

# Welcome<sup>2</sup> 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:	
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11.15	



St Alphege, Seasalter

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



Name of Welcomer:

## Prayer at the Heart



### Immediate needs

Beryl Davies, in hospital following a fall. Alan Carnell. Angela (Stella's daughter) having continuing problems regarding her breast cancer.

### Long term needs

Gill Campbell. Susan (Donald's niece/Joanna's cousin) diagnosed with breast cancer. Eileen Wakeling (Rosemary Simmonds' friend) undergoing chemotherapy for lymphoma cancer. Ann Shuttle. Cyril (Carol Crocombe's brother-in-law), 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 January we will be praying for those living in Freemans Close, Church Lane, Heritage Close and Rowantree Park.

**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.



St Alphege, Seasalter ~ making disciples of Christ, growing the church of God



## Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 21 January 2018

Epiphany 3

Today's Readings: John 2.1 - 11; John 4.1 -24

Please take these notices home with you to read at your leisure!

### The Old Church

We are pleased to be able to tell you that a Faculty (formal church planning permission) has been granted for the work on the Old Church.

Although we have not yet raised all the money required, we shall be speaking to the Architects and Contractors in the new year to devise a phased approach to the work.

We will let everyone know as soon as possible, when the work is likely to start.

Lynda Kemp & Alison Fuller



### The Vacancy

Thank you for praying for the process of the appointment of a lead minister at Seasalter and team rector of Whitstable.

After a prayerful and detailed process in which there was a great deal of thought, discernment and listening it has not been able to appoint anyone at this point. In the new year a new series of dates will be worked out and we will again advertise.

Please continue to pray for the interview panel and that the person who God is calling will apply.

### 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 Alphege Whitstable (town church) during January.

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

**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: Romans 12.1 - 21; Mark 1.21-28

Editor: Paula Dean, email: deaneves@msn.com Deadline is Midnight Tuesday



## News from Abbot House Nursery



Abbot House Nursery will be holding a  
**Wine & Wisdom**  
 fundraising event on  
**Saturday 3 February 2018**  
 at Seasalter Christian Centre  
 from 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm  
 Tickets cost £5 per person and are available from  
 Becky in the church office.  
 Please fee free to bring your own drinks and  
 nibbles.

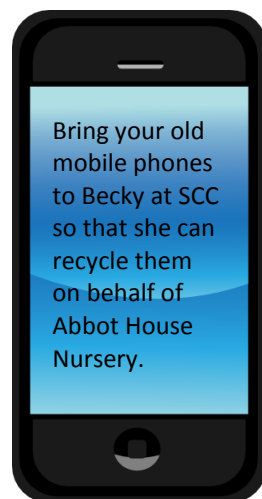


### Outstanding new entrance for Outstanding Nursery

About House was awarded a grant for  
 £8000 by Tesco which was used to fund a  
 new canopy and a multi-use play area that  
 can be used in all weathers.

The children, families and staff are  
 delighted with their new front entrance and  
 canopy which has been financed by the  
 Tesco 'Bags of Help' grant.

See the website for more details.



**MEN!**  
**SCC NEEDS**  
**YOU ...**



**... TO EAT**  
**FOOD!!**

Men's curry night  
 Thursday 25 January at  
 the Peter Cushing  
 (Wetherspoon's) in town



### Third Agers - for your diaries

Tuesday 13 February at 2pm.  
 Comedy film afternoon with tea.  
 'The Belles of St. Trinians'.

Wednesday 21 February to 21 March  
 at 2pm.  
 Lent Course: 'On the Third Day'.

More dates and events to follow  
 shortly.



Churches Together in Whitstable

### Sacred Space

Tuesday 23 January  
 From 8pm to 9pm  
 All Saints' Whitstable

Please bring a torch  
 Silent prayer 8 pm to 8.45 pm  
 Said prayer from 8.45 pm to 9pm

Whitstable Christian Aid AGM will be  
 held at:

27 Queen's Road  
 Whitstable  
 On Thursday 8 March at 4pm



# Be Still and Be Healed

## A Christian Healing Day



**Led by Reverend Canon Sarah Chapman**

Chaplain to The Living Well and  
Diocesan Advisor in Healing and Wholeness

**Saturday 24th February**  
**10 am — 4 pm**

**Seasalter Christian Centre, Faversham Road**  
**Seasalter, CT5 4AX**

Entry and lunch provided by donation.  
For more information & to book please  
contact Diana High on 01227 262495

[www.the-living-well.org.uk](http://www.the-living-well.org.uk)

Registered Charity No.: 1123792



### Inner Space mini-retreat

March 10 2018 2pm - 5pm  
at Seasalter Christian Centre  
'Transformation'

Contact Mark Fagg (07870 500158m [mark.fagg@me.com](mailto:mark.fagg@me.com)) for further details

#### Thanks

Beryl (Davies) thanks everyone for their prayers whilst she's been in hospital and she says 'They haven't gone unanswered'.

