

Parish Notices

Robin Barnes

It is with great sadness that the death of Robin Barnes is announced. Robin, age 50, was the son of the late Revd. Brian Barnes and Una Barnes.

Robin died as a result of Covid 19 in the last week of January. Along with his twin brother, Ian, Robin was a faithful chorister at All Saints Church over many years. Please remember him in your prayers, along with his family and many friends.

Rest in peace, Robin.

As our services have currently been suspended, please find below the https links to join the Zoom services kindly offered by St Martin's. Just click on the https links below to join either the Sunday or Thursday morning services. This is a direct link to the zoom service, a dialog box will pop up - click on open if not click the Launch Meeting button on the same screen.

Sunday Morning Holy Communion 10.00am - St Martins Church Zoom Link for Services
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/856888392>

Thursday Morning Holy Worship 10.00am St Martins Church Zoom Link for Services
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/866070731>

The draft 2020 accounts for the Parochial Church Council can now be found by clicking on this link
www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk/annual%20parochial%20church%20meetings.htm

The draft accounts and supporting documents are now on their way to our Independent Examiner for presentation at the APCM due in April 2021.

PCC meeting – with the Archdeacon of Maidstone Via zoom, 11th February at 6.30pm

All Saints Restoration trust meeting - Via zoom, 15th February at 10.00am

**The Parish of All Saints
With St Philip, Maidstone and
St Stephen, Tovil**
www.maidstoneallsaints.co.uk

**Sunday 07th February
Second Sunday before Lent**

No Parish Eucharist



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

Proverbs.8.1, 22-31

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?
The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

Gospel

Mark 1.29-39

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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.

Reflection is attached from +Peter

Additional Notices



Live Worship is streamed from Canterbury Cathedral Please click [here](#) to join the service.

Worship Times

Morning Prayer – 10am, Evening Prayer – 5.30pm
Sunday Eucharist – 12noon, Sunday Compline – 8pm

Easy Fundraising –

Help us get 2021 off to a great start for The Parish of All Saints with St Philip, Maidstone by signing up to support us for FREE on #easyfundraising. You can raise donations whenever you shop online with over 4,300 retailers including John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, ASOS, M&S and more. This will make a BIG difference to us during this difficult time. Sign up today:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/the-parish-of-all-saints-with-st-philip-maidstone/?referral-campaign=c2s&utm_source=refsharebox

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, Audrey Little,
Daphne Holland, Nigel Gunyon, Mary Wheeler,
Jane Sadler, Tricia (Barbara's Sister) David Johnson,
Ray Stephens,

Special Prayers of Hope and Compassion

Rosemary & John Fowler, Keith Manuell & Family

Departed

Robin Barnes
Jean Williamson

Our thoughts are with the families of
Robin Barnes and Jean Williamson

**Please see separate email regarding the funeral
details for Jean Williamson.**

**Please pray for Clive Lever who needs our support
and prayers at this difficult time**

***If anyone would like to add anything to the
weekly notices please speak to***
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A reflection on Mark 1:29-39

It would be hard to offer a reflection this week without the mention of Captain Tom. As his daughter remarked he could never have imagined that the last year of his life could be quite so remarkable. As the Archbishop of Canterbury put it, 'where he walked, a nation followed', and it sounds as though his efforts for the NHS charities were repaid several times over in the quality of care he received as his life came to a close.

This week's gospel is centred on the healing ministry of Jesus. It begins with a very personal encounter as he offers his healing touch to Peter's mother in law, but soon the whole town descends on him bringing their illness and disease to him for his attention. This is no coincidence for the writer of Mark's gospel because for him, Jesus' healing ministry is not just about the individual but about the whole community. Mark wants us to understand that God's Kingdom can only come when the dis-ease of poverty, injustice and oppression which afflicted the people of Palestine in those days are also healed.

I don't think we will gain anything from the example of Captain Tom if we create a statue in his memory. Rather, we need to emulate his example of 'living for the common good.' He reminded us that this pandemic touches us not just as individuals but as a nation, indeed as a global community because, as the scientists are quick to tell us, no one is safe until all are safe.

So, as we reflect on the healing ministry of Jesus today, we pray not just for the healing of each and everyone who is suffering, but also for the healing of the nations and for the eradication of all that keeps people from living life to the full.

God of all people, you sent your Son to bring healing and wholeness to our world. May his light bring hope to the sick in body and mind; to the broken, the persecuted, the dispossessed and the excluded, that we might feel the Kingdom drawing near and play our part in its fulfilment. Amen

+Peter

Dear friends and family,

Here are the details for watching Jean's funeral online. You can check the log in ahead of time.

I'll also attach the service sheet pdf. Do feel free to forward all these details to anyone who might want to join us remotely. I'll share the video tribute which forms part of the service after the event.

