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The Link

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**February
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The Magazine of
St Saviour's Parish Church

**THE PARISH CHURCH OF
ST SAVIOUR WESTGATE ON SEA**

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St Saviour's Church, Westgate

Welcome

**TO OUR
FRIENDLY
FRIDAY
MORNINGS**

10am TO 12noon



**REFRESHMENTS
AVAILABLE,
ACTIVITIES**

OR MEET FOR A CHAT

Join Us!

**STARTING
FRIDAY 1st
FEBRUARY**

St Saviour's Church, Westgate

FAMILY SERVICE

SUNDAY

3rd FEBRUARY

At 10.30am



Dear Friends,

First I would like to offer thanks to Mrs.Valda Neve for creating such a great Church magazine month after month. It can be very demanding getting everything together on time for the printers and no sooner has Valda finished one when its time for the next. I know what the pressure can be like because my wife, Andrea, was our church magazine editor in Surrey. 'Thank you' Valda!

The Church Liturgical Calendar for February is full of examples of Christ's Light of Love. It begins on the 1st when we remember Saint Brigid of Kildare, Ireland (AD.525). There are many stories told about this amazing Christian leader. She was given lands in central Ireland for a monastery for both men and women and she was the Abbess. She was renowned for her kindness and hospitality. Kildare is built on a hill and part of the mission of her community was to keep a fire burning day and night as a beacon of Christ's Light for all Ireland. There are Brigidine Sisters who run a retreat centre in Kildare today and they will give you a red candle as a sign of Christ's love that will shine in your home.

There is a connection with Brigit's Christ Light and the 2nd February when the Church celebrates the Feast of Christ's Light, Candlemass – the occasion when Mary and Joseph take the 40 day old Jesus to the Jerusalem Temple to Present him to the Lord. St.Luke tells us that the prophet Simeon takes the baby in his arms and declares him to be ' the light to lighten the gentiles and to be the glory of your people Israel.' This is the time to take your candles to church and have them blessed. Traditionally Christmas cribs are kept up until the 2nd and look out for snowdrops which are also known as 'Candlemass Bells.'

The Sundays in February are known as either Epiphany Sundays or Sundays before Lent. Green is the colour of the church altar frontals and the priest's vestments. We shall be following the Gospel of Saint Luke as he unfolds the story of Christ's Ministry in Galilee. We see Christ's Light shining

through his work as God's healer and teacher.

On the 6th February we shall give thanks to our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth as she celebrates 67 years on the throne. Christ's Light has certainly shone in her life!

Near the end of the month (27th) the Church of England gives thanks for the Reverend George Herbert (1633). He worked as a parish priest in very difficult times – the eve of the English Civil War. Herbert wrote about and practised the way a priest should be. He was a true pastor visiting the homes of his parish listening to the peoples' joys and sorrows. Every day they heard the church bell ring for Morning and Evening Prayer. They knew that he was offering their prayers to God. We still have his lengthy instructions on how to be a good parish priest, and his poems and hymns. He was in his time and remains for our time a beacon of Christ's Light. Why not look up his hymns and poems and listen to Vaughan William's 5 Mystical Songs which use his poems ? Herbert gives us so much to lighten our pilgrim way to heaven – 'Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven I can raise thee. Small it is, in this poor sort to enrol thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.'

Every blessing, Father David Chance.



FROM THE REGISTERS

For those Baptised

“Shine as a light in the world, to the Glory of God the Father”

For those joined in Holy Matrimony

“God our Father, pour out your blessing on all joined in Holy Matrimony; that they may be joined in mutual love and companionship, in holiness and commitment to each other”

The Sick

“Lord, grant your healing presence to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit”

Phyll, Doreen , Beryl , Liz, Joyce

The Departed

“Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word”

We give thanks for the life of those who now rest in eternal peace, and pray for their families and friends

Simon Moores

For those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

“Dear God, we thank you for the rest in Christ they now enjoy, and thank you for giving them to us”

Len Palmer

Church Wardens Report

Firstly Happy New Year to you all.

