

Church Events



**FREE Film Afternoon, Saturday 2nd February,
3pm in church**

Bring a chair/bean bag, or use one of ours!
Refreshments available

Sunday Lunch Club

Our next lunch will be held on Sunday 10th February at 12.30pm. If you normally eat alone and would like to join us for a 2 course lunch for £5 please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or give me a call.

Chris 670240



**Unwanted Christmas Present Sale, 17th Feb
after Oasis Communion, in church**

Please donate any unwanted presents for our sale.
Leave them in the box in the porch or give to Sarah Lavender.

**St Nicholas Church Social Committee
Friday 1st March, 7pm in Church**

Tickets £5 each or £15 family
from Sarah or the office
Bring your own drink and snacks



And in the halls....



Friday 1st February, Poplar Pre-School 'Bingo Night'

£6 entrance, includes your bingo ticket. Booking is required,
please email preschool@poplarpreschool.co.uk.

New Allington Players present 'For Better or for Worse'

Saturday 16th February at 7.30pm in St Nicholas Church Main Hall
Tickets £8 to include light refreshment from Anne on 764063



Wit & Wisdom, Saturday 23rd February, 7.30pm

In aid of The Children's Society, Tickets £5 call 01622 204569



Millennium Green Quiz, 2nd March, 7.30pm

Bring your own drinks, £5 per ticket on 756660

And elsewhere....

**Healing Through Thanksgiving, Saturday 9th February
St Martin's Church, ME15 7LP**



St Nicholas' Church

Sunday 27th January 2019

4th of Epiphany

9.30am Oasis
11.00am Holy Communion
3.00pm Baptism Celebration Service

and the week ahead

Monday 28th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 29th January

3.20pm Palace Wood Explorers
7.30pm Bible Project

Wednesday 30th January

8.30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Bible Project
3.15pm Allington Explorers
7.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 31st January

9.00am Prayer Space

Saturday 2nd February

3.00pm FREE Film in Church

Sunday 3rd February - 5th before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Morning Worship
5.00pm Oasis in the Afternoon
6.00pm JAHFA



January Prayers

In the first two chapters of the book of Revelation, to each of the seven churches, the word of the Lord is: 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.' We pray that as this new year goes forward, we will hear what God is saying to us. God had particular things to commend each church for and things to rebuke each church for. May we be aware of God's voice leading, guiding or admonishing us. We pray that we would have the grace to respond positively and to grow in spirit and wisdom during this year.

We ask that we may be the change God has called us to be in our world. We each have a part to play here in Allington.

We give thanks for all those working to keep the Winter Shelter functioning, we pray that their actions and words will show the love of Jesus to all who pass through. May the Lord watch over them throughout their sessions.

Let's ask the Lord to watch over those who are facing upheaval in family situations, ill health, financial difficulty, problems which seem to large to handle.

Let us remember all the blessings which we individually, as a church, as a community have received over the last year and thank the Lord for His goodness toward us. May we never take for granted the good things we have, the safety of our homes, friends, the freedom to worship, our beautiful country.

We pray for God's peace to envelop us throughout the year in good times and in difficult times. We lift up to the Lord all those who are living under persecution, we pray that their leaders might come to know Jesus and repent of their actions, that peace will return to those countries existing in turmoil. Maybe we could each pick just one place to pray for over this month?

As the date for Brexit draws close we ask the Lord to be gracious toward us, that the right decisions are made. We especially pray for all those politicians who put Jesus at the centre of their lives. Please give them wisdom and make their voices heard.

Please continue to pray for each other! Amen

Deanery Confirmation Service

This will take place on Tuesday 19th March, 7pm, at St Martin's Church, Shepway. Confirmation is a special service in which a person confirms the promises made in baptism. If baptised as a child such promises would have been made on your behalf by parents and Godparents - at a confirmation service you make them for yourself. This is usually, but not always, the point at which you will receive communion for the first time.

If you have not been confirmed, and wish to investigate the possibility, then please contact Rev Chris or Rev Barry to talk this through.



Pray for the sick and anxious

Kirsty, Alfie, Connie Davies, Hazel Neseiyif, Kirsty, Kay Whittle, Tanay, Liz Boots, Anna, Carol Gray and Stephen Birt.

Pray for those who have been bereaved over recent days We pray for the families of Daphne Kightley, Stanley Neale and Sandra Nightingale.

Pray for our Deanery This month our prayer focus is on the parish of St Martin's

Pray for our Diocese Hythe: St Leonard
Clergy : Pru Dulley, Lou Seear, Andrew Sweeney

Pray for our Residents This week we focus on the residents and businesses in Bramshott Close, Braunstone Drive and Blackmanstone Way.

Pray for our Community our Halls Committee

Charity for the month of January Maidstone Street Pastors



Cards Available

Baptism, Sympathy, Thank You and Thinking of You cards for sale in the Prayer Corner, £1 each. Please put your payment in the wall safe in the entrance foyer.

Electoral Roll (Church membership list)

Every sixth year we are required to draw up a new Electoral Roll, in place of the previous one. This was last done in 2013 and so it is due to be done again this year. If you wish to remain on the Electoral Roll, or join it for the first time, a form needs to be completed - these can be found at the back of church, or can be obtained from the Parish Administrator.

Data Protection Consent Forms signed in 2018 confirm that you have given consent for St Nicholas' to hold your details in the Church Electoral Roll Directory. If you have not completed a consent form you will have to do so to enable the church to hold your information - these forms are also at the back of church, or can be obtained from the Parish Administrator.

CALEB HOWARD
Electoral Roll Officer