Notices

St Philips Clean

Thank you all for your offers of help with the cleaning of the centre

The preferred dates are:
Monday 21st August from 9.30am
Wednesday 23rd August from 9.30am

If you are available for either date or both your help will be so much appreciated. Please bring along any cleaning materials you might prefer to use yourself. We will have some in the cleaning cupboard of course

Your help is so much appreciated Many thanks Denise.

Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Sunday October 15th at St. Stephen's will be the Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 10:00am. This will follow on from the School Harvest the previous Friday October 13th. After the Sunday service and coffee we will be celebrating the occasion with a Hog Roast served to us by FFF Catering. More details will be available in September....

Pre Advent-Lunch

There will be a Pre Advent-Lunch to celebrate the first two years of our time together as a Parish under the leadership of John Richardson. This will take place on Thursday November 23rd at 12 noon for 12:30pm at Newchurch House Restaurant in the heart of Romney Marsh. It will be a three-course meal including drinks at the cost of £25 per head. Spaces are limited to thirty so the boards will be ready for bookings from mid-September.

Open Day

Details for the Open Day with Sue and John Richardson at The Rectory in Dymchurch TN29 0LD on Saturday September 2nd, 2023, are as follows

10-12 Morning Coffee
12-2:00pm Ploughman's Lunch
2:00-4:00pm Team and Cakes
Please sign the sheet at the back of
church for catering purposes asap.
Thank you.

The Parish of All Saints
With St Philip, Maidstone and
St Stephen, Tovil

Sunday 13th August
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity



10am Parish Eucharist at St Philips Church

Next Week's Service's

Sunday 20th August
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
10am Parish Eucharist at All Saints

Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading Romans 12 verses 1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in

generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Gospel Matthew 14 verses 22-33.

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God '

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy. should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Special prayers

Matt 5.3 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven'

Daphne Holland, Mary Wheeler, Jane Sadler, Sue Marks, Pamela Hocking,

<u>Vicar: All saints, Maidstone with St.</u> Philip's, and St. Stephen's Tovil

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Sunday Services in August and September
All at 10am unless specified.

- 20th August Parish Eucharist at All Saints
- 27th August Morning Worship at St Stephens (Archbishop Courtenay School)
- 3rd September Parish Eucharist at All Saints and 6:30pm Choral Evensong
- 10th September Morning Worship At St Stephen's (Archbishop Courtenay School) for Education Sunday with Annie Wiles as our speaker who is the CEO of Aquila which is the Academy to which ABC belongs.
- 17th September Parish Eucharist at St Philips with Bishop Peter Maurice
- 24th September Parish Eucharist At All Saint