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 30 April 2023

Easter 4

Reading: Jonah3:6 - 4:10

Please take this notice sheet home with you

POLLING

Community Cafe and Cake Stall THURSDAY 4 MAY

Seasalter Christian Centre, 49 Faversham Road CT5 4AX 01227 276923

All are welcome to join us - whether voting in person or just out for a stroll.

7am to 9am (stay awhile or grab a takeaway) 10am to 12 noon 2pm to 4pm

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

Please share this post with friends, family and neighbours.

Confirmations on 11 May at SCC 6.30 pm

Do please join us for this year's Confirmation service, which we have the privilege of hosting at St Alphege Seasalter. Candidates from across the Deanery will be Confirmed by Bishop Rose.

From Seasalter, Cherryl Abel and Josh Abel will be being confirmed, and it would be really good to support them. There will be refreshments after the service.

Holy Communion at the 10.30 Service

From May onwards, we are moving Holy Communion at the 10.30 service to usually happen on the LAST Sunday in the month rather than the first Sunday. This is for practical reasons of cover because the Old Church service takes place on the first Sunday of the month, it is sometimes difficult to make sure we have a priest and a churchwarden



available in both locations, and this change will help with that. Paulette

Cakes for Confirmation - Thursday 11th May

St Alphege Seasalter is hosting the Confirmation Service on

Thursday 11th May and we are required to provide refreshments afterwards. If you are able to make a cake/cakes, please write your name on the sign up sheet on the table at the back of the auditorium. Please bring cakes to SCC by 5.30pm on the day.



We also require volunteers to prepare and serve refreshments so if you are able to help, please let Ali know.

Thank you. churchwardens@stalphegeseasalter.org

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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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

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.

Connect Groups are the small group programme within St Alphege Seasalter. Groups meet at various times and venues and cater to most needs and tastes. All groups attempt to support each member physically, emotionally and spiritually. Are you 'Connected'? Speak to anyone wearing a **Connect Badge to get involved or email** connect@stalphegesesalter.org

Reminders

13 May - Lay Ministry Celebration Day

New Wine - 26 - 30 July & 1 - 5 August

Satellites 2023 - 4 - 8 August

All of the above will be re-run in this notice sheet in future issues.

Yay! and Pray

This week we are ...

Celebrating:



- Giving thanks for our Annual Meeting, for the discussions and passion for ministry and service to church and for community.
- Giving thanks for Nicki and Steve Dawson who • celebrated 28 years of marriage by renewing their vows at the Old Church on Saturday 22nd April.

Praying for:

All who were elected to serve as CWs, on DCC and at Deanery and Diocesan Synod.



Hannah Morris who has been accepted for • Ordination Training (Hannah did her placement with us at Seasalter) and who begins this is September. Prayers for her family too.



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

Children's and Young People's Sunday Groups

Blaze - Age 3 to 11 years in Oyster Bay Room Youth - Age 12 to 18 years in The Beach Room





Please Pray!

How often we hear that request. On this occasion it comes from a female Police Officer who is part of the black community. Deborah Akinlawon QPM makes this request in an article in the April edition of the Christian Police Association's magazine 'On & Off Duty'.

She is writing within hours of the publication of the damning report by Baroness Casey on London's Metropolitan Police Force. Many of the things in the report relate to Deborah's own experience.

Please Pray! Thankfully Deborah doesn't just leave it at that as many such requests often do, but lists things for us – yes you and me – to pray for.

'Pray for the police, not just the Met, but policing as a whole. Pray for those that lead them, Commissioners, Chief Constables, Government Leaders. Pray for resources to better equip the police and proper stewarding of those resources. Pray for the right people to join the police. Pray for all kinds of discrimination to be routed out of the Met and policing as a whole. Pray for all those who have suffered discrimination and bear the scars today; for them to find healing. Pray for the Christians within the organisation to be beacons of light. Stand with us, don't give up on us. Did Jesus give up on you??'

PLEASE PRAY!!

Donald Lugg (Police Chaplain at Herne Bay, Canterbury and Nackington)

Upcoming Services and Key Church Events

Please read the fuller notices for groups and other activities.

Sunday 7 May 8.45 HC at SCC 10.30 All Age Service with groups for children/young people at SCC 11.15 Old Church traditional Holy Communion.

<u>Thursday 11 May</u> Reculver Deanery Confirmations, 6.30 pm SCC

