



St Paul's Church



Love those
who are
unloving

Tuesday's verse of the day, from the Bible app, really struck my heart and the story that was told about a lady who forgave those who had murdered her husband. Whilst many of us will never be in that situation, it crossed my mind. Do we really love like Jesus or do we just think it?

Luke 6:26, Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who hurt you.

Rev Claude

SERVICES

SUNDAY 12 JULY – 6th Sunday after Trinity

9.15 am for 9.30 am - Bubble Church

10.30 am – All-Age Service with Communion – Rev Claude

Readings: Romans 8.1-11; Matthew 13.1-9.18-23

SUNDAY 19 JULY – 7th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am – Morning Worship – Gwyn

Readings: Romans 8.12-25; Matthew 13.24-30.36-43

SUNDAY 26 JULY – 8th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am – Holy Communion – Rev Claude

Charys Beswick will be preaching

Readings: Psalm 19 (NIV); Ephesians 3: 14-21 (NIV)

SUNDAY 2 AUGUST – 9th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 am – Café Worship – Gwyn

EVENTS

FRIDAY 3 JULY @ 9.30 am

Baby & Toddler Group

THURSDAY 9 JULY @ 2.30 pm

Mothers' Union: Cream Tea

THURSDAY 16 JULY @ 2.30 pm

Fellowship: Beetle Drive

FRIDAY 31 JULY @ 7 pm

Church Crafts

THURSDAY 20 AUGUST @ 2.30 pm

Fellowship: The Leprosy Mission - Wendy Piccinini

SATURDAY 22 AUGUST - time tbc

BBQ

THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER @ 10.30 am

Fellowship: Seaside outing

Prayer Resources

week beginning Sunday, 5th July 2026

'Prayer transforms our vision of the world, and makes us see it... in the light of God.' (Thomas Merton)

This week we give thanks for:

- 'Twin your toilet' projects in communities that have helped families to build their own basic toilets and access clean water.

Please pray for:

- The families who have lost loved ones in the earthquakes in Venezuela, and for those still waiting for news; pray too for strength and safety for the medical and rescue teams working through the rubble to save lives and care for the injured and bereaved.
- Communities around the world that are living with poor sanitation, unhealthy hygiene and unsafe drinking water, causing diseases such as cholera, typhoid and dysentery.
- More awareness of the need to reduce plastic pollution in the laundry process (synthetic clothes shed tiny fibres during washing and drying).
- The newly baptised, for those considering confirmation and for recently married couples, and for new younger members to join our congregation.
- Our Church family, especially all who are struggling; and for Edith, Alice, Jill, Sandra, Brenda, Elizabeth, Carol, Di, Ray, Percy, Paul, Jan S, Jan H and Trevor; for Meaghan and Wendy.
- The residents and staff at Maidstone Care Centre.

You may like to use this prayer during the week:

Lord of refreshment, guide my path in righteousness, lead me by still waters, bring peace to my weary soul. May I, too, guide others to places of restoration and healing. Amen.

New Bible Studies

Mondays 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th August

Meaning in the Miracles

led by Rev Canon Liz Walker

These 4 Bible Studies will look more deeply at a Miracle account and then consider what this might suggest about how we practise our faith today.

When: 7.30pm (Coffee from 7.15) **Where:** in St Nicholas Church

Monday 3rd The Gerasene Demoniac *Mark 5 v.1-20*

Monday 10th The Feeding of the 5000 *Mark 6 v. 30-44*

Monday 17th The Stilling of the Storm *Mark 4 v.35-41*

Monday 24th The Healing of the Syrophenician woman's daughter *Mark 7v.24-30*

It would be great to see you there. Please speak to one another about car sharing.

Food Bank

The next delivery will be on 10th July.

Security Awareness training

Rev Joyce Addison is arranging Home Office-funded training on understanding security threats and practical public building (church) safety. A session is planned at St Martin's, probably in September, if at least 20 people sign up. To express interest, email Joyce. revjaddison@gmail.com

Rev Anthea Mitchell has arranged training at St Andrews on 26th July at 12:15 on working with children and current guidance. All churches are welcome, whether already involved or considering it. Please let Anthea know if you would like to attend. anthea.mitchell@sky.com



Boxley Church
GARDEN
PARTY

To be held at
The Old Vicarage
Saturday 4th July 2026
from 2.30 to 4.30pm

Teas * Stalls * Games
Tombola * Raffle
Car Parking (at the church) ME14 3DX

Scone Baking Competition. Bring 4 savoury or sweet.
ENTRY: Adults £2, Children free
**'Proceeds to the Friends of Boxley Church
for preservation of our historic church'.**
If very wet, in the church