Notices

It is with great sadness that we announce that our dear friend Sylvia Hyland passed away on Sunday 5th February.
She will be greatly missed by many; our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this sad time.

In your hands, O Lord we humbly entrust our dear friend to your care. In this life you embraced her with your tender love, bid her eternal rest.

Forthcoming Services

(Please note these maybe subject to change)

February Services

Ash Wednesday, Wednesday February 22nd, 2023, at All Saints....10:00am Holy Communion (said service) led by John Richardson.

26th - 10.00am All Saints - Parish Eucharist

Sunday Services in March are:

5th. 10:00 St. Philip's Parish Eucharist 3:30 All Saints Choral Evensong

12th 10:00 All Saints Parish Eucharist

19th. 10:00 St. Stephen's, The Church in the School Mothering Sunday Special Service

26th. 10:00 All Saints Passion Sunday Eucharist

Study Series

Starting on Tuesday 28th February 2023
Study Series at St Philips
10.00 for 10.30am start, Wisdom for Every
day.
6.30pm for 7pm start – Living Life on the

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Willington Players - The 39 Steps

Diane Daniels will be booking tickets, for any evening that suits you. A percentage of the ticket money comes back to Friends of St Philips for their fundraising for the toilets for the disabled. £17 per ticket

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



Sunday 12th February 2023 The Second Sunday before Lent

Parish Eucharist

10.00am – Parish Eucharist at All Saints Church

Next Week's Service

Sunday 19th February
The Sunday next before Lent

10am Morning Worship at St Stephens -Archbishop Courtenay School

(A simple Ploughman's Lunch after the service)

Collect

Almighty God,

you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

Reading Psalm 8

To the leader: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David.

O Lord, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,

to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have established:

what are human beings that you are mindful of them,

mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God.

and crowned them with glory and honour. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Gospel

Matthew 6 verses 25-34

'Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field. how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-you of little faith? Therefore, do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed, your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

Post Communion

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Special prayers

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

Paul Crease, Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon,
Mary Wheeler, Jane Sadler, Ray Stephens,
Debbie Proctor, Roger Doe, Sue Marks,
Pamela Hocking, Allan Seeley, Michael Costen
David Gilles, Roger Mowbray and family.
Alison, David Race

Departed

Sylvia Hyland Kelly Dorothy Jeffrey Lewis Bowles Paul Westwood

Our thoughts are with their family and friends.

<u>Vicar: All saints, Maidstone with St.</u> <u>Philip's, and St. Stephen's Tovil</u>

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