

Prayer at the Heart



Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Lucy Stubbings - for healing and strength for upcoming surgery.
- Praying for Brian and Jan and the wider family on the sudden and tragic loss of their son David.
- Lisa Barnett and family on the loss of her dad Paul.
- Lenni (Oakley) suffering from fibromyalgia.
- Caroline (Wiles) - please pray for her diagnosis, treatment and also for healing.
- Tom (Crocombe) - please pray for effective treatment, healing and to get enough rest.
- Graeme (Allott) recovering at home. Please keep Janice in your prayers too.
- 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 and is having ongoing treatment. Please keep Jonathan and the family in your prayers.

During October we will be praying for those living in Sceptre Way, April Rise and Sandpiper Road.

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 4 October 2026

18th after Trinity

8.45 am HC Service at SCC

10.30 am service with groups for Children and YPs

11.15 am Traditional Holy Communion service at the Old Church.

Reading: Ezekiel 47

Sea Baptisms Sunday 27 September

Such joy!

Congratulations to Andy, Jess and Isabel, Hilary, Jim, Brooke and Wesley



Photo: Andrew Hastings

Saturday 21 November Christmas Fayre 11.30 am to 3 pm - tell your friends too!



If you are interested in being involved in any way including setting up beforehand and clearing up afterwards, please contact Rosalind Drewitt at rosbeth50@outlook.com, Karen Esland at keskmt@outlook.com Paula Dean (deaneves@msn.com) or Lynda Kemp (lynda.kemp@stalphegeseasalter.org)



BSL

BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE SESSIONS



Learn a communication skill with Janet
at
Seasalter Christian Centre

	12 weeks beginner's sessions
	Monday evenings 7pm - 9pm
	Commencing Monday 19 th October 2026
	£2.00 per person per session

For more information or to sign up please contact
Gilly Gurr: 07956679309

Tea & Coffee Included

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.



Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

Celebrating:

- giving thanks for Harvest celebrations and the joy of the baptisms on Sunday.

Praying:

- for those who live in food poverty, and particularly for the work of Food Bank and the Pantry Project in our area.









COME AND JOIN US FOR 'MISSION PRAISE'

Very few churches have a Sunday Evening service these days

However St. John's Church, Swalecliffe do have one at 6.30 pm on the second Sunday of every month, held in the Church Centre. Members of other churches or those with no church affiliation are invited to come along and join in.

Date: Sunday 11 October

Speaker: Becca Newlyn

Topic: My Journey with Jesus

Do come and join us to sing, pray and listen.

Refreshments afterwards.

Christmas Fayre Saturday 21 November

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS

We would welcome:

- Hand-crafted items and new or as-new unwanted gifts
- Children's books and toys (must be in excellent condition)
- Bottles for tombola (see suggestion list at church)
- Cakes, Bakes and Preserves - please bring donations of these to church on the morning of Thursday 19 November or on Friday 20 November with a full list of ingredients attached.



Please bring your non-perishable donations between 8 November and 15 November. Thank you!

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICE

FOR YOUR DIARY!

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NOVEMBER
10:00 AM @ SCC

ONE
'COMMUNITY
SUNDAY'
SERVICE



worship

posting the church
Christmas Cards

praying for the
community

re-gathering for
cake & coffee

RECULVER DEANERY SYNOD + OPEN SESSION +

DISABILITY AND THE CHURCH: CREATING A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY



FEATURED SPEAKER:
**REVD MELISSA
CARTER**

Bishops Disability Adviser &
Team Rector, Dover Town
Team Ministry

**WHEN: MONDAY
5TH OCTOBER 2026**

TIME:
7:00 PM (Doors Open)
for 7:30 PM Start
Concluding by 9:15 PM

**VENUE: ST ALPHEGE
WHITSTABLE IN
HIGH STREET**



Exploring the Church of England's
approach to disabilities



Physical Accessibility in Our
Buildings & Worship



Understanding & Supporting
Neurodiversity & SEN Needs

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Join us for a presentation, discussion, and Q&A.

A short administrative item for the election of a new Lay Chair
Representative will open the meeting.



THE BLESSING OF LIGHT #TAIZE' CHANT

Wed. 14th Oct. 6-7pm St. Peter's Church. CT5 1HN.
Led by Rev. Dr. Julie Hopkins.

