

Notices

The office is having difficulty sending group emails at the moment. If you do not receive the weekly notice sheet please email the office and I will send it across to you. Thank you
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Help Required

We need to compile a rota of people able and willing, to assist with cleaning All Saints' Church. Could anyone who feels that they can help please contact Robert (philorob@uk.ibm.com) or 07775813258
Many thanks

A Petition to request a faculty for roof repairs to All Saints Church has been submitted to the Canterbury Diocesan Registrar. The Public Notice in regard to this work is displayed on notice boards inside and outside of All Saints and is also shown on All Saints website at www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk/faculty%20applications.htm

Services for February

06 th	St Philips	Joint Eucharist
13 th	St Stephens at Archbishop Courtenay	Joint Ministry of the Word
20 th	All Saints	Joint Eucharist
27 th	St Philips	Joint Eucharist

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

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

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Sunday 30th January 2022
The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

10.00am All Saints Church
Joint Parish Eucharist

- **COVID RESTRICTIONS**
- Face coverings are no longer mandatory but are recommended in enclosed or crowded places.
- 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 Service

10.00am Sunday 06th February 2022
St Philips Church Maidstone
Joint Parish Eucharist

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading

Malachi 3.1-5

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. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

Gospel

Luke 2. 22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of

a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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

If anyone would like to add anything to the weekly notices, please contact office.allsaintsmaidstone@gmail.com

***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/866070>***