

## Parish Notices

### **All Saints Remains Closed**

You may have caught the latest announcement from the Government about the potential for churches to reopen soon for private prayer. Unfortunately, we have experienced a masonry fall in the North-West aspect of the All Saints nave. This will need inspection from our architect, risk assessment and authorisation to open before we can open for public and private prayer.

The Parish of All Saints  
with St Philip, Maidstone and  
St Stephen, Tovil  
[www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk](http://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk)

Sunday 19th July 2020  
Sixth Sunday after Trinity



### **Church Buildings still remain Closed**

**Rev Ian Parrish will be recording the Sunday Morning Worship service and it can be viewed via our Facebook page the link is on this notice sheet and on both websites.**

Daily worship is also available from Canterbury Cathedral via the All Saints website - [www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk](http://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk) - click the link on the left hand side of the Welcome page.

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### Giving

During this difficult time when our church buildings are closed, we are still a church; meeting virtually for church services and fellowship, loving our neighbours by offering practical support to the vulnerable, and caring for our communities. The work of our church is reliant on people's generosity, a generosity that is a hallmark of our lived-out faith and a testament to it. We all give to our church in a variety of ways, but with the closure of all the buildings we cannot receive all the gifts that we usually receive, or the income from our events, so we really need your help now. If you are able to give a little more at this time please do or send your weekly *Envelopes* with a cheque to Lionel Marchant (*Treasurer*) 7 The Platt, Sutton Valence, Maidstone, ME17 3BQ.

**With all Best wishes Ian**

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### Notice:

#### **The Churches Remain Closed**

For H&S and legal reasons we have appointed 3 designated persons to inspect our buildings:

**With the exception of DESIGNATED persons - Key holders shall not enter All Saints or St Philips**

#### **Designated persons:**

- All Saints – Robert Philo
- St Phillip – Denise Joy
- St Philip Centre – Bob Macham

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**Archbishop Courtenay School**, our school, is now open again in accordance with DfE guidelines. Please celebrate by listening to their choir singing LOOKING TO THE RAINBOW at: <https://www.archbishopcourtenay.org.uk/looking-for-the-rainbow/>

**Midweek Service** – Please note there will be no midweek service this week.

**Sunday Communion** – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2020. At St Philips Church 10.00am – 11.00am. Please inform the Church wardens if you are attending as there will be limited capacity. Please read the notice below

### **COLLECT**

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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**

#### **Mark 7.24 – 8.10**

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her

daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

In those days when there was again a great crowd without anything to eat, he called his disciples and said to them, 'I have compassion for the crowd, because they have been with me now for three days and have nothing to eat. If I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way—and some of them have come from a great distance.' His disciples replied, 'How can one feed these people with bread here in the desert?' He asked them, 'How many loaves do you have?' They said, 'Seven.' Then he ordered the crowd to sit down on the ground; and he took the seven loaves, and after giving thanks he broke them and gave them to his disciples to distribute; and they distributed them to the crowd. They had also a few small fish; and after blessing them, he ordered that these too should be distributed. They ate and were filled; and they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. Now there were about four thousand people. And he sent them away. And immediately he got into the boat with his disciples and went to the district of Dalmanutha.

### **POST COMMUNION**

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go

forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Special prayers for those in need**

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

Keith Sharp  
Jean Williamson  
Paul Crease  
Vera Alflatt  
Millie Moss  
Audrey Little  
Daphne Holland  
Nigel Gunyon  
Mary Wheeler  
Jane Sadler  
Tricia (Barbara's Sister)

### **Special Prayers of Hope and Compassion**

Clive & Andrea Lever  
Irene & David Johnson  
Rosemary & John Fowler  
Keith Manuell & Family

### **Departed**

Rosemary Richards  
Jeff Fernet-Randall  
Brian Gifford  
Richard Woolley  
Marlene Crease  
Margaret Costen  
Brian Farmer  
Iris Relf  
Joan Lock-wood Jones  
Robert Justice  
Steve Davis

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

## **Parish Notice**

In line with government guidelines and following advice from the House of Bishops and Diocesan Officers we are happy to announce that St Philip's will be open for a celebration of Holy Communion on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 10.00 – 11.00 am. Whilst this is good news there are some important information about which those wishing to attend the service must be aware:-

- **There will be limited capacity, the churchwardens must be advised in advance if you intend to come**
- **The church will be open from 09.45**
- **You must use the at the West End entrance to the church**
- **Face masks are optional**
- **Stewards will guide you throughout the service**
- **There will be no organist and as such no singing**
- **Current social distancing rules apply 2m – keep your distance**
- **Toilets will be open**
- **No refreshments will be served after the service**