the local community. In most ways however, foundation governors have the same objectives as other governors.

**Would you be interested?**

**What will I need to do?**



Listen to  
information



Ask  
questions



Attend 7 governor  
meetings per year – 4  
in person, 3 online.



Read  
key information

**What are the benefits?**



Have new experiences  
& learning new skills



Meet new people



Make a difference to  
the children at  
Hernhill



Visit the school and  
chat to staff and  
pupils

*All are welcome here.*

Our school's Christian vision is rooted in the desire for everyone to experience life in abundance, forming the very heartbeat of our inclusive family. Our Gospel-based People Rule (Luke 6:31) creates an environment where everyone is encouraged and empowered to embrace life in all its fullness.

Together, we embark on a transformative journey, where we embrace the opportunities and overcome challenges that shape us all. Through Jesus' love, we enable all to realise their full potential. Flourishing academically, socially, and spiritually, we nurture each other's unique God-given gifts and foster a lifelong love for learning.

Please contact the headteacher Sarah Alexander ([headteacher@hernhill.kent.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@hernhill.kent.sch.uk) / 01227 751322) if you would be interested in coming to visit and to chat about the role. We would love to meet you!