

All Saints Church, Perry Street, Northfleet

# September 2024 Newsletter

The PCC has decided that due to a lack of material coming in for the Newsletter, we will be trying a quarterly edition at present.

After a summer break for many of us, finishing yesterday with Mass and a picnic at Aylesford Priory, things are beginning to return to normal. You will notice at Mass today that the Choir has returned to lead the worship. We would always welcome more Singers, Servers and Readers at Mass.

Most Saturdays there is an event taking place; Church cleaning could always do with more helpers, Saturday Cuppa would welcome you and your friends and family for a time of fellowship, this month the Cuppa will be extended over lunchtime as we welcome the “Riders and Striders.” There will be a Harvest Craft and Activity morning. Come and join us for the Harvest Supper, add your name to the list in the south aisle and let us know what food you are bringing to share, join us for Evening Prayer before the Supper on Sunday morning bring your Harvest Gifts (tins and packets which will be donated to the Foodbank). At the end of month we will be holding a Jumble Sale, we need Jumble to sell (any items – hence the name “Jumble”) and helpers for the stalls, also donations for the Tombola prizes.

After a year in Interregnum we must remember that we are very fortunate to have Fr James and Fr Simon, and now Fr Lindsay to maintain our services. It would be good to see you on either a Tuesday morning or a Thursday morning (or both) at 9.30 a.m. to worship God and show your thanks to our Honorary Assistant Priests for their work. They are retired like many of us and offer their work to the Church as volunteers, as many of us do.

I know it's early to start thinking of Christmas, but please put the date of the Christmas Fayre in your diary – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Please start to collect items that we can sell at the Fayre. There will be a donation box in the Church from the beginning of October.

## **Local walks - Northfleet Country Park**

From the church walk to Vale Road, pass the Earl Grey on your right, the Six Bells on your left, keep going until you come to Thames Way, cross the road towards the Theatre Guild, enter towards the doctors, but do not go through the gates, take the rugged path on the right, up the steps, at the top it levels out. You can keep on this level or investigate either higher or lower.

All three paths will take you past trees shrubs and wildflowers. You may be lucky and see squirrels or rabbits at play or meet a friendly dog out for a walk with its owner.

You will eventually come to an exit which will take you out onto Springhead Road, walk downhill and cross Thames Way and continue up Springhead Road towards Pepperhill roundabout.

If you wish you can turn right a little way up and return via the park to just before Vale Road or continue uphill and you can come to Waterdales, turn left here and then right into Gwynn Road take the passageway on the left into Wombwell Park and walk through the park towards the car park and Mitchell Avenue.

Turn right onto Hall Road and then turn left walk down Hall Road until the Library, cross, and continue along Earl Road into Perry Street and to your starting point

## **The Great Escape**

As a family we decided to have a jolly jaunt across the Channel to immerse ourselves in the culture and history of our beloved Ypres.

After enjoying the sights, we needed to make our merry way back to the port of Dunkirk after extracting a member of your congregation from the excitement of the superfluous amounts of certain beverages in the Duty Free, we at last made it on to our vessel to carry us on The Sleeve and onwards to our native land.

As we berthed at the Port of Dover, the vehicle full of laughter and jokes about our day, we came to the cubicle to show our passports, only to be met with sirens and wailing, pointing and much gesticulation near our presence. Turning to see which vehicle had caused said rumpus we were ushered into a warehouse full of Border Force officers!

We looked at each other trying to guess who was still on Interpol's hit list, I think you can all surmise where our suspicions lay, when an officer approached the car.

Questions were asked and passports taken, we waited to see who would be questioned first.

One of our captured band bravely volunteered to be stripped searched while the others made a run for it, another shouted it was victimisation due to Irish heritage, while another member of the band of desperados winced as he heard a distant snap of a rubber glove.

It was becoming too much as waited for our fate, what would become of our intrepid explorers?

The officer returned and with a steely look in his eye, slowly reached into his pocket. With a cry of "You'll never take me alive copper" ringing from the car, he pulled out a ... Geiger counter unfortunately due to my Radioiodine Therapy it had set the alarm's off. We were sent on our way with our brave band ready to ride again, glowing gently in the dusk.

### **LAMP SPONSORSHIP**

Each week the four lamps burn in the Church, the Lamp of the Blessed Sacrament (white), the Lamp of Our Lady (blue), the Sanctuary Lamp (red) and the Memorial Lamp (red).

You may like to Sponsor these to Celebrate a Birth, Wedding, Wedding Anniversary or in Memory of a Loved One.

On the Weekly Bulletin we publish the name(s) of those in whose Memory the Lamps are burning for the current week and they are prayed for at Mass.

We suggest a donation £10 to cover the cost of the Lamp Sponsorship.

*To arrange a date for Sponsorship please speak to Martin. Donations can be placed in an envelope and left in the box in the south aisle.*

# **SATURDAY CUPPA**

***WITH 100 CLUB DRAW & TOMBOLA***

**SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER**

**SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER**

**SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER**

**10.00 A.M.**



**IN THE CHURCH HALL**

***ALL WELCOME***

SUPPORT THE...