#### Thank You

Jamie Oakley (Elaine's son) has now recovered and has been given the 'all clear' from the cancer.

A heartfelt thank you for all the prayers of support for Jim and me whilst he was so ill, and for the cards, phone calls and hugs since he died. I know I am being carried on the raft of your prayers which will help me through the coming times. Please continue to pray for me, (as two dear friends said) as I now fly solo.

Thank you - Ann Shuttle

*Dear Seasalter Church Family*

Thank you so much for your Christmas cards and messages. We have had a happy family celebration here in Ramsgate and are both enjoying our new roles. Feel free to drop in for sea views and ice cream, any time.

You are all very much in our prayers, for God's presence, encouragement and leading as you journey forward into 2018. 'The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it'. (1 Thess. 5.24)

With our love

*Steve, Vicky, Matt, Hannah and Emily*



# News from Children and Families Ministry....

Dear Church Family,

It continues to be both a joy and privilege to serve as Children and Families Minister here at Seasalter and as we start 2018 I feel a sense of excitement at what the year ahead may bring for us all.

At the end of 2017 we were seeing around 70 children with their parents/ carers coming to the Christian Centre during each week for activities such as Jelly Beanz, Pulse or Alphies. On Sundays we have around 40 children coming to worship and I'm also a frequent visitor to both our own Abbot House and Joy Lane School. The Family Fun Morning just before Christmas was attended by 120 children (Parents / carers extra!) and over half of them stayed for the Christingle Service at the end. Add in one off events such as Kickstart holiday clubs and I keep myself fairly busy.

The last year has been challenging for many of us for many reasons and I now find myself precariously short of helpers and leaders in many of the groups. Particular hot spots are

- Pulse
- Jelly Beanz
- Alphies
- Single events

Quite simply, I am very sad to acknowledge that we are now at a point where it will not be possible to carry on with the current level of activities unless we have more volunteers to help.

As this New Year starts please can you pray for me as I face these challenges and also prayerfully consider whether God is calling you to be part of this exciting, challenging, growing and fun ministry field. I would be very happy to talk with anyone who would like to explore this further with me.

With love

Jane



**Sunday Groups:** meet for around 30 minutes during the 11am service, term time only.

**Sparks** is our youngest group (0 to 4yrs) which meets in the crèche. Could you help with leading and storytelling, or thinking of, preparing and leading a craft or singing ?

- 3 people needed ~ time commitment variable on role

**Flames** our group for 5 to 7's who meet in Abbot House.

- always open to offers !

**Energise** The 7 to 11's meet in the Harbour Room.

- an extra helper is needed once a fortnight, no time commitment other than the group on Sunday mornings



**Hydr8:** meets once a month and replaces all other Sunday groups so all children up to age 11 meet as one large group for just over an hour.

- A couple of extra helpers would be great!

**Pulse:** is our after-school club on Monday afternoons from 3.15 to 5pm. Children are aged 5 to 10 and around 30 – 40 children regularly attend. This is a purely social activity where we hope to build relationships with the children and their families. Can you lead a craft table, play board games, wash up, build Lego or meccano?

- 4 helpers urgently needed. Need to be available from 2.45pm until 5.30pm on Mondays (term time only)

**Jelly Beanz:** is our Baby and Toddler Group which meets on Tuesday afternoons from 1pm until 2.30pm. We are a fairly small group currently but we like to provide a range of activities from toys, a craft, to physical play as well as some stories and singing of course!

- 3 helpers urgently needed. Need to be available from mid day until 2.45pm on Tuesdays (term time only)

**Alphies:** is our special time for pre-schoolers with their parents / carers. We meet from mid day and share lunch together before holding a short age appropriate service which will include a bible passage as well as a craft or activity and some singing and prayer time.

- always open to offers !

**One off events** such as Family Fun Mornings, Kickstart holiday clubs. Frequency, type of help and time requirement varies depending on activity – normally only in school holidays.

- These activities are now on hold until we have at least 10 new volunteers.