

Prayer at the Heart



Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Roy (Bentley) is now at home following his heart surgery. Please pray for a full recovery.
- 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.

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

Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Lenni (Oakley) with Fibromyalgia.
- Gill (Campbell).
- Janice and Graeme (Allott). Frances Crocker. Ted North. Pat Wade. Paul Browning.
- Ann Shuttle and her sister, Joan.
- 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.

We give thanks for the wonderful news that Mark (Temple) has been given the all-clear following his recent operation.

*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 23 February 2025

(3rd Sunday before Lent)

Readings: Psalm 107: 1-9, Proverbs 28: 1-28 & Luke 8: 22-25

Lent at St Alphege Seasalter

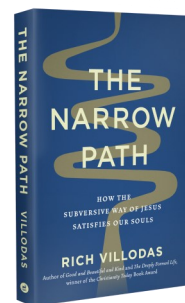
Lent is the period of six weeks (40 days not including Sundays) that starts on Ash Wednesday (5th March), and leads up to Easter.

Christians use the time to think more deeply about faith, about the impact of sin, and why we (and the world) need Jesus.

Ash Wednesday 5 March - Services

- 2.30 pm Mid Week Holy Communion Service, at SCC (with opportunity to receive an ash cross)
- 7.30 pm Evening Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Service at SCC - a reflective service to begin Lent facing our human frailties, failings and need but find the unconditional love of Christ meeting us as we do that.

'The Narrow Path' Sermons During Lent



During the 5 Sundays of Lent, our sermon series will be based on a book by Rich Villodas called 'The Narrow Path - How the subversive way of Jesus satisfies our souls'.

We'll be looking at 'What is the Narrow Path?', 'Being Salt and Light', 'Anger and Anxiety', 'Our Judgements and Enemies' and 'Our Decisions'.

There will be Connect Group questions based on the sermons each week. I'd recommend the book, which is very readable, full of good stuff, and covers more topics than we can fit into 5 weeks - but it's not essential that you have it in order to follow along.

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Rev. Claude Gayle - Important Announcement!

Claude returns to us today (welcome back Claude!) then her last Sunday with St Alphege Seasalter is next 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



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

Bring and Share Lunch

We will be holding a Bring and Share lunch following the second service on 2nd 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.

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 24** 1.30 pm Forge craft group SCC
- Tue 25** 10 - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group SCC
7.30 pm Men's Meal (see separate notice about venue)
- Wed 25** 8 - 8.45 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881 Password V3pXbH)
2.30 pm Holy Communion SCC
- Thu 27** 10 - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning SCC
- Fri 28** 10 - 12 Bible Study group SCC
2pm Social Games SCC
6 pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette for details: 07305 611437)
- Sun 2** 8 am prayer at SCC
8.45 am Service with Holy Communion SCC
10.30 am Service (all ages in together) SCC
11.15 Traditional HC at the Old Church

SAVE THE DATE

Andrew and Mary would like to invite their church family to their wedding on Saturday 14th June 2025!

Everyone from the church is welcome to join us for this special occasion and general celebration of God's love! The service will start at 1pm at SCC and be followed by coffee and cakes.

Looking forward to having you there to celebrate!

Join with Christians from across Whitstable to pray for our town.



**Do you have a heart for praying for Whitstable ?
To pray for your neighbours and neighbourhood ?**

Join us for **30 minutes** of prayer
on the 4th Monday of every month

7.30pm start – 8pm finish

Monday 24th February 2025

Monday 24th March 2025

Venue: The lounge @ The Harbour Street Church

For more details contact Paul Downes
pkdownes@gmail.com

Local Prayer – Everyone welcome

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

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Additional Zoom Lent Discussion Group

I will be running a Zoom additional group to discuss the sermon topic every week for 5 weeks from , 5-6.30 pm (Thursday 13th March and the following 4 Wednesdays)- please speak to me or email me; paulette.stubbings@stalphegeseasalter.org if you'd like to join in with that.

Chris Skingley's Lent Course 'Becoming Like Jesus'

I am running a Lent Course with the Bible study group and any who want to join us. The title of the course is 'Becoming Like Jesus'. The five sessions are: What's the point?; How does it happen?; How does the Bible help?; Who is it for?; and Does it work? They will be held in Friday mornings 14th March – 11th April at 10am at SCC. - Chris



Canterbury Chamber Choir

Gabriel Faure & Maurice Dufle by candlelight
Holy Trinity Church, Sandgate Road, Folkestone
Sat 1 Mar 2025. 7pm

Click on the link below for tickets/more information

[Canterbury Chamber Choir event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

Wanted! - Be part of the 'Seasalter Welcome'

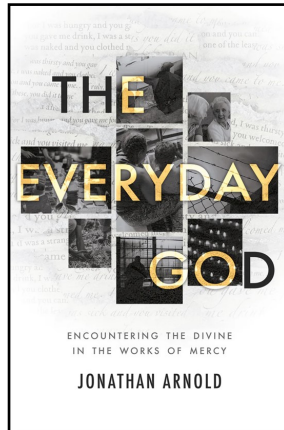


We would like to ask for volunteers to join our welcome team. The main requirement is a smiling face to welcome everyone to the 10.30 service on a Sunday. You just need to be at church by 10.10 on Sunday ready to stand at the door.

Please contact:

Maxine Perry on max_perry2003@yahoo.co.uk or 07739964273

Lent Group 2025



The Revd. Johnathan Arnold is the Director of the Social Justice Network of the Diocese of Canterbury.

Thursdays from 10 am to 11.30 am

March 13, 20 & 27, April 3 & 10

In the Vestry of **St Peter's Church**, Sydenham Street

The Group will be led by Rev. Christopher Morgan-Jones

While some may like to buy the book and read it, there is no need to do this as there will be an A4 sheet sent to participants before each session summarising the various chapters. The book focusses on the 8 works of mercy combining passages from the Bible with Stories of merciful work by the church today in Kent.

This group is open to everyone in Whitstable Parish. If you wish to come, please email cmorganjones1@gmail.com or phone 01227-271172



Thank you for your prayers for my sister, Rosemary, she continues to improve at home.
Paula

Used Stamps

Please let Ann Price have your used postage stamps and she will ensure that they will be processed to raise funds for Pilgrims Hospice.



Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

Celebrating:

- Thank you God for all you did with us and in us at our Gather Round weekend last Saturday and Sunday morning.

Praying for:

- St. Alphege Seasalter to delight in the joy, unity and love and to willingly share it and invite others to join in.



Saturday 29th March 7.30pm

KYJO
KENT YOUTH
JAZZ
ORCHESTRA

The Kent Youth Jazz Orchestra will be putting on a concert at All Saints on Saturday 29th March.

Tickets and more information is available on Eventbrite and a link to this can be found on the Notices section of the All Saints website. If you are interested but do not have access to the web, please speak to Rev Simon Tillotson.

Tickets are only available online.

MEN!
SCC NEEDS
YOU ...



Tuesday 25 February
the Peter Cushing
(Wetherspoon's) in town
starting at 1930 hrs