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Intercessions

Please pray for these and their families

John & Diana Caley	Jean Williamson
Cyril & Sheila Findlay	Revd Kes Grant
Ken & Stella Bridges	Vera Alflatt
Clive & Andrea Lever	Millie Moss
Derek & Sue Parker	Audrey Little
Albert Daniels	John Bull
Ray Stephens & Family	Trish Weston
Daphne Holland	Dawn Gamble
Johnjoe Flood	
Alan Gupwell	

Notices

Organ Voluntaries at All Saints – There has been a request that the name of the concluding organ voluntary and the composer is shown on the weekly notices. Whilst the music is being played please respect the wishes of those who wish to listen,

Craft & Coffee Morning – At All Saints in aid of the Church Restoration Fund. Every 2nd Saturday of the month during the Summer. Sessions start May 12th 10am-1pm. "All Welcome."

Wanted Craft Work – Have you any craft work that you can donate to be sold at the Craft & Coffee Mornings in aid of the Restoration Fund? If so please see Sue Marks or Tina Town. Many Thanks.

All Saints Pastoral Care – There is a list by the coffee area with names and explains the purpose of this list. Contact Mary Shaw should you like your name to be added or removed. Thank you.

Electoral Roll – Could members of the congregation please check that their names are on the Electoral roll displayed in the church. Many Thanks

St Philips Mayfair-12th May 2018 12noon - 3pm. We need donations of cakes, Tombola/Raffle Prizes, Books & Good quality Bric a Brac If you could spare some time to help on Friday from 7pm and or Saturday please speak to Janice 01622 762468.Many Thanks.

Save the Date – Parish Day out to Margate Wednesday 25th July! More details to follow from Frauke nearer the time.

Deanery Prayer for April - Please see *Community* and the notice boards for further 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

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29th April 2018

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

At All Saints

Readings at the 8.00am Said Eucharist begin on page 141 and the service starts on page 237.

Music for the 9.30am Parish Eucharist

Service: Addington (Shepherd)

NEH 345 Christ is the King, O friends rejoice!
NEH 374 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
NEH 310 We hail thy presence glorious,
NEH 134 The head that once was crowned with
thorns

Communion Motets:

The Last Supper – Roger Jones

If ye Love me – Tallis

Psalm after the Dismissal: Psalm 24

Organ Voluntary Fanfare – Jacques-Nicolas
Lemmens

10.00am Combined Eucharist at All Saints with Vestry and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Please join us for refreshments after the 9.30am & 11.00am Service

What's on this Week

Tuesday **1st May**

10.00am-12noon Coffee & Chat at St Philips

Wednesday **2nd May**

10.00am-12noon St Philips Toddlers at St Philips

1.00pm – 2.30pm Lite Bite Lunch at St Philips

Thursday **3rd May**

12.00noon Said Eucharist at All Saints

Sunday **6th May**

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8.00am BCP Said Eucharist at All Saints

9.30am Parish Eucharist with Baptism at All Saints

11.00am Parish Eucharist at St Philips

6.30pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Readings for the main Eucharist next week

Acts 10.44-end 1 John 5.1-6 John 15.9-17

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET
AWAY WITH YOU**

CW Eucharistic Readings & Prayers today

COLLECT

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Reading Acts 8.26-end

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reading 1 John 4.7-end

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that

he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Gospel John 15.1-8

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Gospel Acclamation (All Saints Only)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord, and remember I am with you always to the end of the age. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POST COMMUNION

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.