

Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:



Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

Rosalind, her brothers Martin and John, also Tania and Jenny her daughters, on the death of her mum, Rose. May Rose rest in peace and rise in glory.

Jill (Wimsett) needs prayer for a good recovery following another operation.

Jan (Margaret Tyce-Butcher's friend) is waiting for test results before starting treatment for a type of blood cancer. Continued prayers too for Margaret's brother Peter who is caring for Inger his wife.

Ruth, 26 (Bob Simmons daughter) suffering with painful rheumatoid arthritis and fibromyalgia.

Raichal, on the waiting list for a full hysterectomy.

During April we will be praying for those living in Valkyrie Avenue, Cypress Close and Shearwater Avenue.

Long term needs - up to 3 months

Julia, undergoing chemotherapy for breast cancer.

Stephen, for guidance as he explores new employment possibilities.

Graham Goldstraw, for a continual improvement from Vasculitis.

Barry, Paula's brother-in-law, is home now but of course his care continues and he has a lot of medication to take each day. Thank you for your prayers.

Please pray for Brian Evans, as his Alzheimer's is worsening and for Jane and the wider family as they support him. Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Audrey, Bob, Denise, Dennis, Emma, Katy, Lise and Melissa. Gill Campbell. Pat Wade.

Prayer Needs

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



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 16 April 2023

Easter 2

Reading: Jonah - the whole of chapter 1

Please take this notice sheet home with you

**Lay Ministry
Celebration Day**

Saturday 13 May
St Benedict's Centre, West Malling
10:30am-4:30pm

KEYNOTE BY JO HENDERSON-MERRYGOLD

www.staugustinescollege.ac.uk/events/lay-ministry-celebration-day/

ST AUGUSTINE'S
COLLEGE OF THEOLOGY

This is a day for celebrating, equipping and reflecting together on Lay Ministry in the Church of England, and is for anyone engaged with, training for, or interested in Lay Ministry.

We will gather together from across the South East to meet with opportunities for reflecting and resourcing from a variety of lay people currently engaged in ministry in a variety of different settings.

This is a free even for all those engaged with Lay Ministry warmly welcome - donations optional!

For more information and to book your place:
<https://staugustinescollege.ac.uk/.../lay-ministry.../>

Can you help us with either of these special events for our community over the Coronation weekend?

Community Cafe - Thursday 4 May

The Open Door team are running things differently on **Thursday 4 May** (polling day) with a community cafe and cake stall in the foyer and Oyster Bay room.

We need your help to welcome, serve visitors, donate home made cakes and wash up - with 3 time slots:

- 7am to 9am
- 10am to 12 noon
- 2pm to 4pm

We also need your help to publicise this event with your families, friends and neighbours please.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks, cakes and savouries will be available for a donation - with all profits going to the Canterbury Food Bank.

We hope to bring more of the community together on this day and share more widely the range of community events on offer in Seasalter.

Open Door Indoor Street Party on the morning of Saturday 6 May

We are inviting our community to watch the Coronation on the big screens and celebrate with cakes and sandwiches afterwards.

We need people to sign up in advance and there is a cost of £3 per person.

The Open Door Team would love some extra help to donate cakes, prepare food, set up the hall, welcome and serve visitors and clear up afterwards.

Please let Lynda Kemp or Karen Esland know if you can help in any way. Thank you.

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'When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word . . . '

Those opening words from a well-known hymn about trusting and obeying God frequently come to my mind and the very idea of me walking with the Lord and He walking with me never seems to be out of my mind. The thought was heightened a few weeks' ago whilst reading Andrew Morton's biography 'The Queen'. Apparently on the evening before Princess Diana's funeral there remained one little problem that needed to be solved. Were Princes William and Harry going to walk behind their mother's coffin? It was for them to decide but it was Prince Philip, with whom they had a very good relationship, who helped them make up their minds by saying, 'If I walk, will you walk with me?' That's what actually happened with Philip chatting quietly to the two princes all the way to Westminster Abbey.

There they were in the company of someone they loved and trusted, someone who wanted to help them in a time of sorrow and suffering, someone who cared about them, someone who understood what they were going through, someone who which led me to think of Jesus and His walk with me and mine with Him, a walk I have had now during 70 of the 91 years of my earthly life, a walk with a journey where the best is yet to come, a walk that continues throughout eternity.

Having shared this brief testimony in church on Easter Day I have asked for it to be included in these notices for the benefit of those who, for whatever reason, were unable to be there and because I want to tell you of the 'God incidence' that goes with it. The 'Every Day with Jesus' bible notes on Monday 10 April, based on the walk to Emmaus event recorded in Luke's gospel, ended with this sentence: 'As we take time to consider our walk with Him, we will surely be able to discern His presence, walking with us.'

Donald

Something to Share?

If you would like to contribute to these church notices; or subscribe to the (electronic) mailing list do please get in touch with me. Please be aware when supplying contact information, this notice sheet is circulated physically and digitally via our website, social media and email.

The deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday.

