## **Prayer at the Heart** *Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks*



Please pray for:

Stella and her family following the death from cancer of her nephew Justin. Jane (Sheila Pearse's daughter-in- law) very ill in hospital. Carol Holgate, Beryl Davies and her daughter Karen - prayers for recovery from shock following a car accident. Sheila (Pearse) now suffering with painful shingles. Continued prayers for Beth (Stan and Carol's daughter) as she undergoes chemotherapy. Patricia Page, following an operation for a broken hip. Melissa Clackett, undergoing tests, and for her baby Isaac for his ongoing conditions. Dorothy Vener. Bob Simmons. Debbie (Frances Crocker's daughter), having chemotherapy until the end of the year; unfortunately it is causing her to feel very unwell. Ann Harley, having episodes of problems with her heart. Audrey (Porter) for continued healing of her back. Pat Wade suffering with painful shingles. During October we will be praying for those living in Shamrock Avenue, Dorset Close and Somerset Close.

Pat (Martin) has a knee replacement operation scheduled for Saturday 17 October. Pat asks for prayer for a successful operation and recovery on her own.

## Long term needs - up to 3 months

Ray Clarke. Joan Moss. Isaac Clackett. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Lise Jennings, for relief from pain.

## Prayer Needs

Please contact: Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470

#### We also have a Prayer Requests page on Facebook, please let us know if you would like your prayer needs to be posted there.

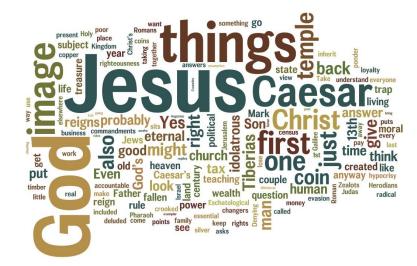
## Thank you

Ann Shuttle would like to thank everyone for their prayers for Chris, her son-inlaw, he's doing well at the moment.

Gill and Vince would like to thank you for your prayers, Gill finished the antibiotics last Monday and they feel hopeful that the infection has been kept at bay.

## Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter 18 October 2020 19<sup>th</sup> after Trinity

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10 and Matthew 22: 15-22



# A Time to Remember

Our Time to Remember Service will take place **on Saturday 31 October at 3pm.** If you would like to attend you will need to book a place with



Becky in the office and let her know the number of people who will be attending with you. You will need to wear a face mask whilst in the SCC building.

If you are able, please collect a purple tag from the office before the day of the service, write the name of your loved one or a message on it and bring it with you to the service. During the service the tags will be hung on our Tree of

Remembrance which will remain in the Auditorium throughout Advent. If numbers require we will hold a second identical service.

If you would like the name of someone read out during the service, please let Ali Fuller know before Friday 30 October, either by email - <u>alifuller@talktalk.net</u> or message/text on 07960 709498. A new list is complied each year so please do not assume that names from previous years will automatically be included.

#### The Living Well St Lukestide Annual Service of Healing and Blessing at Canterbury Cathedral on Sunday 18 October at 7.30 pm in the nave Do join us!

It will also be live streamed and you can access this through the Cathedral website on the evening if you are not able to come. The service will offer corporate prayer for the healing of the nations, for our loved ones and for ourselves, and our Patron and Bishop of Dover Rose Hudson-Wilkin will be our speaker.

You will need to book a ticket online to attend using the following link https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/service-of-healing-and-wholeness-stlukestide-tickets-123020637037.

If you are unable to do this, please contact Annelise Matharu, Administrator of The Living Well and she will book it for you. Places are limited, so please book as soon as you are able to. Please note that there is no parking allowed on the Precincts and entrance will be via Christchurch Gate only.

The Living Well – Canterbury Diocesan Centre for Healing and Wholeness The Vicarage, Vicarage Lane, Nonington, Kent CT15 4JT Tel: 01304 842847 Email: contact@the-living-well.org.uk Web: www.the-living-well.org.uk Registered Charity No. 1123791

#### **Our Values**

All involved • Bearing witness **C**reating community **D**eepening discipleship Encountering God Finding friendship: fun and food **G**iving generously

Everyone playing their part Telling the Christian story Loving and belonging Following Jesus, becoming like him Experiencing his presence Laughing and sharing Giving with gladness

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

#### **Update on Niamh**

I thought you might like to hear about my dear friend Carolyn's niece Niamh whom we prayed for through last year when she was diagnosed with an horrific diagnosis of a childhood cancer on her 17th birthday. The outcome was very bleak to begin with but thankfully the prognosis and outcome was to be very different.

