

Notices

Archbishop Courtenay School

As the summer term comes to a close in a few weeks' time year 6 students are preparing for their move to secondary schools with early visits and time spent on how to make the transition. Each person will be given a book to help them called It's your move produced by Scripture Union. This gives each student practical guidance and tips on how to cope with this transition in their lives giving them a good and secure foundation for the coming years.

A Concert for a Summer's Evening with the Written Symphony Orchestra

A wonderful miscellany of Orchestral and Choral pieces to enjoy
19.30 on Saturday July 1st at All Saints Church

Tickets £10 Adults, U19's FREE
Available from

mcuconcertmanager@gmail.com, MCU choir members and on the door.

All Seats unreserved.

More details at
www.maidstonechoralunion.co.uk

A Healing House of Prayer

Early Summer Reflections at St Philips Church on Tuesday Mornings at 10am for 10.30am from April – June 2023

- June 27th in Spare Rooms!!
Followed by a simple Lunch

We look forward to seeing you.
Further details from
John Richardson

Save the Date

Saturday 2nd September 2023
Revd John & Sue would like to invite you to an open house at The Rectory, Dymchurch TN290LD
From 10.30am – 5pm
More details will follow.

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

Sunday 25th June 2023
The Third Sunday after Trinity

10am Parish Eucharist
at St Philips Church



Next Week's Service's

Sunday 02nd July
10am Parish Eucharist at All Saints
6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Collect

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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

Romans Chapter 6 verses 1-11

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with

him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel

Matthew Chapter 10 verses 24-39

'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

Post Communion

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look

upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Services in July

All at 10am unless specified.

- 2nd July Parish Eucharist at All Saints
- 6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints
- 9th July Parish Eucharist at St Philips
- 16th July Morning Worship at St Stephens
- 23rd July Parish Eucharist at All Saints
- 30th July Parish Eucharist at St Philips

Please note these may be subject to change.

Special prayers

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

*Daphne Holland, Mary Wheeler, Jane Sadler,
Sue Marks, Pamela Hocking,*

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

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**Please note Revd John will be on Leave
on Wednesdays of each week**

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