

## Notices

**A post has been put on our Facebook page regarding a new website set up for All Saints Church. Please like and share this post along with any others to raise awareness for our fundraising to  
SAVE ALL SAINTS**

**Thank you**

**A JustGiving page will be available to share soon**

## Updates to Services

### All Saints, Mill Street, Maidstone

Saturday 18th December, **All Saints Carol Service has been cancelled.**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December, **Christingle Service has been cancelled.**

### St Philips Church, Maidstone

Sunday 2nd January 10.00am—St Stephens day—Service to Welcome in the New Year

### St Stephen, at Archbishop Courtenay School, Church Road, Tovil

Sunday 9th January 2022, 11am—Themed Service, “They followed a Bright Star”

Just a reminder that if you are shopping online do not forget to use Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile. Every purchase you make helps raise money for the parish!

Thank you to everyone who has raised money so far.

[https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/f.html?C=2JQ2YAJ6Q58G5&K=2LBJ752K7S0NR&M=urn:rtm:msg:202105260804473c5867f3b3b54607be0e42cf90d0p0eu&R=129P4BNN977Y4&T=C&U=https%3A%2F%2Fsmile.amazon.co.uk%2Fch%2F1134146-0%3Fref\\_%3Dpe\\_4117511\\_593892291&H=0AH5ZIKCBAJNJ48FYN2GJVR5VD0A&ref\\_=pe\\_4117511\\_593892291](https://smile.amazon.co.uk/gp/f.html?C=2JQ2YAJ6Q58G5&K=2LBJ752K7S0NR&M=urn:rtm:msg:202105260804473c5867f3b3b54607be0e42cf90d0p0eu&R=129P4BNN977Y4&T=C&U=https%3A%2F%2Fsmile.amazon.co.uk%2Fch%2F1134146-0%3Fref_%3Dpe_4117511_593892291&H=0AH5ZIKCBAJNJ48FYN2GJVR5VD0A&ref_=pe_4117511_593892291)

[http://t.e.easyfundraising.org.uk/r/?id=h3fd083a0,29f37a1a,25a8332c&utm\\_source=adobecampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=referral-2018&utm\\_content=trigger-supp-referee-raised-2018&origin=RTND2&p1=theparishofallsaintswithstphilipmaidstone&p2=5WJHW0](http://t.e.easyfundraising.org.uk/r/?id=h3fd083a0,29f37a1a,25a8332c&utm_source=adobecampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=referral-2018&utm_content=trigger-supp-referee-raised-2018&origin=RTND2&p1=theparishofallsaintswithstphilipmaidstone&p2=5WJHW0)

**Zoom Service kindly offered by St Martins Church -  
Thursday Morning Holy Worship 10.00am  
St Martin's Church Zoom Link for Services  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86607073>**

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

[www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk](http://www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk)



**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**10.00am Joint Eucharist Service at All  
Saints Church**



- **COVID RESTRICTIONS**
- Face coverings Must be worn
- Unmasked singing permitted
- Social distancing to remain but reduced from two metres to one.
- Retain alternate vacancy pews to lessen perceived risk of aerosol contamination.
- Non-contact sharing of the peace encouraged.
- Consideration and courtesy for others space when interacting.
- Mingling outside permitted.

## Next week's Services

### All Saints, Mill Street, Maidstone

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December, 11.30 pm, Midnight Eucharist

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Day,  
10.00 am— Parish Eucharist

### St Philip, Waterloo Street, Maidstone

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Christmas Eve,  
5.00pm Christingle Service  
‡ 11.30 pm, Midnight Eucharist

**No services on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December**



## Collect

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Readings

### Micah 5.2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore, he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.

## Gospel

### Luke 1.39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

## Post Communion

Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through 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'*

Paul Crease, Vera Alflatt,  
Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon, Mary Wheeler,  
Jane Sadler, Ray Stephens, Debbie Proctor,  
Roger Doe, Gemma (Joan Bull's Daughter)

## Special Prayers of Hope and Compassion

### Departed

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*If anyone would like to add anything to the weekly notices, please contact [office.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com](mailto:office.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com)*

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### Vicar: All saints, Maidstone with St. Philip's and St. Stephen's Tovil

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**St Philips Website is currently changing hosting platform so will be inaccessible until it has migrated across.  
Please refer to All Saints Church Website for any additional updates.**

Our Facebook Page:

[Click Here for our Facebook Page](#)

*Merry*  
*Christmas*