

Welcome² St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Today's date

Service attended	
Please tick:	
08.45	
10.10	
11.00	
11.15	



St Alphege, Seasalter

Tear from this leaflet and pass to a member of the Welcome Team Thank you



Name of Welcomer:

What's on during the week ...

At the **Old Church** at 9.15 am, Morning Prayer on Tuesday and Friday, Holy Communion on Wednesday. Sunday Services at the Old Church are held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11.15 am (BCP Holy Communion).

Team Evening Prayer - at St Andrew's during December.

Open Door Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.45 am at SCC.

Social Games Afternoon Friday 2 - 4 pm at SCC. If you have a favourite board or card game please bring it along. Refreshments available.

Prayerpoint on Fridays - join us for intercessory prayer, 6 pm - 7pm at SCC.

When prayer is at the heart we see God moving. All welcome, please come ...

Silent Prayer of the Heart on Fridays at 8 pm for 30 minutes

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion, 1010 Lighthouse ;1100 All-age Service. Next week's readings: Mark 1.1-8; Acts 16.19-34.



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Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 3 December 2017

Advent 1

Today's Readings: Mark 13.24 - end; Acts 16.6 - 10-

Today's Sermon: Acts 16.1 - 10

Daytime Encounter

Exactly what it says - Encounter in the daytime!

Monday 4 December at 2.30 pm

ADVENT for Everyone, led by David and Jeannie

All are welcome to a short service thinking about this important time in the Church's Year

Join us afterwards for a 'cuppa'

Encounter

Wednesday 6 December, 7.30 pm

Advent Encounter with Holy Communion

One of the most special days in the Christian year.

Cells do not meet in the week of Encounter

Come and enjoy these mid-sized gatherings which are open to **everyone**.



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Third Age Advent Reflection

Wednesday 6 December 10am-3pm in the Harbour Room at the Christian Centre.

A quiet day to consider some of the Christian themes about preparing for Christmas.

The themes we will look at are: listening; watching; waiting; and welcoming.

There will be a bring and share lunch.

All welcome.

Please sign the list at the back of the church if you are able to come.



Bethlehem comes to Canterbury!

Because it has become increasingly difficult for Palestinian Christians in Bethlehem to sell their olive wood carvings locally, which is their livelihood, due to the diminishing number of tourists and pilgrims visiting the city, particularly since the building of the separation wall that now cuts off Bethlehem from Jerusalem
... .. Freeman is coming, once again, from Bethlehem with olive wood carvings – Christmas cribs, crosses, statues, Christmas decorations, and the like – to sell them in the Canterbury Christmas Market during December



The stall will be in the High Street, from 2nd to 22nd December. Please come and look, and buy if there is something you like!



Star Postis back this year!

Christmas cards for members of our church family can now be posted in our special star post box for a minimum donation of 10p per stamp and will be sorted and delivered on Sunday 17th December. Stamps can be purchased on Sundays or in the week from SCC office and all money raised will be donated to Closer to Home.

Reverse Advent

Please could you bring your contributions on 17 December to the service. (if that is a problem I can collect them early that week).

The boxes will go to local families by the middle of that week.

If you have any questions please speak to me.

Andy Hedley-Smith, tel. 01227 278591, email: ahs7873@gmail.com

S - Strength
E - Encounter
T - Transformation

Get **Set** for 2018

21 days of prayer and fasting for revival, renewing and to enable things to happen – our individual lives, community and nation.

Monday 8 January – Sunday 28 January 2018

(6am -7am Monday to Saturday, 7 -8am on Sunday)

Key Scripture Daniel 10:1- 21 The Prayer of Daniel

Daniel prayed to the God of Israel, “A revelation was given to him”

Prayer at the Heart

Immediate needs

Dennis Spinner, back in St. Thomas' hospital.; Helen, Stuart and the family. Alan Carnell. Ann Shuttle, following the death of her husband, Jim, on 22 November. Angela (Stella's daughter) having continuing problems regarding her breast cancer. Vince, following a procedure on 29 November. Jamie Oakley (Elaine's son) who has now had his surgery but needs continued prayer as the doctors make further investigations. Lynda Shrubbs thanks you all for your prayers for her granddaughter Althea.

Long term needs

Cyril (Carol Crocombe's brother-in-law), terminally ill. Rosemarie, following a major bowel operation. Rita Stuart, in a hospice and nearing the end of her life. Diane (Beryl Davies' daughter). Hannah Evans' father-in-law, Roger, diagnosed with heart failure. Jill Freeman.

During December we will be praying for those living in The Grange, Chanctonbury Chase and St. Margaret's Close

Prayer Needs: (Immediate needs – 2-4 weeks, long term needs – 3 months.)

Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet; Rev. Ann Moreton 277140; Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470.



"THE THREE GENERATIONS"

DONALD (DAD) • JOANNA (DAUGHTER) • JENNIFER (GRANDDAUGHTER)
SPONSORED SWIM TO RAISE MONEY FOR "ASPIRE" CHARITY.

Following the completion of this challenge some pledges remain outstanding. If you agreed to sponsor please could you pay up!

