

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 Fernet 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

Notices

Lite Bite – Next on Wednesday 6th January at St Philip's Church Centre. Please note the donation has been increased to £2.50.

Get rid of the post Christmas blues! Join us at St Philip's on Friday 8th January 2016 at 7.00 for 7.30pm for a fish and chip supper £6.00 per person. Please book with Barbara Cook on 671782 asap. Thank you Diane ☺

Cafe Church is starting at St Stephen's! Come and join us on Sunday 17th January at 11.00 ☺

A Celebration of Twelfth Night Seasonal music for choir and audience to close the Christmas Season. January 6th at 7.30 followed by mulled Wine and Mince Pies at United Reformed Church, Week Street.

Save the date! Willington Players next performance will be a farce entitled "Boeing Boeing" by Marc Camoletti on Wednesday 13 April at 7.30 at the Hazlitt Theatre, tickets £12.00 half of which goes to the Friends of St Philip's. Tickets will be available from Diane Daniels on 674494.

Deanery Prayer for January Our focus for prayer this month is the parish of St Faith. Please see notice boards for more details.

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

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ALL SAINTS with ST PHILIP, MAIDSTONE

and ST STEPHEN, TOVIL

www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk

Sunday 3rd January 2016

The Epiphany

At All Saints

Readings for the 8.00am Eucharist begin on page 65 in the BCP and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30am Parish Eucharist:

Please see service booklet for details

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philip's

11.00am Carol Service and Readings St Stephen's

Please note there is no Choral Evensong!

Please join us for refreshments after the 9.30 and 11.00 service

What's on this Week

Tuesday

5 January 2016

10.00am - noon

Coffee & Chat at St Philip's

7.00pm

St Philip's Church and Centre Meeting

Wednesday

6 January 2016

1pm – 2.30pm

Lite Bite at St Philip's

Thursday

7 January 2016

12.30pm

Eucharist said at All Saints

Friday

8 January 2016

2.00pm

KCOA meeting in the Vestry

7.00/7.30pm

Fish and Chip Supper at St Philip's

Saturday

9 January 2016

10.00am

Restoration Meeting in Vestry at All Saints

Sunday

10 January 2016

8.00am BCP Eucharist said at All Saints
Rev'd Ian

9.30 Choral Eucharist at All Saints
Rev'd Clinton

11.00 Family Eucharist at St Philip's
Rev'd Ian and Denise Joy

Readings for the main Eucharist next week:

Isaiah 43.1-7 Acts 8.14-17, Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET AWAY WITH YOU ☺

COLLECT

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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 Matthew 2.1-12

The Visit of the Wise Men

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men* from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising* and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah* was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising,* until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped,* they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Paul's Ministry to the Gentiles

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for* Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery* was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see* what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in* God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

POST COMMUNION

Lord God,
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have been drawn
by your light discern the glory of your presence
in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ
our Lord.