

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:



Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Graham and Janice Allott.
- Ann, Donald's sister, is doing well following an operation for cancer on her leg.
- Val and Paul Browning's nephew, Jonathan; he is 49 and vicar to 5 parishes in Norfolk . He has been diagnosed with stage3/4 stomach cancer. Major cancer surgery is scheduled for Friday 24 July.
- Sarah Garton (Vince's daughter Kate's best friend); Sarah had a partial removal of a brain tumour four years' ago, but it is now regrowing.
- Lenni (Oakley) after surgery on her heel.

During July we will be praying for those living in Valkyrie Avenue, Cypress Close and Shearwater Avenue.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Derek (Becca's Dad).
- Steve, a member of the Old Church congregation, very poorly in hospital with cancer and for Janet his wife.
- Jo (Amanda Humphrey's sister) - that she is strong enough for the stem cell therapy to go ahead.
- Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Brian (Evans), Dennis, Denise, Donald, Emma, Joan (Ann Shuttle's sister), Joyce Holland, Katherine, Rosalind, Ruth Saleh, 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.



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter

Sunday 19 July 2026

7th after Trinity

8.45 am Holy Communion service

10.30 am service for all ages with groups for children and YPs

Reading: 1 Corinthians 4: 14 - 21



Blessing of the Waters

Thursday 23rd July 2026

6.30pm

Reeves Beach

All welcome to this traditional outdoor ceremony with well-loved hymns and prayers for our coastal waters.

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

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 20	7 pm Flying Club
Tues 21	4.30 - 6.30 pm Youth Drop-In @ The Hub (school yrs 7-13)
Wed 22	8 - 8.45am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881 Password V3pXbH) 2.30 pm Holy Communion 4 pm Youth Yr 6 Taster Sessions @ The Hub
Thu 23	10 - 11.30am Open Door Community Coffee Morning
Fri 24	2 pm Social Games at SCC 6pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette for details 07305 611437) 6.30 - 8 pm Friday Night Club for Youth (school yrs 7-10) @The Hub
Sun 26	8.45 am Holy Communion service 10.30 am Service for all ages with Holy Communion

Many thanks to all at Open Door on Thursday 2nd July - you raised £289 in donations which will be passed on to the Disasters and Emergency Committee's collection for Venezuela.



Singing for Fun and Wellbeing
will be taking a break in August, returning on 7th September

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 all who serve week-in-week-out to support, love and nurture our children and young people, on a Sunday and in weekly activities like Little Salties, All In and the evenings at The Hub.

Praying for:

- we pray for all who are struggling to make ends meet and who find it hard to take holidays or plan summer activities for the family on a limited budget.



Week of Accompanied Prayer 27 September - 3 October Whitstable Team Ministry

An invitation to go deeper in prayer and explore your relationship with God.

You can sign up for the week, praying at home by yourself using a short passage of scripture, then meeting in church with a prayer guide each day for 20-30 minutes to reflect on what God may be showing you. A limited number of places, so sign up promptly if interested. The week is led by the Canterbury WAP team, there's no set cost but a donation to WAP gratefully received.

Booking form (by 13 September latest) available at the back of Church, or from the Vicar, Paulette.

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

Church Family Sea Baptisms



On the **afternoon of Sunday 27 September**, Andy Twyman will be being baptised in the sea off East Quay beach. All are invited to attend and celebrate with him. If you'd like to join him that day and be baptised or re-affirm your baptism in the sea (for example, you were already baptised as a child) then please talk to Paulette (the Vicar) about it as soon as you can. Baptism is an important and public step in the Christian journey of faith and following Jesus. It symbolises what's happened between us and God.

If you are interested in being baptised but don't want to do that in the sea, there are other options, again, please have a conversation with Paulette.

Green Fabric Wanted

Eve Twyman is on the look out for green fabric in all different kinds of shades for a church-related project. So if you have any in your sewing stash you could spare, or spot any going cheap in a jumble sale or charity shop, please do pass it on to her. eve.locktongoddard@outlook.com or look out for her in a service - she often attends both with her husband Andy.

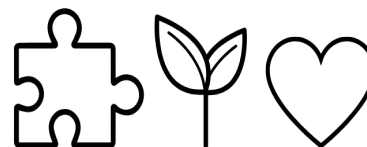
Dave Remon's funeral

All are warmly invited to attend Dave Remon's funeral at SCC on Tuesday 28 July at 11 am, followed by the burial up at the Old Church at 12 midday, and then refreshments back at SCC.

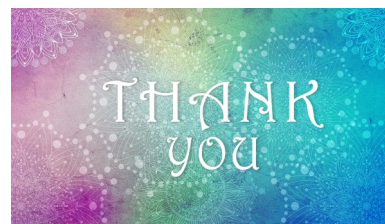
Dave was a much-loved member of this church, a kind, funny and servant-hearted man, one of the first Street Pastors, latterly living at Bradbury Grange, he died on Friday 3 July.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray for his family, for Valerie, and for those who loved and knew him best.



**Belong
Grow
Share**



A BIG THANK YOU TO.....all of you that prayed for me, phoned me, visited me, brought me communion, took me to hospital, and my wonderful Connect Group for their support and to all who welcomed me back to church the week before last!

Love Margaret Tyce-Butcher

The next Men's Meal is
Thursday 30 July



The end of an era

Many of you will know that for the last few years I have served on the General Synod of the Church of England. For those who don't know this is the "parliament" of the CofE to which all the 42 dioceses (constituencies) send representatives, lay people, clergy and bishops - over 400 people in all. It meets twice a year for a few days, in February in London, in July in York. After 16 years I come to the end of my term this month.

The General Synod debates and passes church law, and talks (endlessly) about all sorts of issues in the Church's life. The meeting this month will discuss neurodiversity in the Church, digital communications, clergy conduct, promoting unity in the nation, hope, Palestine, same-sex relationships, trustworthiness and eco matters. As well as worshipping together every day, formally asking and answering questions, eating together and watching the football!

Days are long - 9am to 7pm with an hour for lunch - so one dips in and out depending on one's interest and the perceived importance of the subject. Or how long it is since you had a drink. I was elected in 2010 to support the cause of women



bishops (so +Rose and ++Sarah are partly my fault 😊), and to push for gospel inclusion for all who come through our doors. I've made perhaps a dozen speeches - usually only 3 minutes because so many people want to speak - gone to dozens of meetings, read mountains of fringe papers, made some friends, got quite tired, and (mostly) enjoyed my time.

Thank you for your prayers, especially during the controversial times - they have been very much appreciated.

David

PS I am also stepping down from the Diocesan Synod after nearly 40 years. But that's another story.

Safeguarding is the name for the way all of us help to keep each other safe and supported at St Alphege Seasalter, especially those who might be particularly vulnerable to harm - children and vulnerable adults.

If you see or experience something that worries you, speak to: Hilary Poulton our Safeguarding Coordinator 07375 535198, Paulette Stubbings our Vicar 07305 611437, Hannah Rogers our Youth Minister 07477 493874 or Mark Arnold our Churchwarden 07545 775860. You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding or the Police if necessary.



YOU'RE INVITED TO AN AFTERNOON TEA!

Sarah Long is holding a charity event to raise money for life-saving science and life-changing support.

Please come along and bring cake, buy cake and eat cake for charity!

**BREAST
CANCER
NOW**

When: Saturday 8th August
Where: Painters Forstal
Community Hall,
ME13 0EN
Time: 2 – 4 pm

<https://breastcancernow.org/>