Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Roy (Bentley) recovering at home following his heart surgery. Please also pray for Hazel.
- Jill and Tom (Seddon), both unwell
- John (Carol's husband) Judge recovering at home.
- Audrey (Porter), adjusting to health challenges.
- Donald. with back pain and previous health issues.

During March we will be praying for those living in The Heights, Spring Walk and Meadow Walk..

Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Lenni (Oakley).
- Gill (Campbell).
- Janice and Graeme (Allott). Frances Crocker. Ted North. Pat Wade. Paul Browning.
- Ann Shuttle and her sister, Joan.
- Dave (Remon), suffering from Parkinson's.
- Brian Evans.
- Ruth.
- Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Bob, Dennis, Denise, Emma, Katherine, Katy, Rosalind and Stella (Masters).

We give thanks for all who care faithfully for others - because it's their job, or because they are caring for a loved-one. We pray for strength and rest and the support of others.

We give thanks for the wonderful news that Mark (Temple) has been given the all-clear following his recent operation.

If you would like someone to be added to the prayer needs ,please contact: Carol Judge 277752 or David & Lynda Kemp 272470



Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 23 March 2025 (Third of Lent)

Readings: Isaiah 42: 1-7 Matthew 5: 13-16



We need your help!?!

Our Easter event is just around the corner, and we're looking for enthusiastic volunteers! It's a chance to be part of something truly special, bringing smiles and cheer to our community. We've got a variety of roles, so whether you're a hands-on type who loves setting up gazebos, an creative whiz who can help with overseeing a specific station setup, a baking star ready to whip up delicious cakes, or a friendly face who enjoys chatting with people, there's a place for you. Let's make this Easter unforgettable together!

If you are able to help in any way!

Please sign up with Hannah!

<u>Running on the following days</u> Monday 14th April - (10am - 3pm) Tuesday 15th April - (10am - 3pm)



THIS WEEK at St Alphege Seasalter

We do our best to compile this so the info is in one place - but we are a busy church - apologies if something gets missed

Mon 24 10 am Woodcarving Group SCC 1.30 pm Forge Craft group

9.30 - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group SCC

Wed 26 8 - 8.45 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881 Password

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I Tue 25

2.30 pm Mid Week Holy Communion Service SCC

I Thu 27 10 - 11.30 am Open Door Community Coffee Morning SCC

1 Fri 28 10 - 12 Lent Bible Study group SCC

2pm Social Games SCC

6 pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette for

details: 07305 611437)

Sun 30 8 am prayer at SCC

8.45 am Service with Holy Communion SCC

10.30 am Service with groups for Children & Young People SCC



Church Notices Please note that the deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. *Paula* Email: notices@stalphegeseasalter.org

Calling All Cake Bakers

Would you be able to bake a cake for our Marriage Preparation Couples attending a course here on Saturday 29/03/25?

This is a lovely way to make these couples feel really welcomed

and loved as they prepare for their forthcoming marriage to serve them homemade cakes.

There is a sign up sheet at the back of church or for further information please contact me: Rosalind Drewitt 07594 604333 or email: rosbeth50@outlook.com







Next Meeting: Thursday 27 March at 7pm Harbour room SCC All welcome



Message from Claude Thank you for the kind gift and prayers from my Seasalter family

Safeguarding

We at SCC and as a Christian family take safeguarding very seriously (safeguarding is working to protect children and adults from harm, abuse and neglect),

There are on-line courses available on the Diocesan safeguarding website which we encourage all members of the Church family to undertake. It is a requirement that you undergo this training if you have any role within the Church Community.

Some people may have undergone safeguarding training through another organisation or for their employment, however, we still require them to do the Diocese training as well.

Thank-you to those who have already undertaken this training. The course has to be completed every 3 years, and I will be contacting you to remind you if the training is due this year. If I have not contacted, you and you are aware you need to do it then please let me know by email?

Please also let me know when you have completed any training so that I can update my documentation and the Diocese Dashboard. Many thanks for your support with this.