**We collect stamps  
for the Bone Cancer Stamp Appeal.**

Collection boxes are available  
in the Church and Church Hall.

**Have you considered joining our Easy Giving site.  
There are over 8,000 brands, who will donate to our Funds  
when you make an on-line purchase.**

**So far we have received over £100**

Help increase our chances of winning £250! Sign up to support All Saints Church Perry Street on #easyfundraising today! Each new person who joins counts as an entry. It's completely free, and winning would really make a big difference to us! Plus, you get to support us for free all year round as you do all your online shopping!

Get started: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/all-saints-perry-street/f4iqqo/c2s/FZgUp2Ac/CE8og/facebook/>

Winnings for you, Money for the Church

## **All Saints Monthly Draw**

(formerly known as the 100 Club)

Pick up a form from the table in south aisle  
and return it to the Church.

The more people that are in the draw, the bigger the prizes!



**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**9.30 a.m. Decorating the Church for Harvest**

**11.00 a.m. Harvest Crafts and Activities**

**6.00 p.m. Harvest Evening Prayer**

**6.30 p.m. Harvest (Bring & Share) Supper**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**10.00 a.m. Parish Mass**

*Please bring tins and packets as your Harvest gifts.*

*These will be donated to the Foodbank.*



The background is a warm yellow color, decorated with a repeating pattern of stylized autumn leaves and small flowers in shades of brown, orange, and red. The leaves are simple line drawings with some filled in, and the flowers are small, five-petaled shapes. At the bottom center, there is a large, detailed illustration of an orange pumpkin with a green stem and leaf.

Get ready for a

# AUTUMN HARVEST

## CRAFTS

September 21<sup>st</sup> at 11am

All Saints Community Hall

Perry Street.

All Welcome.



**SATURDAY 28 SEPTEMBER**

**11.00 a.m.**

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALL,  
PERRY STREET, NORTHFLEET**





**Christmas Fayre**  
**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November**  
**11a.m.**

**Helpers required**

*Donations may be left  
in the collection box  
in the South Aisle from the  
beginning of October.*



Do You Enjoy Knitting or Crocheting?  
Why Not Come Along To Our Annual Big Knit at Rochester Cathedral?  
Everyone is Welcome So Bring a Friend or Two

### You can help us by creating:

**Squares:** Plain coloured squares to be knitted in either white, pink, blue or grey.  
Please bring them together in batches of 36 or 49 or even sewn up completely already as blankets

**Square Size:** 6 inch x 6 inch, size 8 needles, (cast on approx 30 stitches & knit 56 rows)

**Popular Items:** Baby Cardigans (0-5years), Loopie Cardigans & Blankets (All sizes)

**Popular Colours:** Pink, Blue, White, Cream & Grey

Thank you!

All items made or donated will be sold in our beautiful shop 'Handmade with Love' which is located in The Mall, Maidstone.

Please RSVP to [jodie@makingmiracles.org.uk](mailto:jodie@makingmiracles.org.uk)



Date  
Time  
Venue

SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2024

10AM - 1PM

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL  
ROCHESTER, KENT, ME1 1SX

  
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The Big Knit & Big Crochet Care Charity

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### **Dates for Your Diary**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
9.30 a.m. Church cleaning  
12.00 p.m. Holy Baptism  
3.00 p.m. Marriage Rite

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September  
10.00 a.m. Saturday Cuppa *extended for Ride and Stride*

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September  
9.30 a.m. Decorating for Harvest  
11.00 a.m. Harvest Crafts & Activities  
6.00 p.m. Harvest Evening Prayer  
6.30 p.m. Harvest Supper

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Our Lady of Walsingham  
9.30 a.m. Mass for Walsingham *with Healing Ministries*

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September  
11.00 a.m. Jumble Sale

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October  
7.30 a.m. All Saints Vigil Mass

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November - All Saints Day  
9.30 a.m. Said Mass

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - All Souls Day  
10.00 a.m. Requiem Mass

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance  
10.00 a.m. Parish Mass  
and Act of Remembrance

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November  
11.00 a.m. Christmas Fayre

The December edition of the Newsletter will be available on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November.  
Items for inclusion in should be sent to Martin by Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

**When you have read this Newsletter please share it  
with your family and friends**

Weekly at All Saints				
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Little Lambs</b>	<b>Mass</b>

Who's who at All Saints			
<b>Parish Priest</b> <i>Post Vacant</i>	<b>Churchwarden</b> Garth Fisher 07359 138 267	<b>Churchwarden</b> Rita Shaw 07734 505 554	<b>Safeguarding Officer</b> Susan Johncock 07984 616 906
<b>Hon Asst Priest</b> Fr Simon Walker 07794 523 179	<b>Hon Asst Priest</b> Fr James Southward 07805 770 042	<b>Hon Asst Priest</b> Fr Lindsay McKenna	<b>Readers</b> June Skinner Hilary Turton
<b>Parish Administrator</b> Martin Hill 07756 736 548 allsaintsperrystreet@gmail.com	To book a Baptism, Wedding or for general enquiries please contact the Parish Administrator.		<b>Hall Bookings</b> Angela Hill 07598 160 937