The work in the middle vestry has begun and this involves replacing the sink unit and updating the hot water supply.

Together with Peter, our PCC Treasurer, we had a meeting with Richard Braddy (Area Dean) as part of the newly formed Seamarsh Group. Although we are still in an interregnum, it's a lovely feeling that we are not alone and have support and guidance should we need it. Richard attended our PCC meeting and he found it refreshing that our PCC members all worked so well together. He also conducted a lovely service on Sunday 13th when he said St Saviours is very much loved and he is working towards finding us a solution to the interregnum. He said it was an exciting time for us.

The church open morning on Saturday 12th was extremely successful, showing visitors the results of all the work that was carried out. It gave people a chance to come in, have a cuppa and listen to Graham playing the organ. A huge thank you to all involved in organising this.

Our family service was so entertaining with the puppets telling us the bible story of the wise men visiting the Baby Jesus. Our family service group work so hard to make the service so special. It's loved by all.

Two services during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity services were held in St Saviour's: Susan, Lesley and Terry led the Tuesday service; and Deacon James of the Parish of the Holy Family led the Thursday service.

We are still updating our website and once the nicer weather is here a virtual tour will take place allowing people to see the church in all its glory. Facebook is growing in followers, which is good.

Elaine and Chris Howe members of our congregation are currently volunteering in an orphanage in Cambodia for 3 months you can follow their story on their blog <https://elainehowe14.wordpress.com/>. We send them love and prayers.

We continue to thank all the clergy that are stepping in and helping us in our interregnum. Their help is so much appreciated.

With love and blessings, Chis and Christine.

Can you help?

The Churchwardens (Chris and Christine) would love to receive offers of help with the following: -**Transport on Sundays**. Some of our worshippers in Adrian Square, Cliff Field and The Warren Drive are finding it increasingly difficult to make their own way to church and we wonder whether a rota of car drivers could be arranged.

Friends of St Saviour's Church

Thank you to everyone who supported our coffee morning on 26th January 2019. Thank you too to those who were responsible for collecting subscriptions, providing raffle prizes and selling the tickets. I would particularly like to thank Lorna and Ann for providing refreshments when there was no sink or running water and to Alan and Ann for taking the washing up home with them. We raised £404.42 on the day as shown below and the total is likely to be higher by the time you read this article:

Refreshments	£ 26.42
Raffle	£ 45.00
Subs and donations	£333.00
Total	£404.42

It's not too late to renew subscriptions for 2019 or to join The Friends for the first time. The annual subscription is only £2 a person and, apart from approximately £20 for annual expenses, all money received by The Friends goes towards maintaining the building and grounds of St Saviour's Church. Please contact Alan Harris or Christine Attwood for more information.

Our next event is the annual general meeting on Saturday 13th April at 10am for 10.30am in St Saviour's Church. Please show your support for the work of The Friends by attending. Christine Attwood, Secretary

A Message from Dr Stuart Field of Porchlight

I very much enjoyed attending and participating in your church service yesterday and talking to many members of your congregation both before and after wards. I also enjoyed meeting you, the Revd. Susan Wing and your organist Graham Cooper who I last saw 53 years ago in 1966 when we both played the violin in the orchestra of Gonville and Caius College Cambridge where we were both undergraduates! Thank you and the members of the congregation who donated a magnificent £271 to Porchlight. This comprised £91 cash donation from the retiring collection as well as cheques for £100, £60 and £20 from individuals using Gift Aid. This is a fantastic endorsement of your support and commitment for Porchlight – please pass on my thanks to all who contributed. I will take all the envelopes into the Porchlight office this morning but wanted to pen this thank you immediately. Someone from Porchlight will send you an official 'thank you' letter in due course. Many thanks, Kind regards , Stuart.

From the Parochial Church Council Minutes (PCC).....

Meeting 28/11/18. Minutes approved 9/1/19

Ingress of water in North aisle. Several areas of missing mortar have been repaired and the architect is satisfied that the problem has been resolved.

