Parish Office: 01622 688270 office.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com Intercessions

Please pray for these and their families

Jean Williamson Vera Alflatt Revd Kes Grant Millie Moss Sam Jenner & Family **Audrey Little** Clive & Andrea Lever **Ruth Crewe** Derek & Sue Parker Chris CSJD Dawn Gamble Daphne Holland Manuell Family Niael Gunvon Debbie Proctor & Family Diana Caley

Stella Bridges & Family Patty

JohnJo Flood Jane Sadler

Jenny Wooldridge & Family Family of late Ann Grant

The departed and all who mourn their passing
Ann Grant Brian Wooldridge
Geoffrey Roscow Alistair Crewe
Ken Bridges Carl Proctor

Notices

Brian Wooldridge's funeral will be held at Vinters Park Crematorium on 17th December at 12.30pm

<u>Thank you -</u> A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated, attended and helped in making our All Saints Christmas Fair happen. We could not have done it without your help. We had a successful day in raising Parish Funds and reaching out to our community. Frauke

Newsletter Distribution – We are looking for volunteers to help deliver St Philip's Christmas newsletter to the local community around the Church on Thursday 13th December. Please speak to Denise or Janice. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

<u>Carol Singing</u> – It is planned to assemble a group to sing carols in selected neighbourhoods on the evenings of the 17th & 19th December 2018 followed by hot soup at St Philips .Enthusiasm is more important than skill.

<u>Choral Music</u> – "This month's Communion motets and Evensong anthems celebrate Christ's Coming of Birth"

The Wilmington Players – Can confirm they are performing the much loved comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace". The Wednesday night performance would be on the 1st May at the Hazlitt Theatre.

Deanery Prayer for December - Please see Community and the notice boards for further details.

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

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www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk 09th December 2018 The Second Sunday of Advent At All Saints

Readings at the 8.00am Said Eucharist begin on page 49 and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30am Choral Eucharist

Service: Wills

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

NEH 7 Hills of the North, rejoice NEH 14 The advent of our God

NEH 16 Wake, O wake! With tidings thrilling

Communion Motets:

O come, O come Emmanuel arr. Willcocks **Psalm after the dismissal:** Psalm 150

Organ Voluntary – Watchet Auf ruft uns die stimme BWV645 JS Bach

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philips **11.00am** Christingle Service at St Stephens

Please join us for refreshments after the 9.30am & 11.00am Service

What's on this Week

Monday 10th December 12.45-3.30pm Maidstone Business Carols at AS

Tuesday 11th December
10.00am – 12noon Coffee & Chat at St Philips C & C
2.00pm-3.00pm Southborough Carols at All Saints

Thursday 13th December No Mid-day Eucharist at All Saints

7.30pm-9.30pm Valley Park Carols at All Saints

Friday 14th December 11am-7.00pm Valley Park Carols at All Saints

Saturday 15th December 7.30pm Rock Choir Concert at All Saints

Sunday 16th December

The Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am BCP Said Eucharist at All Saints
9.30am Parish Eucharist at All Saints
11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philips
4.00pm Carol Service at St Philips
6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Readings for the main Eucharist next week Zeph.3.14-end Phil 4.4-7 Luke 3.7-18

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

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

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 Luke 3.1-6

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 Ituraea 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." '

Gospel Acclamation (All Saints Only)
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia Prepare the way
of the Lord, make his/ paths/ straight, and all
flesh shall see the sal / vation / of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia

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.

Please take this leaflet away with you!

