

Funeral for Daphne Kightley

Understandably, some have been enquiring when this will be. Matters have been delayed for various reasons but I can announce that it will be as follows:-

MONDAY 18th FEBRUARY - 11am in St Nicholas' Church followed by burial at St Mary's, Teynham, where Daphne was baptised, confirmed and married. I do not have details relating to the reception at present. Rev Chris

Thanksgiving for Walter Downing

Many of you know 'Wally' who worshipped here for many years - sadly he passed away on Monday 28th January. There will be a Thanksgiving Service on TUESDAY 19th FEBRUARY - 12noon in St Nicholas' Church, followed by refreshments at the back of church. Rev Chris

Church Events



Loos and Lights Campaign

You can donate by completing a blue form (at the back of church) or, for your 'convenience' (did you see what I did there!!!), we now have a just giving page—justgiving.com/crowdfunding/stnicholas-church

Unwanted Christmas Present Sale, 17th Feb, after Oasis Communion

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 presents a Ceilidh

Friday 1st March, 7pm in Church

Tickets £5 each or £15 family, from Sarah or the office

Bring your own drink and snacks



FREE Film Afternoon for Lent

Saturday 23rd March, 3pm

The Shack (Certificate 12) A Christian drama

And in the halls....

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

Allington Community Market, 1st March, 12noon to 3pm



Millennium Green Quiz, 2nd March, 7.30pm

Bring your own drinks, £5 per ticket on 756660



St Nicholas' Church

Sunday 10th February 2019 - 4th before Lent

9.30am	Oasis Parade
11.00am	Holy Communion
12noon	Sunday Lunch Club

and the week ahead

Monday 11th February

8.30am	Morning Prayer
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Tuesday 12th February

3.20pm	Palace Wood Explorers
7.30pm	The Bible Project

Wednesday 13th February

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

Thursday 14th February

9.00am	Prayer Space
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Friday 15th February

10.00am	Mums & Babes Pilgrim
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Saturday 16th February

10.00am	Saturday Club
2.00pm	Private Use

Sunday 17th February - 3rd before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Oasis Communion with Oasis Explorers
11.00am	Unwanted Xmas Present Sale
5.00pm	Oasis in the Afternoon Communion

A Prayer for February

As we come before God may we remember His overwhelming love and compassion for His people. Let us bring our praise joining all those who have gone before us. We pray that we will never lose sight of the Holiness, greatness, faithfulness, the unchanging nature of God.

We continue to thank the Lord for His concern for all people and ask for His guidance as we reach out to those around us. Help us to show love to all those we meet regardless of our own prejudices. May the Lord give us the grace to be His hands, feet and mouth in Allington.

We thank the Lord again for all that is happening within the Church and ask for His protection as His word is proclaimed week by week. Help us to keep our eyes focussed on Jesus and not be distracted by things around us.

Let us give thanks for the Bible Project and ask the Lord to give understanding to all those taking part and hearing the teaching on Sunday. Help us to continue to hear what 'the Spirit is saying to the church. Let us have ears to hear.' But we ask that we not only hear, but act as necessary. May we grow in spirit and truth, not be complacent but seek God's will for us and turn away from those things that aren't helpful.

As we near the Brexit date let us pray earnestly for our leaders, that a beneficial agreement will be reached which will allow us to move forward. Let us pray for all those whose deep feelings on this issue are causing hurt to those around them. May we all keep it in perspective and join in praying for a godly outcome.

Please keep praying for all those issues mentioned on the prayer board and also for those who are on the periphery of the church. May their faith be strengthened and their desire to know more of Jesus grow.

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

Annual Parish Meeting (APM) & Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Our annual meetings will take place on the evening of Monday the 1st April, in church. There will be a short communion service at 7pm followed by the meetings starting at 7.30pm. The APM is very short and is to elect churchwardens - that is followed by the longer APCM (not too long) at which annual reports are presented and vacant posts on the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and Deanery Synod are voted upon.

If you wish to put your name forward for Churchwarden or PCC please contact Jenny, the administrator, for the relevant nomination form.

Annual meeting 'packs' will be available for collection from the back of church in due course - all are free to take one, although if you are registered on the Electoral Roll there will be one specifically with your name on it - if you are able to deliver any that would be much appreciated.

Rev Chris



Pray for the sick and anxious

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

Pray for those who have been bereaved over recent days We pray for the families of Stephen Birt, Walter Downing, Ivy Pavlovici, Marquite Murrell, Daphne Kightley, Stanley Neale and Sandra Nightingale.

Pray for our Deanery This month we pray for All Saints with St Philip, Maidstone and St Philip, Tovil

Pray for our Diocese Walmer and Cornilo Clergy : Seth Cooper

Pray for our Residents This week we focus on the residents and businesses in Bodiam Court, Barker Road and Broadway.

Pray for our Community our Fabric Committee and all involved in maintenance of the buildings and the surroundings

Charity for the month of February Alongside Africa



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**