

Intercessions

Please email frauke.parrish@gmail.com or phone 01622 756002 to add/remove names of this list.
Thank you.

Please pray for these and their families

Carol Winter	John Matthews
Julie Clark	John Coates
Brian & Elizabeth Coleman	Jeff Fernet Randell
Joe Daniels	Jane Sadler
Jeff & Beryl Foxley	Sister Shirley CSJD
Dawn Gamble	Ray & Margaret Stephens
Michael Greenstreet	Winnie Thompson
Daphne Holland	Jane Wearne
Brenda Hope	Vera Alflat
Cheryl Neller	Daphne Lee

The departed and all who mourn their passing

Jim Winter

Notices

Advent Justice Appeal The Diocese is asking us to raise funds to help with a co-ordinated response to the refugee crisis. Please read the details at the back of church (by coffee area) for more info. Thank you!

A Christmas Hamper is being raffled in All Saints and is on display at the back of church. The draw date is 20th Dec with delivery before Christmas. Profits are for the Restoration Fund.

A 'Silent Auction' is being held for a water colour painting at All Saints, painted in 1936 by AW Dowle and is on display at the back of church with envelopes containing the bids. Please pass these to Mary Shaw in aid of the restoration Fund.

Carol Singing in the Community. Meet at St Philip's this Friday 11th Dec at 5pm ☺

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Please be aware that throughout Advent at All Saints, as we long for Jesus to come, we shall sing various verses of the hymn during the service and reflect on the different words that represent the Christ; Emmanuel, wisdom, majesty etc.

Deanery Prayer for December

This month please pray for our deanery as a whole and our town which we seek to serve.
You are helping to build our deanery on a solid foundation of prayer – thank you so much for your support.

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Our Facebook Page: "All Saints with St Philip and St Stephen Maidstone"

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ALL SAINTS with ST PHILIP, MAIDSTONE

and ST STEPHEN, TOVIL

www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk

**Sunday 6th December
2nd Sunday of Advent**

At All Saints

Readings for the 8.00am Eucharist begin on page 49 in the BCP and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30am Parish Eucharist:

Service: Thorne

NEH 11 vv 1,3 & 4 – O come, O come, Emmanuel

NEH 12 – On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

NEH 7 – Hills of the North, rejoice

Introit: Plainchant O Radix Jesse O Clavis David

Communion Motets:

Adam lay y bounden Ord

Zion hoert die Waechter Bach

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philip's

11.00am Christingle Service at St Stephen's

3.00pm Maidstone United Carol Service at All Saints

St Philip's and St Stephen's hymns are announced and displayed.

**Please join us for refreshments
after 9.30 and 11.00 service**

What's on this Week

Monday	7 December 2015
10.30am - 2.30pm	Primary School Carols, All Saints
Tuesday	8 December 2015
10.00am - noon	Coffee & Chat at St Philip's
10.00am - 3.30pm	Primary School Carols, All Saints
6.00pm - 7.45pm	Sandling School Carols, All Saints
Wednesday	9 December 2015
10.00am - noon	St Philip's Toddlers at St Philip's
7.00pm - 9.00pm	MGS Carols, All Saints
Thursday	10 December 2015
12.30pm	Eucharist said at All Saints
7.00-9.00pm	Invicta Grammar Carols, All Saints
Friday	11 December 2015
2.45pm	Funeral of the late Jim Winter, Vinters Park
5.00pm	Carol Singing in the Community, St Philip's
Saturday	12 December 2015
7.30pm	Maidstone Choral Union, All Saints
Sunday	13 December 2015

3rd Advent Sunday

8.00 Eucharist said at All Saints

Revd Ian

9.30 Choral Eucharist at All Saints

Revd Clinton

11.00 Family Eucharist at St Philip's

David Freed & Revd Ian

Readings for main Eucharist next week:

Zephaniah 3.14-end, Philipians 4.4-7, Luke 3.7-18

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU ☺

CW Eucharistic Readings & Prayers today

COLLECT

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

READING Malachi 3.1-4

The Coming Messenger

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.

READING Philippians 1.3-11

Paul's Prayer for the Philippians

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart,* for all of you share in God's grace* with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For **God** is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of

Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God
Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 3.1.6

The Proclamation of John the Baptist

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler* of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler* of the region of Iturea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler* of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'" '

POST COMMUNION

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.