With love,

Jane/Mum

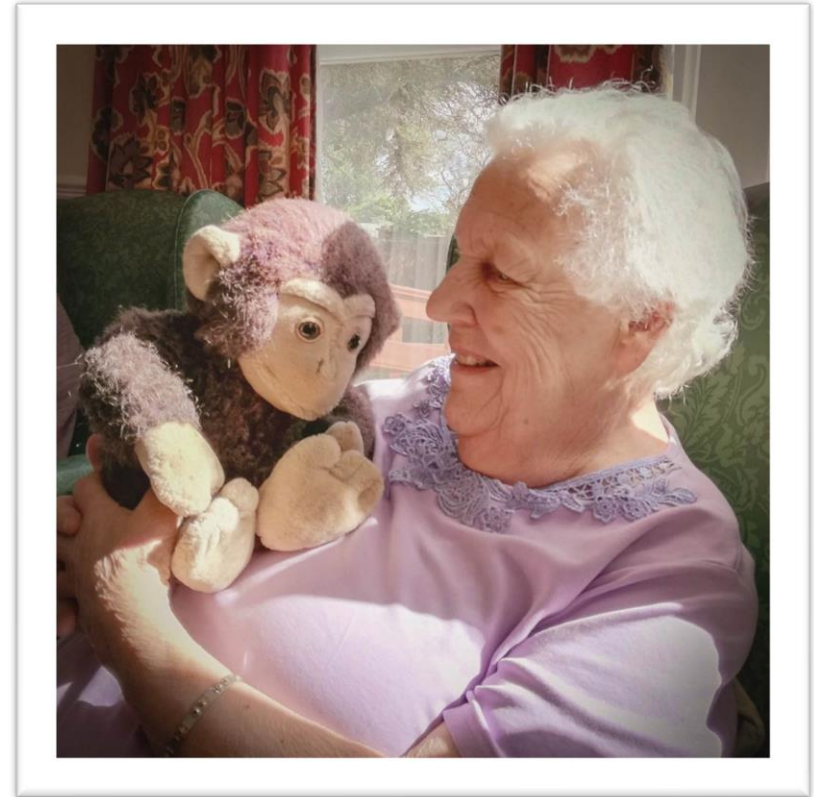
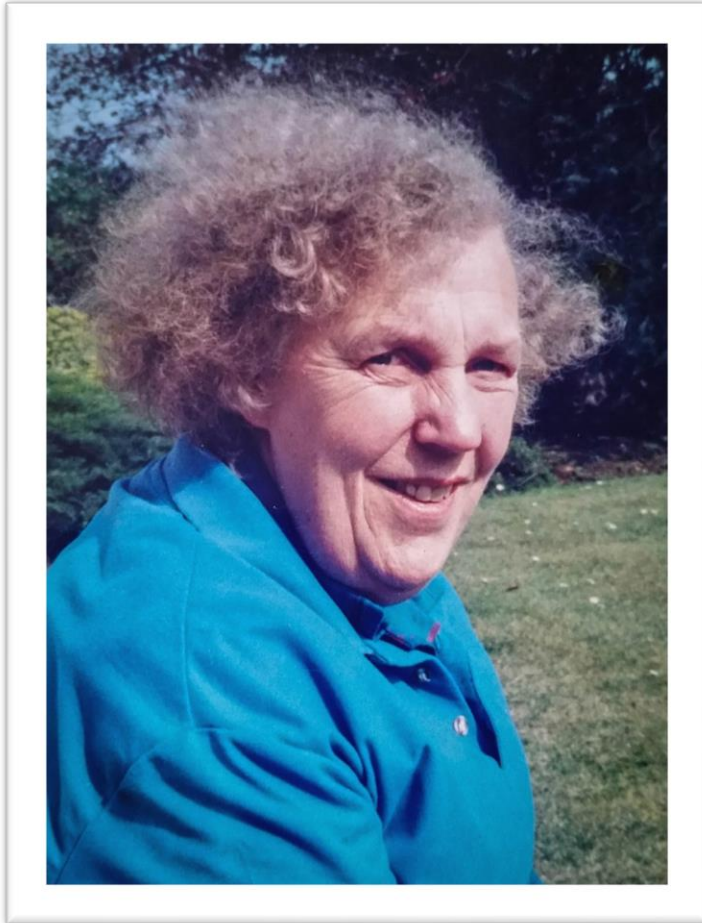
**Service order for
Mary Jean Williamson**

Service Date	17-Feb-21 at 2:00
Service Chapel	Chapel - Vinters Park
Website	https://www.obitus.com/
Username	Fiha0104
Password	502114
Webcast:	Live Webcast & Watch Again

Please send this username and password exactly as above to family and friends. You can login to our website at any time to view a test connection (and we strongly recommend you do this) but you'll only be able to view the Live Webcast approx. 5 mins before the service start time. Please be aware this is a public building and the timing of the Live webcast is semi-automated to allow for services running early or late – please use your discretion if you can see activities not applicable to the service you are here to watch. Once the service has finished, it will take us up to 3 working days to get the 28-day Watch Again onto the website.

Please be aware our webcasting system is a basic single-camera at the back of the chapel and reliant on a lot of things outside of our control (e.g. a user's internet speed). Unfortunately, we cannot accept liability if this service is unavailable.

In loving memory of



Mary Jean Williamson

16th May 1934 – 6th January 2021

Wednesday 17th February 2021 at 2.00 pm

Vinters Park Crematorium and online

<https://www.obitus.com/> user name: Fiha0104 Password: 502114

In darkness we doubt
that there will ever be
light, but in the light we
soon forget how much
darkness there was-

Reproduced from one of Jean's many notebooks

Funeral service conducted by The Reverend Clinton Davis

Entry music and first hymn

Immortal Invisible, God only Wise



Sentences, Introduction and Opening Prayers



Psalm 121 'I will lift up mine eyes'

Arrangement by Walford Davies

Recorded by the choir of King's College Cambridge



Revelation 22 verses 1-5 NRSV

Read by Jane Lowth

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Address and Prayers

Rev Clinton Davis

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.

Amen.

Commendation and Committal

Closing Prayer and Blessing



Video tribute to Jean including her favourite hymn

I heard the voice of Jesus say

Original lyric video by Alexander McConnell,
vocal by Wendy Ritchie from the album Celtic Source volume two.