

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:



Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Diane, Matthew (Clements) and their family on the death of Peter, Diane's husband.
- 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 stage 3/4 stomach cancer. He had surgery on 24 July but it was not as successful as they had hoped. Please keep Jonathan and the family in your prayers.
- Sarah Garton (Vince's daughter Kate's best friend) is doing well following brain tumour surgery.

During August we will be praying for those living in Dove Close, Goldcrest Walk and Kingfisher Close.

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).

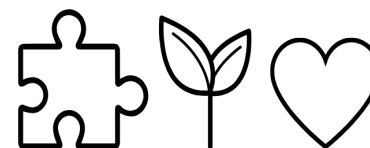
We give thanks for all who care faithfully for others - because it's their job, or because they are caring for a loved-one. We pray for strength and rest and the support of others.

*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 16 August 2026
11th after Trinity
8.45 am Holy Communion service
10.30 am service for all ages summer series
Reading: Ruth 1-8-18



**Belong
Grow
Share**

You are invited FISH AND CHIP SUPPER

*Tankerton Slopes
Friday 21st August 2026
Arrive 5.30pm. Food at 6.30pm
More info. sign up & order food with Eve Twyman
07799887750*



**MEETING POINT: TANKERTON SLOPES
OFF MARINE PARADE BEFORE THE SAILING CLUB CT5 2BG**

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. 17	7.00 pm Flying Club
Tues 11	4.30 - 6.30 pm Youth Drop-In @ The Hub (school yrs 7-13)
Wed 12	8 - 8.45am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881 Password V3pXbH) 2.30 pm Holy Communion Service
Thu 13	10 - 11.30am Open Door Community Coffee Morning
Fri 14	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 16	8.45 am Holy Communion service 10.30 am service for all ages summer series



The Next Men's Meal is on Tuesday 25 August



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 a wonderful Satellites festival for our young people and team of leaders who went, as we look forward to hearing all about it on their return. We also give thanks for another busy and effective Community Wardrobe distribution and for all those who served to make it possible.

Praying for:

- we pray for those amongst us who are feeling God leading them to something new in their faith - or perhaps to faith in Jesus for the first time in their lives. For courage, peace and joy.



A Message from Carol

Please pray for Mick, Matt and the wider family of Kim Crooks. Kim died on 7 August at Kings Hospital. She was a good friend and colleague at All Saints Nursery School and we give thanks for all the lives she touched whilst she was working there.

May Kim Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Carol Judge

RIP Peter Clements

Peter Clements, member and for a long time (until a few years ago) Church Warden at St. Peter's in the Whitstable Team Ministry, died in the early hours of 3 August after a short spell in QEQM. He was in good spirits when Diane saw him earlier that weekend. His funeral will be at St. Peter's in due course and we will share the date and time.

Thank you for your prayers for Diane, their son Matthew and all at St. Peter's.

Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory, Peter.

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

Safeguarding Audit - Church of England - can you help?

The Church of England has been undergoing an audit of their safeguarding practices in Diocese and Cathedrals, and in November 2026 the audit of our own Diocese, Canterbury, will take place.

A wide selection of people are being invited to complete a survey in preparation for the audit.

It would be wonderful if you could support the Canterbury Diocesan audit by:

Completing the survey found using this link – the auditors want to hear from everyone in the diocese no matter their participation in parish life. <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/canterbury/> . Unfortunately digital surveys are the only ones being accepted.

By taking part in the audit surveys, each of us demonstrates how we hold in mind that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. More information about our audit can be found on our website [Safeguarding Audit 2026 - Diocese of Canterbury](#)



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.

Church Family Sea Baptisms



On the **afternoon of Sunday 27 September**, Andy Twyman will be being baptised in the sea off East Quay beach and others will be reaffirming their baptism promises in the sea that afternoon too. 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.



THANK YOU!

Sarah Long held an afternoon tea on 8 August to raise money for the charity Breast Cancer Now. She raised an impressive **£431.50** and thanks you all for your support.



<https://breastcancernow.org/>

Calling all grandparents - did you know that there is a Christian conference aimed at you? 3rd October 2026 in Milton Keynes - see link for more details

[Home | Christian Grandparents](#)



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Did you know "Food waste collections make a significant difference in both Canterbury and across Kent. Food waste collected from households is sent to an anaerobic digestion facility in Kent, where it is turned into renewable biogas and fertiliser for agriculture, rather than being treated as general waste. Canterbury City Council also notes that food waste is around 70% water, making it far more efficient environmentally and financially to recycle separately rather than incinerate with household rubbish".

"One of the key challenges is that many households still put food waste into their black bin despite having access to the service. Even small changes – tea bags, coffee grounds, peelings and leftovers going into a food caddy rather than the rubbish bin – can make a substantial difference when adopted across the district".

"For anyone who does not currently have a food caddy, Canterbury City Council provides orange-lidded food waste bins which can be ordered online through the council's bin and box service, [here](#)"

The Ecosurvey we did in church recently showed that many people don't use a food caddy so YOU could make a difference by collecting food waste.

Rev. Simon Tillotson

Bishop Rose is pleased to announce that The Revd Simon Tillotson, currently Team Vicar of Whitstable Benefice and Area Dean for Reculver in the diocese of Canterbury, he has been appointed as Rector of The Len Valley Benefice, subject to the usual procedures. Simon will continue in his current role here in Whitstable till 1st November which will be his final Sunday here. The date for the licensing occasion by Bishop Rose will be announced in due course.

Please pray for Simon as he takes up his new ministry and for Cathy as they prepare to move away after nearly 20 happy years serving the Whitstable Team.



Personal information - the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)

The GDPR sets out how organisations must act when dealing with the personal data of individuals. Personal data includes such information as name, address, telephone number, financial information, health records etc etc.

The church holds information/data about all its members, and we are committed to handling it legally, responsibly and carefully. For most members the church holds name, address, telephone number and email address and does not hold more sensitive information about bank accounts or health. Members will appreciate that these days information is held not only in paper files, but also on computers and phones. Most information is held under the legal basis of *legitimate interest*, i.e. the church has a legitimate interest in holding the data, and virtually all the data has been freely provided by the members themselves.

If you have any questions about your data, what is held and how it is held please look at the Privacy Notice on the church website or talk to Russell Wyles on 07526 978 080.