Paula. Email: deaneves@msn.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry and CAMEO talk Monday 17 April 2.30pm in All Saints Hall

Brenda Tumber MBE, a trustee of a development project which is partly funded by the soroptimists is giving a talk on recent developments in the Kori region of Sierra Leone.

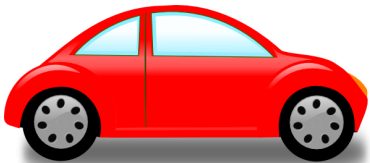
Working with this project has formed part of All Saints Prayer Shawl Ministry's outreach work, knitting little children's jumpers and baby blankets. The talk is free and there is no need to book, just turn up. Tea and cake provided. We look forward to seeing you. Organiser: Sue Smith.

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.



There are a small number of people in our congregation who are no longer driving or who are no longer able to offer lifts to others to church. It can be devastating to suddenly have to stop attending simply because you can't get there.

Although as a church we aren't permitted to set up a formal arrangement for lifts, we'd like to encourage people who drive to look out for our brothers and sisters in the congregation who may need some help in this way. Hopefully one day someone will do the same for us!

Thank you (and thank you to those who already do this so faithfully),
love Paulette.

Yay! and Pray

This week we are ...

Celebrating:

- Giving thanks to God for being able to journey together through the reflection, the sadness, and finally the joy of Holy Week and Easter.
- Giving thanks for those helping cover the office and hospitality for bookings while we seek to appoint a new administrator for the Christian Centre.

Praying for:

- Praying for Mark Fagg as he leads on the project updating our IT and AV.
- Praying for our elders and especially for those struggling to get out and about as they used to.



[Canterbury Food Bank | Donate Now](#)

Click on the link above to found out which items are most needed every week.

The Office

Some very kind volunteers will be covering most of the office duties along with Andrew Crocombe as the Churchwarden managing this, during the gap between Becky leaving and the new person being appointed in this key role.

This notice is an appeal for extra grace, kindness, patience and support from church family in any dealings with the office while this happens and while the new person finds their feet, hopefully starting around the end of April/early May once recruited. Thank you.

ANNUAL DISTRICT CHURCH MEETING

The church's Annual Meeting will be held on Monday 24th April at 7.30pm at SCC. Please do try and attend this important meeting where we shall give thanks to the Lord for all that has happened over the last extraordinary year and a bit and also think and pray about the people we need to represent us on various bodies. If you are unable to attend in person but are able to join the meeting on Zoom, the link, password and code are:

Topic: ADCM

Time: Apr 24, 2023 07:15 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85149610982?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85149610982?pwd=a3JpNHRibjN3eINZZ2E1bjNtWXlkZz09)

[pwd=a3JpNHRibjN3eINZZ2E1bjNtWXlkZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85149610982?pwd=a3JpNHRibjN3eINZZ2E1bjNtWXlkZz09)

Meeting ID: 851 4961 0982

Passcode: 184716

One of the important tasks of the Annual Meeting is to elect those who will guide or represent the church over the next year. This year we need to elect to the Deanery Synod four representatives. There are the usual three vacancies for our District Church Council (DCC) and two places on the Team Council (PCC) - if you are a member of the Deanery Synod or PCC you are automatically a member of the DCC too. We also elect the two Churchwardens and two Deputy Wardens. If you would like to serve in any of these ways or know of someone who would be suitable for one of these roles (please talk to the person before nominating them!) please complete a nomination form available from the Churchwardens or the office. If you would like any further information about any of the roles or the Annual Meeting, please speak to Paulette, Andrew or Ali.

Copies of the Annual Report Booklet will be available shortly.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is the list of church members who are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and indicates that you would like to be formally seen as a member of this church. Every year the Electoral Roll has to be revised by adding or deleting names as necessary. If you are not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be, please complete an application form available today and subsequently from Elaine Oakley - Electoral Roll Officer, or a Churchwarden. Completed forms MUST be received by Sunday 23rd April 2023. **PLEASE NOTE: If you are already on the Electoral Roll you do not need to do anything.**

CALLING ALL MATURE DRIVERS!

Free presentation

2.30 pm 18th April 2023

at Seasalter Christian Centre (49 Faversham Road Seasalter CT5 4AX)



The KCC Road Safety Team will be delivering a Mature Drivers' Presentation at 2:30pm on Tuesday 18th April at Seasalter Christian Centre. This is aimed at drivers over 60 who are currently driving.

This is a friendly, informal, and informative session, we hope everyone will go away with a little extra knowledge to help them stay driving safer for longer. Subjects covered will be common crash causation, impairment including fatigue and medication, smart motorways and eco driving.

We had some very positive comments last time, for example:

"It will jog the memory and make you think. It would make you feel happier in yourself knowing if you're still okay. After listening to this, it's given me the confidence to say that I'm still alright driving"

This is a FREE presentation and will take up no more than 1 and a half hours on the day.

Please contact Paulette by e-mail on paulette.stubbings@stalphegeseasalter.org or tell her the next time you meet if you'd like to come to the presentation. We need to know numbers attending.