



**Weekly News 12th August 2018**

**Today's services - Sunday 12th August**

8am	Matins	St Paul's
10am	Morning Praise	Present (Psalm 11)
6.30pm	Evening Service	Demons (Luke 11:14-23)

**Next Sunday (19th August)**

8am	Matins	All Saints Chapel
10am	Morning Praise	Hopeless (Psalm 12)
6.30pm	Evening Service	Signs (Luke 11:24-36)

*Everything you need for today's service will be on the screen. Service sheets, including large print, are available if you prefer.*

*Toilets are located in the hall next door.*

*In the event of a fire please exit the building either through the main door or via the door to the church hall (Link), then turn right into the graveyard. Fire Assembly Point is the War Memorial, by the gate.*

*Please switch your hearing aid to the T setting for our **Induction Loop system***

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The Vicarage  
19<sup>th</sup> August 2018

Dear Friends,

As some of you will know, on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October** Rod Thomas, the Bishop of Maidstone, will be joining us at our 6.30pm service. For many this will be our first opportunity to meet Rod, and to hear from him as he preaches to us. At the same time, Rod will be confirming a number of people from St Alkmund's and St Paul's who want to publicly declare their faith in Jesus and their membership of our churches. I know that the end of October is a long way off, but I mention this now as there are at least three things we can do to prepare.

First, do pray for Rod in his ministry, and the candidates as they prepare for confirmation. Rod Thomas has a ministry to those churches who cannot in conscience accept the ministry of female Bishops, and that takes him all around the country and to over 100 churches. As this is a developing area, there are lots of conversations, some of them hard, with various Bishops and dioceses. For our confirmation candidates, pray that this will be an opportunity for them to articulate their faith, and a significant step on their walk with Christ.

Second, come and join us on the 21<sup>st</sup> October even if it is not your usual practice to come twice. You never know – you might like it! We won't be able to have Rod Thomas come to us very often, so do take this opportunity. It will also be a great encouragement to those being confirmed, and to their families.

Third, consider confirmation for yourself if you haven't been confirmed. It may be that you have returned to faith after an absence, or that you wish to express your commitment to Christ for the first time, or your commitment to this church as your home. If you are interested, do talk to me about this in September.

## Opportunities to Serve

### Sound technicians.

We are in need of people to train for this task, and be available for Sunday evening service. Please contact the office if you can help.

### Youth and children's ministry .

Could you help with this important ministry? On Sundays, or during the week at Babes and Bouncers or with the youth groups. Contact Helen or Carys.

### Evening Coffee Rota

The rota for evening refreshments is currently kept at the back of church. However, the office are trying to look into doing a more robust rota, so, if this is something you could consider doing (say every 4, or 6 weeks) then please let the office know. The more people on, the less you'll be rota'd.

Thank you.

## Coming Up

### Sparks & Sunday Club over the Summer

Sparks will be taking a break until 9th September & a Summer Sunday Club will be taking place during the school holidays. If anyone has a current DBS and wishes to help out, please speak to the Helen Hawley.

### Confirmation Classes in September.

Beginning 9th September at 5.30pm, we'll be running Confirmation classes in the church hall for any of the youth who wish to be confirmed. If any adults wish to be confirmed, please speak to James Hughes.

### The Way, The Truth and The Life

A new Thursday Course beginning 20th September in the hall 10am and 7.30pm.

### Harvest Supper 29th September

A perfect evangelistic event to invite friends to. More info nearer the time, but save the date!

## Mission Partners update

There is an update letter from Graeme & Bequi Innes on the notice board in the foyer.

## Prayers

**For those who are ill:** Hazel Gilman; Doreen Curl; Glan Evans; Brenda Norreys; Norman Wainwright; Laura (a friend of Joanna Saunders); Maurice Shenton; Marie-Claire Carswell; & Susan Slawson; Graham and Elizabeth Newton.

**For those who have been recently bereaved.** Especially for Mervyn and family.

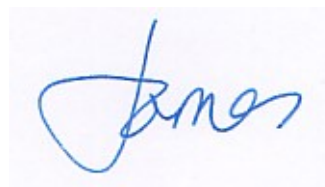
## Take Note

**GDPR consent forms.** These need to be completed and handed in to the office ASAP, as we begin to sort out who wishes to be contact, in which way, and begin the put together a church directory. Please ensure that all forms, are ticked as appropriate, and signed (or emailed) before being handed into the office. Thanks.

**Morning Prayer** Morning prayer (Tuesdays at 9.15am) will be taking a break until 4th September.

**Youth & Children's work.** It is a huge privilege to share with you in teaching your children about Jesus. As our regular youth & children's groups take a break for the summer holidays, I wanted to recommend a blog that I think looks really good which is all about parenting! There should be a new post each day over the holidays giving encouragement and advice on how to be the primary disciplers of your children in the home. Do take a look at the link . God bless, Helen Hawley. <https://faithinkids.org/blog/app/archive/2018-07/title/parenting-with-purpose-hours-in-the-week>

Yours in Christ



If you would like to see **James Hughes**, the Vicar, about any pastoral or church matter, please contact him at home on 841867 or at the office on 840536.

## Youth and Children's Work at St Alkmund's

### Sunday by Sunday

Children are very welcome in this church. You may wish to consider sitting where the children are able to see (joining in with actions is positively encouraged). All children are invited to join the following groups:

**Crèche (ages 0-3):** In the vestry.

**Sunday Club (preschool to school Year 6):** In the hall.

**Fuel (school years 7-9):** In the Smith Chapel (term time only).

If you are visiting, or joining us for the first time, please ensure you've completed a temporary consent form.

## Dates for your Diary.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>13th August</b> School Summer Holidays	<b>14th August</b>	<b>15th August</b>	<b>16th August</b>	<b>17th August</b>	<b>18th August</b>	<b>19th August</b> 8am Matins All Saints Chapel  10am Morning Service  6.30pm Evening Service
<b>20th August</b> School Summer Holidays	<b>21st August</b>	<b>22nd August</b>	<b>23rd August</b>	<b>24th August</b>	<b>25th August</b>	<b>26th August</b> 8am Communion St Alkmund's  10am Morning Service  6.30pm Communion
<b>27th August</b> School Summer Holidays	<b>28th August</b>	<b>29th August</b>	<b>30th August</b>	<b>31st August</b>	<b>1st September</b>	<b>2nd September</b> 8am Communion  10am Morning Service  6.30pm First Sunday Special
<b>3rd September</b>  2pm Songs of Praise	<b>4th September</b> 9.15am Morning Prayer	<b>5th September</b>  8pm Prayer Meeting	<b>6th September</b>	<b>7th September</b>	<b>8th September</b>	<b>9th September</b> 8am Communion  10am Morning Service  6.30pm Communion