

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Donald (Lugg).
- Janice and Graeme (Allott).
- Carol (Crocombe's) brother Simon who is very poorly.
- Lee (Russell) and his wife Trudy.
- Steve, with cancer.

During November we will be praying for those living in (Mariner's View Continued) The Oaks, Thistle Drive and Trade Winds.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Dianne Dom (who lives in San Francisco). Joyce (Holland). Frances (Crocker). Jill (Seddon). Brian Evans. Gina Morton. John Judge. Lenni (Oakley). Pat Wade. Paul Browning. Ann Shuttle and her sister, Joan. Dave (Remon). Ruth.
- Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Ann Shuttle's sister Joan, Brian (Evans), Dennis, Denise, Emma, Katherine, Katy, 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*

Gill Campbell

Gill died on 8th November. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Please pray for Vince and all the family at this sad time.



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter

Sunday 23 November 2025

Last before Advent

Reading: Revelation 3: 14-22

Services: 0845 am (Holy Communion) and 1030 am (All-Age with Holy Communion)



"Cake Ministry" 🍰 🍰 🍰

On Sunday 30th November we have 2 events requiring cakes to bless people 🙏

At 10:00 we have our Community Sunday where we go out into the community and we deliver our Christmas card and this year it will also have a Youth Hub flier with it. Upon the return of those going out delivering, we offer hot drinks and cakes.

At 17:00 we have the Whitstable Team Ministry Carol service at SCC. It will be great to have as many of our church congregation attend plus a real blessing to provide cakes for those attending the Carol service.

Can you let Caroline in the office know by phone or email or alternatively fill out the sign up sheet at the back of church.

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*

All at SCC unless otherwise indicated

- Mon 24** 10 am - 12.30 pm Wood Carvers
12.30 pm - 9.30 pm half day of prayer (drop-in - see notice)
2 pm Forge Craft Group
- Tues 25** 10 am - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group
4.30 pm - 6.30 pm Youth Drop In @The Hub (school yrs
7 - 13)
- Wed 26** 8 am - 8.45 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881)
Password V3pXbH)
2.30 pm Holy Communion
- Thu 27** 10 am - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning
- Fri 28** 10 am - 12 noon Bible Study Advent Course
2 pm Social Games
6 pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette
for details: 07305 611437)
6.30 pm - 8 pm Friday Night Club for Youth (school yrs
7 - 10) @The Hub
- Sun 30** 10.00 am One 'Community Sunday' Service for all ages,
worship, distribution of Christmas cards begins, those
staying at SCC pray, re-gather for refreshments afterwards.

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.

Celebrate Advent and Christmas 2025 with us at Seasalter Christian Centre and the Old Church

Saturday 13th December 2-5 pm Christmas Spirit at the Old Church

(at the top of Freemans Close)

Drop in on your own or with family, light a candle, leave a prayer on our tree, enjoy refreshments; for all ages ending with carols at 4.30 pm

Sunday 14th December 8.45 Service as usual, then Christingle Service 10.30 am Seasalter Christian Centre

A service for all, making Christingles with oranges, sweets and a candle

Also **Sunday 14th December Carols by Candlelight 4 pm at the Old Church**

Tuesday 16th December Carols, Beer & Christmas Cheer 7 pm Rose in Bloom Pub

Sunday 21st December 8.45 Service as usual, then Nativity Service 10.30 am Seasalter Christian Centre

a joyful retelling of the Nativity story for all ages

Also **Sunday 21st December Contemplating Christmas 3 pm at the Old Church**
An hour of Meditative prayer

Christmas Eve 24th December Crib Service 4 pm, Seasalter Christian Centre

For all ages & perfect for younger families as we tell the Christmas story.
Come dressed as a nativity character or borrow one of our costumes and join in!

Christmas Eve 24th December Midnight Holy Communion 11.30pm, Seasalter Christian Centre

Refreshments from 10.45 pm - a special and reflective service

Christmas Day Thursday 25th December Seasalter Christian Centre

Christmas Day service 10 am, all ages, Holy Communion, refreshments from 9.30 am





Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

Celebrating:

- Giving thanks for church community and the many ways we support one another during challenging times. Giving thanks for the 'Ready to Connect' course and some brilliant conversations.

Praying for:

- the Christmas card/youth hub flyer distribution - that we'd get them all out in good time, that people would come to services and events over Christmas and encounter God's love and welcome.



come and



for each other and for the world

Monday 24 November at SCC
drop in between 12.30 and 9.30 pm

ECO CHURCH

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'L is for Lifestyle' is a book by Ruth Valerio considering how we can live in a way that is better for creation and the world. She suggests some things we can do and the eco team will suggest some ideas over the coming weeks.

Her first is A for activist!!

Suggested Bible readings Isaiah 58: 6-10; Luke 4: 18-19

Key actions - increase your knowledge of issues needing action (for example Christian Aid Restore Campaign, Christians Against Poverty, WaterAid but there are lots of others)


Can you pray and consider practical response for one area?

WHITSTABLE TEAM MINISTRY

Advent Carol Service



SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER
5 PM
SEASALTER CHRISTIAN CENTRE

 St Alphege, Seasalter

POSADA



Will you be a host to Mary and Joseph for a night during December?

Posada uses nativity figures of Mary and Joseph who travel from house to house. This gives each 'host' the chance to create their own celebration in their home, making room for Jesus in their lives.

Another host from our church family will arrange to bring the figures to your home at a time to suit both of you. You will be given a sheet with a (very) short act of worship with which to welcome the figures.

The next day take Mary & Joseph to the next host on the Journey Rota.

It is a lovely way to spend time with and get to know other members of the congregation.

A sign-up sheet will be at the back of the church after each Sunday service. If you are unable to access the sign-up sheet, please contact Joanna by email: joannayoungma@gmail.com if you would like to take part.



**The next Men's meal is
Tuesday 25 November**

Prayers for Whitstable

(which takes place on the fourth Monday evening of the month)



**at Harbour Street Church
7.30 pm for 30 minutes**

Safeguarding Training

The Diocese are now requiring most roles within the church to complete Basic Awareness Safeguarding training due to the need to heighten awareness of this as an issue with the Church of England over recent years.

You may find this link helpful <https://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding>

To accommodate this Face to face sessions will be held on:-

Either

Saturday 13th December

or

Saturday 17th January

Both from 9.30am to 11.15am at All Saints church, Whitstable

Once you have completed the Basic Awareness training there is no need to repeat it in three years time. It only needs to be completed once. Those who have attended our previous sessions found it very interesting and not in the least irrelevant or unnecessary. The point is that the more people that do the training the safer our church will be as it leads to increased vigilance.

If you would like to book a place please can email me as soon as possible.

If you would rather do the training online from the comfort of your own home here is the link. I will need you to send me a copy of your certificate if you have done the online training please.

<https://www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>
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Church Notices Please note that the deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. *Paula* Email: paula.dean@stalphegeseasalter.org