The link for the training is

Safeguarding - Diocese of Canterbury (canterburydiocese.org) Hilary Poulton – Safeguarding Lead Hilary.poulton@stalphegeseasalter.org 07740631434 On behalf of the Safeguarding team Paulette, Hannah, Mark and Hilary

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL 2025

The Electoral Roll is the list of church members who are entitled to vote at the Annual District Church Meeting.

Every five years a new Electoral Roll has to be prepared and everyone who wishes to have their name entered on the new roll must apply for enrolment by completing the application form.

The Electoral Roll application forms are available today and subsequently from Elaine Oakley - Electoral Roll Officer, or Ali Fuller, Churchwarden.

Completed forms MUST be received by Friday 25th April 2025.

Please note if you do not apply to be on the Electoral Roll by 25th April 2025 you will not be able to vote at the Annual District Church Meeting.

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Want a job to fit in around existing commitments? St Andrew's Church Centre, Grimshill Road, Whitstable, CT5 4LH is looking for a

CLEANER/CARETAKER

7 hours a week in Term Time. with additional hours during school holidays as required. Hours flexible to fit in around existing hirers (approx. 1-2 hours, 4-5 times a week)

National Living Wage (£12.21 per hour from April 2025)

Experience cleaning a commercial premises useful, but not essential. Ability to do small maintenance tasks useful but not essential.

This position is subject to a basic DBS check.

If interested, please send a brief resume to: Rev Rachel Webbley, Team Rector Whitstable Team Ministry, vicar@stalphege.org.uk or The Vicarage, West Cliff, Whitstable, CT5 1DN

> Deadline: Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Interviews: Friday 2nd May 2025 Start Date: Monday 5th May 2025



Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .



Giving thanks for Claude Gayle and her new job as Vicar for St. Nicholas, Allington and St. Paul's, Boxley Road in Maidstone; praying for her as she is licenced into that role on Monday 24th.



Praying for:

Please pray for more viewings as we head into Spring, and for the selling of the bungalow at the right price.



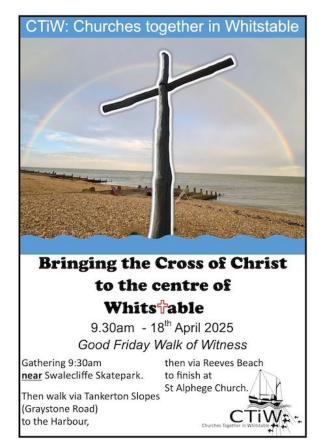


Information about RUNWAY

We are pausing our RUNWAY bi-monthly Sunday evening service for now. RUNWAY was set up late 2023 by a team of younger adults with the aim of creating a church service and community particularly for this age group.

Changes in the lives and circumstances of the original team have meant there's no longer the capacity to keep the services going, however the existing RUNWAY community of younger adults will be keeping in touch socially and to support one another whilst thinking and praying about new ways to share in the journey of faith. They would love our prayer support as they do this.

Grateful thanks to the RUNWAY Team for working through the challenges as well as the joys.



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.

Used Stamps

Please let Ann Price have your used postage stamps and she will ensure that they will be processed to raise funds for Pilgrims Hospice.

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Holy Week and Easter:

13 April Palm Sunday - 8.45 Service as usual with blessing of palms, 10.30 Gather Round Palm Sunday service (all ages)

Experience Easter - Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 April - Interactive Easter Story -see separate information for details on how to book in.

17 April Maundy Thursday Meal - 6 pm at SCC for all ages

18 April Good Friday - Walk of Witness joining with the Churches Together in Whitstable, beginning at 9.30 from near Swalecliffe Skate Park, going through the town and ending at St Alphege Whitstable.

18 April Good Friday - 2- 3 pm an hour at the Cross (Old Church) peaceful guided reflection and prayer

20 April Easter Day - 8.30 Beach Service (on the beach near Seasalter Water Ski club) followed by bacon rolls/refreshments at SCC and then our main Easter Day service at 10.00 am for all ages.

27 April - Sunday after Easter - both 8.45 and 10.30 services as usual.

