

Notices

Winter Warmer Pilot Community Cafe will open on Saturday November 11th for six weeks opening from 10:00am to 2:00pm in All Saints, Flyers, and details to follow and volunteers will be needed so please talk to Elspeth and Robert Philo. Hopefully this will continue to be run after Christmas in the New Year.

From November 1st the Church for the winter months will be open on Saturdays and Sundays between 10am and 4pm

St Philips Health and Wellbeing Singing

Come and join us where we will be singing a wide selection of songs at St Philips Centre.

12noon – 1pm every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month. A donation of £2 per session would be appreciated. All Welcome

Pre Advent Lunch

3 Course Lunch £20 per head at New Church House Restaurant, Romney Marsh. Places are limited. Please sign the board at the back of the church to confirm your booking, Details of travel will be supplied before the day.

Celebrating Life Festival from Friday June 21st to June 30th featuring a Flower Festival with events for schools, concerts and choirs, workshops, literary days, charities, and professional lectures in the fields of education, health, end of life care and dialogue re Christian ministry in a changing society as well as meals, daily prayer, and special Sunday Services. Specific timetabled details will be available by the end of the year.

Wednesday November 1st 2023
PATRONAL FESTIVAL AT ALL SAINTS IN
ST.KATHERINE'S CHAPEL
10:00am Holy Communion with
John Richardson Presiding and Preaching

Future services

Sunday Services in November all at 10am unless specified

- **5th November** – Parish Eucharist at St Philips
- **12th November** –Remembrance Sunday Service at All Saints
- 12noon RAMC
- **19th November** –Parish Eucharist at St Philips
- **26th November** – Christ the King at St Stephens (Archbishop Courtenay School) Followed by a ploughman's lunch.

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

Sunday 22 October 2023
The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity



10am Parish Eucharist at St Philips Church

Next Week's Service's

Sunday 29th October
The Twenty First Sunday after Trinity
10am Parish Eucharist for Bible Sunday
at All Saints Church
3.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church: by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life; 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

1 Thessalonians 1:4-8

For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.

Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Post Communion

God our Father, whose Son, the light unfailing, has come from heaven to deliver the world from the darkness of ignorance: let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding that we may know the way of life, and walk in it without stumbling, 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, Claire & Family*

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

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Book these dates now... Christmas across the Parish In December

- **Sunday 10th 10am Morning Worship with Making your Christingle at St Stephens**

At St Philips

- **Wednesday 13th – 6.30pm Christmas Cheer and Joy!**
- **Sunday 17th 10am Carol s and Readings around the Christmas Events**
- **Sunday 18th from 6pm Carol Singing around the streets ending with soup and rolls.**
- **Sunday 24th Christmas Eve 5pm Community and Church Christingle**
- **Sunday 31st 10am Morning Worship to prepare for the New Year**

At All Saints

- **Saturday 16th – 4.30pm The Carol Service**
- **Sunday 24th – Christmas Eve 3.30pm The Christingle Service**
- **11.30pm - The First Communion of Christmas**
- **Monday 25th – Christmas Day 10am Christmas Family Communion**