Niamh was in isolation on the Island of Eigg from March till July like many of us so all appointments were postponed.

But she has now had her appointments and the really, really good news is that Niamh is cancer free.

In the last couple of weeks, she has been able to walk short distances without her crutches, Mobility Scotland have provided her with an adapted car so she is able to get out to college and live the life of a young woman.

She may need further plastic surgery on her knee in the future.

She is at college in Glasgow studying Sound Engineering.

Again, Niamh and her family thank all those who prayed for her and continue to do so. It really has made a difference.

Rosalind





## **Bible Notes Library**

This is now 'up and running'!

If you would like to borrow a copy or two, please pop into the office if you are coming to church. Otherwise you can contact Rachel Berner whose details are in the Church Family Directory or

Becky Whittaker seasalterhcristiancentre@yahoo.co.uk 01227 276923

And one of them will arrange delivery for you.

## **Youth Library**

I am planning to start a youth library of Christian books, and would like a wide variety of books such as books on faith, specific to a theme (book of the bible/prayer/evangelism etc), youth bible reading notes, Christian fiction or biographical books etc. Please let me know if you could help in any of these ways:

- If you have any books that you have finished with, think might be suitable for the young people and could donate to the library I would be VERY grateful!!
- If you have read a book yourself that would be suitable and could give me a short overview of what it is about then please send it to me, even if you don't have the book to donate.
- If you have other resources, such as DVDs, that you think the young people would enjoy and are able to donate them then we would really appreciate them too.

Please let me know if you can help in any way. Many thanks Georgina



## **Booking for Sunday Services**

Following our return to worship in the SCC building, we are delighted to say numbers attending have increased each week and both services are now equally attended. Numbers following online are also consistent and there is a real sense of God's presence with us in these strange times as we feel our way in worship.

To allow as many people to attend services as possible, we are able to increase our capacity to up to 40 people per service and hope that this will allow everyone who wants to attend to do so. We must however emphasise that it is important and a requirement that you book a place <u>each week</u> if you wish to attend on a Sunday. This is necessary as we need to comply with the rules set out by the Government and Church of England, all of which are designed to keep everyone safe. As previously mentioned, bookings may be made with Becky in the office from 9.00am Monday morning to 11.00am Friday morning. Becky will confirm your booking, so please do not assume that you have a place if you email or leave a message, particularly if you try to book after the deadline. Don't forget to include any others that you are booking for (i.e. married couples, families, etc.) as we need to account for everyone who attends, whatever their age.

Please attend the service you've booked - if you need to swap, let the office know or if it's after the deadline contact Ali Fuller or Andrew Crocombe. If you can no longer attend on the day and can let us know beforehand, please do as it then frees up that space for others.

If you have any questions, please contact Paulette, Andrew or Ali.

## More from 'Every Day with Jesus'

The present issue of these 'Bible Notes' considers three ingredients needed to know and encounter God: immersing ourselves in His Word, spending time with Him in prayer and discovering His will for us. On 'spending time with God in prayer' the notes include dealing with two aspects of prayer likened to heartbeats. Just as a heart has two pumps to keep it beating and to prevent death, so it is with prayer. What are these two aspects which are so important? They are 'Communion' (developing a relationship with God) and 'Commission' (living out that relationship with God). Read on:

Communion is frequently followed by a sense of commission, for God wants us not only to be involved with Him but also with others. We are saved to serve and unless we serve somebody we will become self-centred and caught up with our own concerns. Many Christians are content to include in their lives a church service on Sunday and perhaps a house group in the week. But between those two times of Christian fellowship and worship are great gaps when there is little or no communion with God. If we want to know what God intends us to do, then we are to be in communion with Him continually. He wants to be included in everything that concerns us – directing, encouraging, inspiring.

Those who do not have a sense of guidance in their lives are missing something vital. Today's commission may be different from yesterday's, but how will we know if we are not in daily communion with Him? If we are not being guided by God, then something else will be guiding us – perhaps our own desires. To be self-managed is to be self-damaged, for we are not good enough, and don't know enough, to guide our own lives. Father God, help me to be someone who is guided – someone who follows Your directions, not occasionally but continually. May I discern Your touch upon my life and go where You want me to go. In Jesus' name. Amen Examples:

Acts 10: 30-33; 11: 4-17

What happened when Cornelius prayed? What happened when Peter prayed?

Donald



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