

Please remember to bring your old mobile phones, phone cards, spectacles, Canon and HP printer cartridges (no other ink cartridges, thank you), stamps, foreign coins, postcards, etc. for re-cycling. Please put them in Priest Jacqueline's box at the back of the church.

We support Ellenor, Demelza House, The Children's Society, Leprosy Mission, RNLI and Cancer Research UK.

Your contributions provide valuable support to hard-pressed charities and are very gratefully received as well as doing something for the planet.

Closer... Is a one year experiential course in Christian Spirituality. The course will offer both exploration and experience of the depth of Christian Spirituality.



The participants will:
 Explore and develop their own relationship with God
 Try new ways of praying
 Learn about different Christian Spiritualities
 Explore discernment and decision making

The course is at 65 Maidstone Road, Chatham, ME4 6DP and runs for 7 Saturdays in 2016—2017 from 10.30 am—3.00 pm and costs £15 per session

To book and for more information contact Rev. Canon Susanne Carlssons (Adviser for Spirituality in Rochester Diocese)
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 07795 167603

22nd Oct 2016	What is Prayer?
29th Oct	Images of God and Self
21st Jan 2017	Different Ways of Praying
29th April	Different Ways of Praying
24th June	Discernment and Decision Making
9th Sept	Different Spiritualities
2nd Dec	Deepening and Review

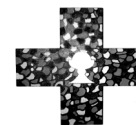
Gluten free Communion wafers are available at every service—please have a word with the Churchwardens or Clergy if you would like to receive gluten free wafers at Communion.

Items for the news sheet should be sent to juliehill34@aol.com or left on the clip in the lobby
 Items for the website should be sent to info@christchurchgravesend.org.uk

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3rd July 2016
 Notes and News



Christ Church
 Milton-next-Gravesend

A warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us this morning. Please make yourself known to one of the clergy or the people who greeted you at the door.

Looking Ahead

3rd July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am		Family Communion
7th July	2.00 pm	Pilgrim Course
7.30 pm		Pilgrim Course
9th July	9.30 am	Working Party
10th July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am		All-Age Service
6.30 pm		Evensong
13th July	1.45 pm	First Steps Service
17th July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am		Family Communion
21st July	3.00 pm	Mustard Seed
24th July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am		Family Communion
6.30 pm		Confirmation
28th July	2.00 pm	Pilgrim Course
7.30 pm		Pilgrim Course
31st July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
10.00 am		Family Communion

The next Church Working Party is on Saturday 9th July starting at 9.30 am.

We really need some extra people to give a hand to keep the church clean and to do small diy jobs.

Please come — good company and tasty refreshments guaranteed!!

Altar Flowers —



The altar flowers this week have been sponsored by Phyllis Crouch in memory of her Husband, Billy.

Copies of the Duties list from August have been sent by email. Please let me know if you have not had your copy.

Thanks, Julie

Holy Communion 8.00 am Monday, 7.00 am Tuesday, 10.00 am Wednesday
 7.00 am Thursday, no service Friday, 8.00 am Saturday

Tuesday	Morning Prayer	8.00 am at	St. Aidan's Church
Wednesday	Evening Prayer	5.15 pm at	Christ Church
Thursday	Morning Prayer	8.30 am at	Holy Family Church
Friday	Evening Prayer	5.15 pm at	Holy Family Church

Angela Kirby's Mother in Law, Margaret, from St. Mary's Church, wishes to thank the congregation of Christ Church for their donations towards her sponsored abseil in aid of Alzheimer and Dementia Support. She has now reached £740, which is 370% of her original target.

Many, many thanks to you all.

This message is rather belated but nevertheless my thanks are sincere.

I wish to convey a big thank you to all who sent lovely cards wishing me well after my operation at the end of April. It was great to know that friends are thinking of you.

Later when I was able to return to church, it was lovely to receive such a warm welcome

Thank you so much. Barbara.

semiquavers

We were pleased to receive a donation of £100 for Christian Aid. This was part of the money raised at Semicquavers concert

The Pilgrim Course continues on Thursday 7th July at 2.00 pm at Anne's, 43 Park Avenue and at 7.30pm at the Vicarage.

We are to studying the Beautitudes and this week's session is entitled "Living as citizens of God's Kingdom".

New members are always welcome to attend.

Evie raised the magnificent sum of £700 when she did her sponsored bike ride recently.

There is a thank you card from her at the back of the church

CONGRATULATIONS

to Ray and Ann Green who are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary.



Please join them in the hall after the 10.00am service for a glass of wine.

Gravesend & District Osteoporosis Support Group

are meeting in the Church Hall on Tuesday 5th July at 7.00 pm
Entry £2.00

Centre for Independent Living Kent

A talk by the Project Manager
Followed by
A Silent Auction

Tea/coffee and biscuits

Everyone welcome



Domestic Abuse Training In Swanley, Kent Wednesday 7th September 10.00 am – 1.00 pm

CCPAS is very pleased to be working in partnership with RESTORED to bring you this training module on Domestic Abuse. Restored is an International Christian Alliance whose aim is to promote healthy relationships, end violence against women and to encourage and equip faith based organisations to provide a safe space for survivors to heal, restore and speak out. This course will explore and raise awareness of the prevalence and impact of domestic abuse encouraging all who attend to understand that the church is not immune from these issues. This is a face-to-face training session with an interactive delivery style.

The cost of the course is £14.95 per person, which includes a work pack.

For further information or to book please contact Karen Ledger on 0845 120 45 50 option 3 or see the website which is <https://www.ccpas.co.uk/events/domestic-abuse-swanley>

The next **First Steps Service** is on **Wednesday 13th July** in the church at **1.45 pm**.

If you are a family with pre-school children, please come and join in the fun.

We will have songs accompanied by bells and shakers, a story and prayers. After the service there will be time to chat over a cup of tea while the children play with the toys.



MANY THANKS

To everyone who supports the Food Bank. At present, they need

- Juice and milk (no fridge)
- Tinned fruit
- Sugar
- Toilet rolls
- custard
- tinned meat
- instant noodles/rice