If you would like to support this challenge retrospectively 'The three generations' would be more than grateful

Please contact Donald Lugg in person, by phone 01227 770434,
or by email revdalugg@btinternet.com

Hernhill CE Primary School

Expanding horizons and inspiring learning
within our Christian values



Looking for a school for your Reception child in September 2018?

We are holding a number of opening mornings and afternoons over the coming months. We would love to welcome you on one of these dates so we can show you around our fabulous school.

Please phone the school office on 01227 751322 to book a place.

Tuesday 5 December 2017, 2.00 pm

Wednesday 10 January 2018, 9.15 am

If none of the above dates is suitable, please contact the school office to arrange an alternative date and time. We have children attending our school who live in Hernhill or the surrounding villages, as well as many from the towns of Whitstable and Faversham. Come and meet us!



Hernhill CE Primary School
Fostall, Hernhill, Faversham, ME13 9JG
www.hernhill.kent.sch.uk
Telephone: office@hernhill.kent.sch.uk



Christmas 2017 at St Alphege, Seasalter

All events at Seasalter Christian Centre unless indicated

Sunday 17 December

Holy Communion 08.45 am

The Nativity 10.30 am

Never a dull moment as we retell the Christmas story – careful, you may end up in it!

Carols by Candlelight at the Old Church 4.00 pm

As traditional as Christmas lunch, in an historic church.

Tuesday 19 December

Carols in the car park 6.30 pm

Come and enjoy singing with Whitstable Brass, followed by spiced drinks and mince pies.

Friday 22 December

Family Fun Morning, 10.00 am – mid day

Festive craft and activities for children aged up to around 10 years of age.

We conclude with a short Christingle Service.

Christmas Eve

Holy Communion 08.45 am

The beauty of his peace.

Worship for everyone 10.30am

Crib Service 4.00 pm

A magical half hour at the Stable - for all ages.

Midnight Holy Communion 11.30 pm

'Silent night holy night...' Midnight on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Day

Holy Communion for everyone 10.00 am

Coffee and mince pies first. Just short of an hour, a chance to unwrap the Christmas Gift.

Boxing Day Lunch

Great food, great company – don't eat alone today!

Contact Chris if you'd like to come: chris.skingley@btinternet.com or 771885.



An email exchange about the Old Church car park

An email from Elizabeth Kara

Hi there i see that after a few emails regarding this epidemic of continuous dumping of items the church decided to put a CCTV sign well obviously that doesn't seem to have stopped this dumping of fridges in the last week. I'm hoping that the sign was just not put them off but there is actually CCTV as if not I have already said I'm sure the whole of your congregation would put money towards a tracker which is about 80 pounds and will automatically record when someone passes. I am truly sick to death of constant rubbish when I go to visit my son. You are allowing these illegal dumpings by not doing anything

Dear Elizabeth

Thank you for your recent message about the illegal, and extremely annoying, fly-tipping in the Old Church car park. Please be assured that we are as frustrated as you are by this continual nuisance. We are, however, fortunate that the car park contains a public footpath which means that the City Council have a responsibility to remove the fridges and other rubbish, something they have been doing very efficiently.

Over recent months we have given a lot of thought to preventing this activity but we have, so far, failed to come up with a feasible solution. We have discussed the matter at length with the Council and they have installed two CCTV cameras ... both of which have been stolen within days of installation. It has so far proved impossible to find a place for the cameras which can focus on the car park without being visible. We have considered installing a gate to the car park but that would seriously restrict access for those wishing to visit the churchyard. And bearing in mind that the five-bar gate to the churchyard was stolen a few months ago that may not be an answer! Another alternative is a height bar at the entrance to the car park but we know of another car park where the bar has simply been forcibly removed.

We are sorry that this anti-social behaviour is spoiling your visits to the churchyard but please be assured that we are as anxious as you are to find a solution.

David Kemp
Administration Co-ordinator
St Alphege Church, Seasalter

Whitstable Choral Society
Christmas Carol Concert
St Alphege Whitstable
Saturday 16 December at 7.30 pm

Tickets are available from Rosemary
Simmonds (282163) and priced:
Adults £8
12- 18 year old £3
Children free

Tickets are also available on the
door on the night.



The Oyster Singers'
Festive Concert
Sunday
10 December 3pm

All Saints Church
Church Street, Whitstable,
CT5 1PG

The choir will sing a
selection of music
including Christmas songs

Admission £8 on the door

Price includes refreshments

Musical Director: Victoria Rowcroft
Accompanist: Adrian Bawtree

For information and advance
tickets please contact:
Gillian 01227 657297



Sweet Treat is our discipleship course for children aged around 7 to 11. There are 6 sessions in each half and there is no obligation to do the second part if you don't want to. It explores what we believe, why we believe it and among other things we think a bit about the Bible and The Holy Spirit. It's all done through games,

simple discussion and of course sweets! We encourage the children to think for themselves and make up their own minds.

Actual day and time to be confirmed but for now please chat with Jane if you think your children may be interested. (07761 963971 or jane.myhill@btinternet.com)