Brass Missal stand donated for the memorial chapel was dedicated by Revd David chance during the 10.30am service on 25 November 2018.

Additional stonework repairs raised at the previous meeting was not taken forward with the Heritage Lottery Fund or the architect following review of the evidence of past discussions.

HLF finance. Transfer of the £1912 designatory fund held in general account to HLF account in progress.

The donation of £100 to the Scripture Union Beach Mission towards the cost of their 2019 Mission was approved.

Fundraising ideas for December were shelved as considered too late to organise.

The Seamarsh Group Ministry has been formally created by the signing of the Pastoral Order by the Right Revd Trevor Willmott, with effect from 1 December 2018. There followed discussion of the possibility of extending existing clergy contracted hours to provide assistance to St Saviour's, and how this may impact on covering Sunday services and finance matters. It was noted that the creation of the Seamarsh Group enabled the vacancy at Birchington with Minnis Bay and Acol to be advertised, although a parish profile had not yet been completed. The new incumbent would join with the other clergy in the Seamarsh Group.

Update on Clerestory window project. Update provided in December issue of Link magazine. Account of expenses given and attention drawn to cost of £455.22 being additional insurance premium. Payment of around £47,000 made to Pierra (contractor). VAT queries satisfactorily resolved. More work to rainwater guttering than expected but changes approved by architect. Scaffolding in process of removal and works still on schedule for completion by 11 December 2018.

New Vestry sink. Proposal to install combination tap as outlined at the previous meeting not taken forward as deemed unnecessary. Proposal for additional cupboard to be sited alongside sink unit (in front of unused doorway) for positioning of kettle at cost of £411 adopted. Cost of other work quoted by Pierra as £6597 (previously £5826).

Upgrade of church toilet. Confirmed that a full faculty not required. Estimate of cost from Pierra £4139.20 plus VAT rejected as cost to be met in full by PCC. Further investigation needed.

Website and virtual tour. Meeting held with our website designer and contents discussed along with suggested updates to general content. Costs covered in HLF grant. Proposal to create a display in the porch of PCC members and other key members of the congregation.

Treasurer's report. Financial statements for the month of October together with cumulative statements for the period 1 January 2018 to 31 October 2018 were approved. An update on the HLF account was also provided. Donation of £5000 reported in October meeting and given towards the cost of the upgrade of toilet to be moved from HLF account to General funds. Second tranche of HLF grant (£56,880) received.

Gift Aid. It was reported that a payment in respect of the claim under the scheme for Gift Aid on Small Donations (GASDS) for the months of May to August had been received. The claim for Gift Aid on donations had yet to be satisfied. Envelopes for one-off donations were now available.

Churchwarden's report. Permission to dispose of choir robes and unused guitar received and to be actioned. Parish phone line now cancelled. Refurbishment of the noticeboard in St Mildred's Road acknowledged and thanks extended to the volunteer who did the work and the donor who paid for it to be done (See Churchwarden report in December Link magazine).

Draft Licence Agreement with the Westgate Heritage Centre. Response from Registrar still awaited.

Open Day 12 January 2019 arranged for community to view restoration work

Giving tins of sweets to pupils of St Saviour's School to be replaced by sending Christmas cards to each class and staffroom. Relative costs to be investigated.

Friends of St Saviour's offered to make a grant towards the cost of deep cleaning floor tiles and carpets and the provision of a handrail at the lectern.

Any other business. The PCC were advised that the Westgate-on-Sea Heritage Centre did not expect to pay Gas/Electricity charges for the period September – December as they had held their meetings elsewhere due to the repair works in the church. It was reported that the Diocese had audited the records maintained for Gift Aid purposes and found all was in order. Extra ground clearance work had been undertaken along the south wall following removal of scaffolding outside the cinema. Thanks were extended to the volunteers involved (see December Link magazine).

Whilst you are welcome to take and enjoy a copy of "The Link", donations towards the cost of printing would be appreciated.

