

St Paul with All Saints Church seeks to encourage all people to know Jesus Christ by growing in a personal relationship with him, with one another and with the community.



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WEEKLY NEWS – SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2018



The Sunday next before Lent

This provision is not used on or after Ash Wednesday.

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful
lives: set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your
goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Amen.



**This week, please include
in your daily prayers:**

Betty Hart, Linda Warren, and each that are in need of God's healing and loving presence at this time. In our local community, we remember the recently bereaved family and friends of Edith Campbell, Margaret Pinnock and Dave Piper. We also pray for Andrew Ford following the death of his brother Ian.

If you know of anyone who needs prayer, please let Andrea know.

Services at All Saints

This Sunday, we continue our sermon series looking at the church's Vision Statement

Sunday 11th February

10.30am Holy Communion

Isaiah 61: 1-4

Matthew 5: 13-16

*Theme: Growing in our relationship
with the community*

Monday 12th February

8.45am Morning Prayer

Psalm 30 & Genesis 37:1-11

Wednesday 14th February ASH WEDNESDAY

7.30pm Chatham Cluster Service

Thursday 15th February

9.45am Holy Communion

Deuteronomy 30: 15 – end & Luke 9: 22 – 25

Sunday 18th February

9am Holy Communion

1 Timothy 2: 1-7 & Matthew 6: 5-15

Theme: JustOne: Praying

10.30 Morning Service

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Parish Administrator

Verity Betts' normal working hours are 9am-1pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. **HOWEVER this coming week she will be working Tues 13th & Thurs 15th 9am – 3pm**

Outreach - Ash Wednesday with St John Church

Carol from St John has updated us with the following: Meeting together at Chatham station from 7-7.30am, offering prayers to take away, a prayer station where people can leave prayers, and ashing. From 6-6.30pm we will be at the bus station, offering chocolates and prayers to take home. In addition to this we will be offering ashing to shoppers and a "Godometer" from 1pm in the High Street.

All welcome to join us. Please note change of times.

Electoral Roll

If you would like to be on the Electoral Roll in time to be able to vote at the APCM, you need to apply and give your form to Carol Chilman in time for the PCC meeting on March 13th. The Roll will then be closed for applications until after the APCM.

Creche at 10.30am Sunday service

A reminder that we have a crèche facility in the Church lounge during the 10.30am Sunday service. The crèche is not staffed, so children must always be supervised at all times by their parent / carer. Thank you.

JustOne, Priestfield Stadium

On Saturday, June 9th the evangelist, J. John, will be speaking at Priestfield Stadium, Gillingham. This will be a wonderful opportunity to take along *just one* friend (or many more!) to hear the Good News presented in a very engaging way. The event will take place from 3pm-5pm. Do put this in your diary and be thinking about who you could invite.



Engagement

We would like to offer many CONGRATULATIONS to Jayne and Olu on their Engagement.

Communion wafers

Wafers are available for all at communion. Should people need gluten free ones, they must say when they come up.

Magpie Community Centre

If anybody or group in the Church is planning an event which may involve the use of the Magpie Community Centre, it is essential that enquiries are made of the Centre Office FIRST as to dates, the type of the event and related matters such as opening, caretaking etc

Cathedral Matters The 70,273

Displayed in the Cathedral till 12th March are crosses representing 13,817 lives of the 70,273 men women and children killed by the Third Reich between 1940 and 1941 because they were physically or mentally ill. All it needed was for two doctors to mark red crosses on a person's file; these killings preceded the holocaust. The project was started to remember all those people killed and the crosses displayed in the Cathedral have been stitched by groups and individuals in the south east; some of the stitching was by pupils from Victory Academy. Please visit the Cathedral and see the displays and learn more about this Project. As Cathedral Chaplain I had a number of discussions with visitors and offered up prayers with them last Friday, which you may wish to do. There is a leaflet on the side notice board.

Family Fun Day – Saturday 17th February

Between 10.30 and 14.00 free of charge there will be activities including collage, brass rubbing and flag decorating and much more for children and their adults. It is free and there is no need to book. Please see leaflet on the side notice board. The cafe in the crypt will be open offering drinks and snacks.

Brian Jones

Deanery Synod Open meeting

The next meeting of the Deanery Synod is open to everyone, and will have a focus on the deanery's ministry among children and young people, including a "market place" showing what different churches are doing. The meeting is at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 27th February at Christ Church, Luton.

Lunch Club

We meet this month again on Wednesday 21st February. Then after on 7th & 21st March.

Ash Wednesday

There will be a Holy Communion service at All Saints on February 14th, at 7.30pm. This will include the opportunity for the imposition of ashes. The service is open to everyone in the Chatham Cluster.

