

Intercessions

Please email frauke.parrish@gmail.com or phone 01622 756002 to add/remove names of this list.

Thank you.

Please pray for these and their families

Carol Winter	John Matthews
Julie Clark	John Coates
Brian & Elizabeth Coleman	Jeff Fernett Randell
Joe Daniels	Jane Sadler
Jeff & Beryl Foxley	Sister Shirley CSJD
Dawn Gamble	Ray & Margaret Stephens
Michael Greenstreet	Winnie Thompson
Daphne Holland	Jane Wearne
Brenda Hope	Vera Alflat
Cheryl Neller	Daphne Lee
Kelvin Knapp and Family	
David Williams	

The departed and all who mourn their passing

Jim Winter

Notices

January Community Magazine. Please let Mollie know if you have any events you would like to be included in the Parish Diary before 15th December. Please send to mneaves@btinternet.com

A Christmas Hamper is being raffled in All Saints and is on display at the back of church. The draw date is 20th Dec with delivery before Christmas. Profits are for the Restoration Fund.

A 'Silent Auction' is being held for a water colour painting at All Saints, painted in 1936 by AW Dowle and is on display at the back of church with envelopes containing the bids. Please pass these to Mary Shaw in aid of the restoration Fund.

Carols and Mince Pies Evening 15th December 7pm at St Philip's. Come and join in ☺

Carol Singing in the Community of Tovil. Meet at main gates of ABC School this Friday 18th Dec at 5pm

Carol Service at St Philip's 20th Dec 11.00am. Traditional Refreshments required please. Speak to Barbara for more info please.

Nine Lessons and Carols 19th Dec 4.30pm – Mince Pies and Sausage Rolls needed. Please sign the list at back of All Saints Church if you can help.

Christingles for All Saints. We need to make 200 and these will be prepared Tuesday 22nd from 2pm. Please see Mary Shaw if you can help.

Thank you – St Philip's Fayre raised £736! Thank you to all those involved for your help and commitment ☺

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Our Facebook Page: "All Saints with St Philip and St Stephen Maidstone"

THE PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS with ST PHILIP, MAIDSTONE

and ST STEPHEN, TOVIL

www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk

Sunday 13th December
3rd Sunday of Advent

At All Saints

Readings for the 8.00am Eucharist begin on page 51 in the BCP and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30am Choral Eucharist:

Service: Stanford in C

NEH 11 vv 1,4 & 5 - O come, O come, Emmanuel

NEH 10 - Long ago, prophets knew

NEH 33 - Of the Father's heart begotten

Introit: Plainchant O Oriens/O Rex gentium

Communion Motets:

How lovely are the messengers - Mendelssohn

Comfort, comfort ye

Psalm after Dismissal - Psalm 145 vv 1-8

11.00am Family Eucharist at St Philip's

St Philip's hymns are announced and displayed.

Please join us for refreshments
after 9.30 and 11.00 service

What's on this Week

Tuesday	15 December 2015
10.00am - noon	Coffee & Chat at St Philip's
7.00pm	Carols and Mince Pies Evening at St Philip's
Wednesday	16 December 2015
9.30am - 11.30am	South Borough Primary School, Christingle at All Saints
7.30pm - 9.00pm	MGS Carol Service, All Saints
Thursday	17 December 2015
12.30pm	Eucharist said at All Saints
7.30 - 9.00pm	Valley Park School Carols, All Saints
Friday	18 December 2015
11.30 - 2.00pm	Valley Park School Carols
5.00pm	Carol Singing in the Community, St Stephen
	Meet at the main gates of ABC school, Tovil
Saturday	19 December 2015
4.30pm	Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight, All Saints followed by Mulled Wine and Refreshments
Sunday	20 December 2015
	4th Advent Sunday
	8.00 Eucharist said at All Saints Rev'd Ian
	9.30 Parish Eucharist at All Saints Rev'd Ian
	11.00 Carol Service at St Philip's Rev'd Clinton and Nancy
	3.00pm Maidstone Wind Symphony, The Snowman at All Saints

Readings for main Eucharist next week:

Micah 5.2-5a, Hebrews 10.5-10, Luke 1.39-45

CW Eucharistic Readings & Prayers today

COLLECT

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way
of your Son:
give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

READING Zephaniah 3.14-end

A Song of Joy

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all
your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!
The Lord has taken away the judgements against
you, he has turned away your enemies.
The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow
weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a
warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over
you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from
you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I
will deal with all your oppressors at that time.
And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth. At that time I will
bring you home, at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised among
all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your
fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

READING Philippians 4.4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say,
Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to
everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about
anything, but in everything by prayer and
supplication with thanksgiving let your requests
be made known to God. And the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding, will guard
your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU ☺

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God
Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 3.7-18

John said to the crowds that came out to be
baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who
warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear
fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say
to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our
ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these
stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now
the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree
therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut
down and thrown into the fire.' And the crowds
asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he
said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share
with anyone who has none; and whoever has
food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came
to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher,
what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no
more than the amount prescribed for you.'
Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should
we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money
from anyone by threats or false accusation, and
be satisfied with your wages.' As the people
were filled with expectation, and all were
questioning in their hearts concerning John,
whether he might be the Messiah, John answered
all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water;
but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I
am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his
threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his
granary; but the chaff he will burn with
unquenchable fire.' So, with many other
exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the
people

POST COMMUNION

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly
gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.