

Parish Notices

Deanery Prayer for February – Please see Community Magazine and Notice Boards for further details.

PCC Draft Accounts – Have now been sent to our Independent Examiner in preparation for our APCM. The draft accounts can be seen on our website by entering the link www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk/draftaccounts2019.pdf

Ash Wednesday – Communion Service at St Philips on Wednesday 26th February at 7.30pm with bread and soup. If you are attending please contact Barbara on 01622 671782.

Maidstone Street Pastors – New Year –New Challenge? If you are interested in volunteering please email Maidstone@streetpastors.org.uk

Willington Players – Next production at the Hazlitt Theatre is 'An Ideal Husband' by Oscar Wilde and runs from Tuesday 21st to Saturday 25th April 2020. We are booked in for Wednesday 22nd April. Tickets £15 from Diane Daniels 01622 674494

Lay Diocesan Synod vacancy – One of the Diocesan Synod representatives has had to stand down which means there is a casual vacancy for the remainder of her term on Diocesan Synod which will run until August 2020. If anyone is interested in standing please contact Diane Enfield diaenenfield001@gmail.com nomination forms need to be completed and returned by Friday 14th February 2020.

If anyone would like to add anything to the weekly notices please speak to the Church Wardens or the Priest in Charge

Please take this leaflet away with you ☺

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**The Parish of All Saints
with St Philip, Maidstone and
St Stephen, Tovil
www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk**

**Sunday 2nd February 2020
Presentation of Christ in the Temple
Candlemas**

At All Saints



Special Order of Service

Music for the 9.30am Parish Eucharist Service - Thorne

NEH 10 Long ago, prophets knew
NEH 44 Faithful vigil ended
NEH 408 Love Divine, all loves excelling
NEH 205 Christ is made the sure foundation

Communion Motet:

When to the Temple Mary went – [Eccard]

Psalm after the dismissal

Psalm 24vv.1-10

Organ voluntary:

Prelude in f minor BWV 535 – J.S Bach

**Please come and join us for refreshments
after the Service**

**Other Services/Events in the Parish for the
02nd February**

11am Parish Eucharist at St Philips
6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

MUSIC IN WORSHIP

During February the:

- *the PSALMS (as well as the HYMNS) follow the Lectionary; and hence are intended to form an integral part of the Bible readings, as illustrated by the fact that they are now being reproduced (in the Notice Sheet)*
- *MOTETS and ANTHEMS, apart from at Candlemas, celebrate the figure of Jesus through various settings of the "Ave Verum"*
- *PARISH COMMUNION setting, by popular request, is Thorne*

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 forever.

READING 1

Malachi 3.1-5

READING 2

Hebrews 2.14-end

GOSPEL

Luke 2.22-40

Gospel Acclamation (All Saints Only)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! This child is the
light to en / lighten the / nations, and the glory
/ of your / people / Israel.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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 forever.

Psalms 24 vv 1-10

1. THE earth is the Lord's, and all that
therein is: the compass of the world,
and they that dwell therein.
2. For he hath founded it upon the seas:
and prepared it upon the floods.
3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the
Lord: or who shall rise up in his holy
place?
4. Even he that hath clean hands, and a
pure heart: and that hath not lift up his
mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive
his neighbour.
5. He shall receive the blessing from the
Lord: and righteousness from the God
of his salvation.
6. This is the generation of them that
seek him: even of them that seek thy
face, O Jacob.

7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be
ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the
King of glory shall come in.
8. Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord
strong and mighty, even the Lord
mighty in battle.
9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be
ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the
King of glory shall come in.
10. Who is the King of glory: even the Lord
of hosts, he is the King of glory.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 03 rd	
Tues 04 th	10am – 12noon Coffee & Chat at St Philips
Wed 05 th	No Said Eucharist at All Saints 1.00pm – 2.30pm Lite Bite Lunch at SP
Thu 06 th	
Fri 07 th	7.00pm All Saints Choir (College Rooms)
Sat 08 th	
Sun 09 th	No 8am Service at AS 9.30am Choral Eucharist at AS 11.00am Worship for All at SP 11.00am Café Sundae at SS

Readings for the main Eucharist next week Sunday 09th February 2020

3rd Sunday before Lent

Isa 58.1-9a

1 Corinthians 2.1-12

Matthew 5.13-20

Intercessions:

Please pray for these and their families:

Jean Williamson, Revd Kes Grant, Clive &
Andrea Lever, Johnjo Flood, Vera Alflatt,
Millie Moss, Audrey Little, Chris CSJD,
Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon, Jane Sadler,
Revd Brian Barnes, Keith Manuell. Mary
Wheeler, Revd Ron & Dawn Gamble,
Kelly & Family, Janet, Julian, Owen Reeves,
Pat Stark

The departed and all who mourn their Passing:

Readings for Sunday 2nd February Presentation of Christ in the Temple Candlemas

Malachi 3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

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.

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.