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



Autumn Quiz

Saturday, 17th October 7.30 pm

Seasalter Christian Centre

£6 per person

Please feel free to bring your own food and drink
Raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated

To book a full table of 8 people
(or individuals are welcome)
please contact

Gordon Williams 01227 275179 or
David Kemp (kemps@btinternet.com)
01227 272470

Ladies' Meet Up

The next Ladies meet up is:



Tuesday 13th October from 7.30 pm
Wetherspoons' Whitstable

Open to any ladies connected with
SCC and their friends. Come when
you can, leave when you need, eat if
you want or just chat. No need to
book, just turn up on the day.
For more information contact Ann P or
Claire W for more details.

The Next Men's Meal
is on
Thursday 29 October



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 5** 10 am Woodcarving Group
2.30 pm Singing for Fun
7 pm Flying Club
- Tues 6** 9.30 am - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group
4.30 - 6.30 pm Youth Drop-In @ The Hub
(school yrs 7-13)
- Wed 7** 8 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881
Password V3pXbH)
2.30 pm Holy Communion Service
- Thu 8** 10 - 11.30am Open Door Community Coffee Morning,
- Fri 9** 10 am Bible Study
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 11** 8 am Prayer Meeting
8.45 am Holy Communion Service
10.30 am Service with groups for Children and YPs



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.

BOOK LAUNCH

**Seasalter Christian Centre 7pm Tuesday
6th October**

The Sea Wolves of Spelthorpe



As a prequel to the Spelthorpe Trilogy this book will take the reader back 300 years to the time of the English Civil War. It will tell how members of the Spelthorpe Estate faced **piracy, white slave traders**, extremes of **religious fanaticism**, the **judicial murder of witches** and the **brutality of the bloodiest of wars** that divides the kingdom whilst offering a safe refuge to French Huguenots.

With **guile foresight**, imagination and the assistance of an **alluring agent** at the Royal court they courageously pursue a sinuous path to come shining through.

Signed copies will be available at a discount at the launch.

Rosemary Cole's Funeral

Rosemary used to attend St. Alphege Seasalter and many will remember her - her funeral will take place at Herne Bay Crematorium Monday 5 October at 2.30 pm.

May she rest in peace and rise in glory. We pray for her family and friends at this time.

St Andrew's 'Futures'

The PCC of the Whitstable Team Ministry are inviting applicants to serve for one year on a small (10 member) St Andrews 'Futures' Sub- committee which will consult on and propose options for the future of the building and land of St Andrews Church, Grimshill Road in Whitstable.

Joining local residential and council representatives, we are particularly seeking applications with skills and experience in the following areas: Chairing of committees, buildings and planning processes, finance. For more information and terms of reference please contact Rachel Webbley: vicar@stalphege.org.uk



Church of England Online Service Sunday 11 October

If all goes to plan with the editing, St. Alphege Seasalter will be 'hosting' the Church of England weekly national online service for Sunday 11 October. This is a pre-recorded service, compiled from different filmed segments that were recorded over late summer - so it's kind of been going on in the background! Grateful thanks to all who participated. I'll circulate the link once we have it, but it should be viewable on the Church of England videos page on

<https://www.youtube.com/@TheChurchofEngland/videos>

Love Paulette

WE ARE RECRUITING!

Children and Families Worker – St Alphege Seasalter

Part-time | 15 hrs/week | Fixed term 1+1 years | £14.56 ph

In this vibrant Church of England parish in Seasalter, Kent, we run a weekly toddler group (Little Salties), a term-time group for children with additional needs and their families (All-In), and Sunday children's groups — all led by a dedicated team of volunteers. We are looking for an enthusiastic, warm-hearted Children and Families Worker to bring oversight, support the teams and to help these activities flourish and grow.

You will coordinate our children's and families work (ages birth to Year 6), and be a visible, welcoming presence both inside the church and out in the community. You will build relationships with parents and carers, connect with local schools and community groups, and use social media to communicate and invite. You will help plan seasonal events and all-age services, working closely with church members, leadership and the Youth Minister. Safeguarding, good record-keeping, and regular liaison with the Team Vicar are central to the role.

For a full job description and application pack, please contact: paulette.stubbings@stalphegeseasalter.org

Closing date: Monday 19 October,

Interviews: Saturday 31 October.