

# St Paul's Church

Boxley Road • Maidstone

## **Prayer Resource** **week beginning Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

*'Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.  
Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.'* (Proverbs 3: 5-6)

This week we give thanks for:

- The power of prayer, and for all who faithfully pray each day for the world, the environment, the local community, and for everyone in need of God's love and care.

Please pray for:

- The people of Kazakhstan as fuel riots and gunfire escalate to become broader protests against the government.
- The NHS as the numbers of staff off work for Covid reasons continue to rise and the Ministry of Defence agree to provide personnel to tackle NHS staff shortages.
- Our young people as they return to school and college, and may these places of learning be places where gratitude and generosity transform lives.
- The guests, volunteers and staff of Maidstone Winter Shelter which opened last week; pray too for shelters and foodbanks around the country, providing much needed care and support for the homeless and those who are struggling to make ends meet.
- Our Church family: especially all who are struggling, and for Joan, Gilly, Barbara, Hazel, Edith, Jane, Peter, Sheila, Pat, Alice and Jill; and in the wider church for Ruth, Joan and Helen.
- Let us rejoice in the good gifts that God has lavished upon us; give us courage to be extravagant in our generosity to others.

**You may like to use this prayer during the week:**

**Father God, burst into my life this week, giving me hope and faith. Forgive me when I haven't trusted You, and strengthen my love for You. Amen.**