“ Called Together”

Following the launch of the new Diocesan vision “Called Together”, last Autumn, there is an opportunity to hear more on Saturday, 10th March at St John’s Centre, Meopham. Between 10am and 1pm there will be the chance to hear about what parishes and people in our Archdeaconry are already doing to respond to the challenge to “Grow Disciples, Enrich our Communities and Resource our Mission and Ministry”. Please book online by 27th February at tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk

Running for Medway Hospital

Back in November, Revd Alan le Grys kindly came and took our mid-week Communion Service, despite the fact that his son, Peter, had just died of cancer. Alan will be running the Reading Half –Marathon on March 18th to raise funds for the cancer care unit on Lawrence and Galton wards at Medway Hospital, to help convert a bathroom into a room for relatives to stay overnight. If you would like to support Alan, please donate via his JustGiving page at: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alan-le-grys3



The Magpie Singers

Singing for Health and Wellbeing.

The Magpie Singers started life in October 2014 as a project to look at the benefits of singing together. It was found to be particularly helpful for improving breathing, posture, mental health and wellbeing, mood and confidence as well as helping combat loneliness.

A welcoming group of all ages 18+ who meet every Thursday at 12 Noon in the Church Hall. Pop along or call Keith for more information on 07990 537108. Everyone welcome.

Lent Course

This year’s Chatham Cluster Lent Course will take place at All Saints on Wednesday evenings, at 7.30pm (7.15pm for teas & coffee) starting on February 21st and at Emmaus church on Tuesday mornings at 10am. You are welcome to go to either session. We shall be using the Church Army’s “Faith Pictures” course, which is designed to help Christians talk naturally to friends, neighbours and colleagues about what they believe. It will be particularly helpful as we engage with the JustOne event in June. The course materials are free, but to help us have an idea of how many people are coming, please can you sign the list at the back of church, or let Andrea know.

Lent - Sponsor a Year 6 Bible



Every year, Year 6 pupils at our Church of England Primary school, All Saints, are presented with a Bible as a leaving gift as they move to Secondary School. The PCC is very pleased to be renewing the church’s commitment to purchase the bibles, and have committed to covering the cost. However, this is a wonderful opportunity for members of the church to get involved and play a part in enabling each pupil to have their own bible to read and learn from. As part of our observance of Lent, would you like to help sponsor one of those bibles, on behalf of the church? Do be thinking about whether this is something you’d like to do. The Bibles are £12 each, but donations however small or large are welcome. We shall be giving more details in the next couple of weeks.

Sam's Place After School Club

In need of after school care for your child?

We have an Ofsted Registered After School Club that picks up children from 6 local schools daily and provides a snack and play opportunities. Cost is £9.90 for care up to 6.00pm on Tuesday and Thursday and 6.15pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Contact the office on 01634 845419.

Knitting Group

Every Thursday in the Café from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Come and join in – bring your knitting or if you want to find out how to knit just come along.

Depression and Anxiety Support Group

Do you suffer from Depression and Anxiety? Feeling Isolated and Alone?

The All Saints Depression & Anxiety Group is here to help and support you.

The group meets fortnightly at the Magpie Centre and offers a range of activities and support for people coping with Depression and Anxiety.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, 20th February at 10.00am.

Walking Group

The walking Group meets on the second Saturday of each month.

The next walk will take place on Saturday, 10th March beginning at 11.00am.

For further details contact the office on 01634 845419 or pop in to the Centre and pick up a copy of the 2018 Programme.

General Craft Club

Meets on the last Saturday of the month from 3.00pm to 5.00pm at The Magpie Centre.

Bring your own craft. Children welcome.

Come and have a chat as you work.

Magpie Centre Cafe

Open from Monday to Friday between 9.30am and 3.00pm.

Look forward to seeing you there. Coffee/Tea £1.00 per cup. Come and enjoy a chat over a cuppa or order some food from the menu.

Coffee Morning

Every Monday from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Café. Come and join us!

Exercise Class

Exercise Class on Mondays from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at a cost of £4.00 per session.

Ukulele Classes

A Ukulele class is held every Tuesday from 1.00pm to 2.00pm. If you are interested please contact the office on 01634 845419 or turn up on the day.

Pay It Forward – A Gift of Love

Would you like to make a donation to 'Pay It Forward – A Gift of Love'?

Your generosity could provide someone in need with breakfast or lunch. Please either call in at the Centre to make your donation or place an envelope containing your gift through the letterbox. Envelopes should be clearly marked 'Pay It Forward'. Thank you in advance for your support. Tammy, Café Manager.

'Have A Go' Craft Sessions

Do you enjoy art and craft?

Why not join our informal 'Have A Go' sessions? Our next session **MAKING SPRING WREATHS** is on Friday 23rd February from 9.30am to 11.30am in the Church hall. £1.50 per session.

No experience necessary.

Book a place by calling the office on 01634 845419.

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