

## Intercessions.

Please email clintonendavis@btinternet.com or phone 01622 682330 to add or remove names from the list.

### Please pray for these and their families

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Vera Alflatt        | Wendy Marks             |
| John Coates         | John Matthews           |
| Joe Daniels         | Mollie Neaves           |
| Cathy Garner        | Jeff Fernet Randell     |
| Michael Greenstreet | Jane Sadler             |
| Marguerite Hart     | Stephen                 |
| Daphne Holland      | Ray & Margaret Stephens |
| Brenda Hope         | Michael Walsh           |
| Audrey Little       | Jane Wearne             |
| Augustine Marchie   |                         |

### the departed and all who mourn their passing

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| Margaret Ambler | Lucy Marks      |
| Joyce Arkless   | Maurice Mowbray |

## THE PARISH OF

## ALL SAINTS with ST PHILIP, MAIDSTONE and ST STEPHEN, TOVIL

Sunday 1 February 2015

### The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

#### At All Saints

Readings for the 8.00 am Eucharist begin on page 205 in the BCP and the service starts on page 237.

#### Music for the 9.30 am Parish Eucharist:

Introit: Nunc Dimittis – Walmisley in D

Hymns are included in the printed order of service

Service: Thorne

#### Communion Motets:

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| Nunc Dimittis  | Dyson in F  |
| A tender shoot | Goldschmidt |

Psalm after the Dismissal: 24.7-10

Choral Evensong is at 6.30 pm.

#### At St Philip's and St Stephen's

Hymns are announced and/or displayed.

Do stay for refreshments after 9.30 and 11.00!

## Notices

### All Saints' Crèche

More help is needed. If you can offer assistance please speak to Gaye Charlton or Mollie Neaves.

### The Deanery Synod Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> February

is open to all members of our congregations. Canon Kerry Thorpe, Diocesan Mission and Growth Advisor will be helping us to 'find traction for the gospel in 21<sup>st</sup> century Maidstone'. The meeting is at Christ Church, Parkwood at 7.30 pm.

### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Parish Lunch at St Philip's Church and Centre 1.00 pm

#### Menu

Roast Beef (Vegetarian option Salmon), Roast Potatoes,  
Yorkshire Pudding, Broccoli, Carrots, Peas and Gravy  
Jam Sponge Pudding and Custard  
£6.00 a head

Book with Barbara Cook: phone 01622 671782  
or email b.cook123@btinternet.com.

### 'Food for the Journey' - Lent Course 2015

Bishop Trevor is inviting us to deepen our experience of Christ through John ch.21. A lakeside meal is the setting for a conversation that reveals the most remarkable things about Jesus. He is our source of ultimate nourishment – *Our Food for the Journey* - without which we cannot flourish. How does he invite us to experience him within this resurrection story - nourishing us for our day to day lives, so that we may nourish others? *How will you respond?*

**Tue 24<sup>th</sup> & Thu 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – Lent 1 - See**

**Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> & Thu 5<sup>th</sup> March – Lent 2 - Eat**

**Tue 10<sup>th</sup> & Thu 12<sup>th</sup> March – Lent 3 - Love**

**Tue 17<sup>th</sup> and Thu 19<sup>th</sup> March – Lent 4 - Know**

**Tue 24<sup>th</sup> & Thu 26<sup>th</sup> March – Lent 5 – Follow**

St Philip's: Tuesday 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm  
incorporating the Eucharist

or

All Saints: Thursdays 12.30 pm – 2.00 pm  
The Eucharist is followed by group discussion

## What's on this Week

**Tuesday 3 February 2015**  
10.00 am - noon Coffee & Chat at St Philip's

**Wednesday 4 February 2015**  
10.00 am - noon Seedlings at St Philip's  
**1.00 pm – 2.30 pm Lite Bite Lunch and Talk**  
at St Philip's

**Thursday 5 February 2015**  
12.30 pm Eucharist said in All Saints  
**7.30 pm Deanery Synod Open Meeting**  
*'Where do we grow from here'*  
at Christ Church, Parkwood

**Saturday 7 February 2015**  
10.00 am All Saints Restoration Trust in Vestry

**Sunday 8 February 2015**

### The Second Sunday before Lent

8.00 am Eucharist said at All Saints

9.30 am Choral Eucharist at All Saints

11.00 am Family Eucharist at St Philip's

Readings for the main Eucharists:  
Proverbs 8.1, 22-31; Colossians 1.15-20; John 1.1-14

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PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU

## CW Eucharistic Readings & Prayers today

### COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son was this day presented in  
the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you  
with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### READING Hebrews 2.14-end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

### GOSPEL Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant  
in peace,  
according to your word;  
for my eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you have prepared in the presence of  
all peoples,  
a light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in

Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

### POST COMMUNION

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to  
bring us to eternal life;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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*At St Philip's in the morning and at All Saints in the evening, during the final hymn we light our candles and follow the choir in procession to the font where we face the font and say:*

Father, here we bring to an end our celebration of the Saviour's birth.

**Help us, in whom he has been born,  
to live his life that has no end.**

Here we have offered the Church's sacrifice of praise.

**Help us, who have received the bread of life,  
to be thankful for your gift.**

Here we have rejoiced with faithful Simeon and Anna.

**Help us, who have found the Lord in his temple,  
to trust in your eternal promises.**

Here we have greeted the light of the world.

**Help us, who extinguish these candles,  
never to forsake the light of Christ.**

Here we stand near the place of baptism.

**Help us, who are marked with the cross,  
to share the Lord's death and resurrection.**

Here we turn from Christ's birth to his passion.

**Help us, for whom Lent is near,  
to enter deeply into the Easter mystery.**

Here we bless one another in your name.

**Help us, who now go in peace,  
to shine with your light in the world.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**