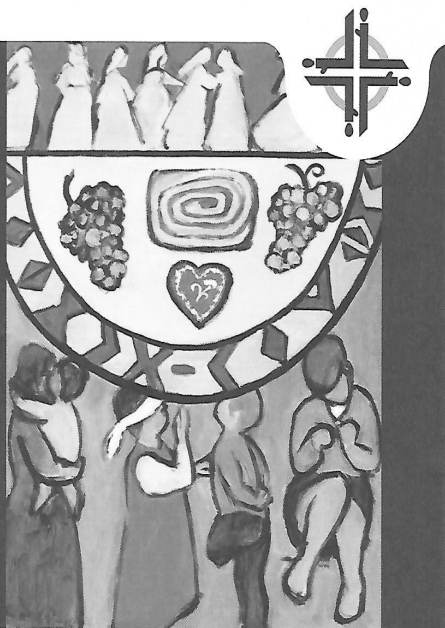
The deadline for March 2019 "The Link" is

Sunday 24th February 2019

World Day of Prayer

Come – Everything is Ready!

PRAYING FOR SLOVENIA
A SERVICE FOR EVERYONE



Friday 1st March 2019

- 10:30am, Cecil Square Baptist
Church, Margate

- 7.00pm, Garlinge Methodist
Church, Garlinge

Thanet Food Link, which is a registered charity supporting those who find themselves without food in Thanet, are currently needing additional volunteers.

Because our work has increased over the years, we have recently moved into a new warehouse, and so more space now gives us the opportunity to take on more volunteers.

Help is particularly needed in the warehouse, which involves putting away donated food and packing food parcels. We have sessions Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in the mornings.

Anyone who is interested in helping with the local food bank, to phone 01843 226832.

Any help would be really appreciated. Love in Christ,

Debbie Ellisdon Thanet Food Link Ltd. Charity No: 1166696

BELLRINGERS WANTED—NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

Want to try a new hobby? If you are aged between 9 and 90 you are welcome to come and join us on a Thursday evening at 7.30pm in the Bell Tower—NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED—tuition given.



Lent Course 2019

The subject this year will be: “When I survey .. Christ’s cross and ours”. It is a York course so will be CD and booklet. It is in 5 parts and there is a cross section of interesting speakers and plenty to chew over.

There are 3 groups being run as follows:

Thursday ‘s at Susan’s from 7-9 p.m. starting on 7 March. Please ring her on 836430 for directions to her home or just turn up

Friday’s at Christ Church URC from 10.30 a.m. – midday starting on 8 March just turn up.

Wednesday’s at Garlinge Methodist Church from 10.30 – midday starting on 13 March just turn up.

The idea of one course, three venues is that if you miss your usual day due to other commitments, you can catch up by attending one of the others.

Heritage Lottery Fund



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Terms of Grant for Clerestory window Rainwater goods restoration project and facilities for the provision of heritage

Following our 8.00am and 10.30am Services today, I expect some of you will be wondering why we are endeavouring to start a new “Friendly Friday” meeting between 10am – 12noon weekly. As we have no Clergy person at present and there was no further need for a Communion Service on Fridays, the Social Activities Group decided to start a new group themselves. As you will have seen on the posters a variety of ideas have already been discussed as possibilities, but we would like you to join us this coming Friday to hear any thoughts you may have for future weeks. This week there will definitely be refreshments and people to talk to so it will be Friendly. Please come and join us.

I expect you will have noticed the title of this report. As you are all aware we were fortunate to be awarded a Heritage Lottery Grant in May this year of up to £142,200.00 (75% of the total eligible project cost of £191,111.00). This grant has saved the Church from closure as the windows **were** dangerous.

However, we need to comply with HLF terms of grant. **We will expect you to open your place of worship for at least 40 days each year outside of the regular hours of worship.** (= 80 half days)

If you are awarded a grant of up to £250,000, the terms of the grant will last from the start of the project until **10 years after project completion.**

Previously on Friday mornings we used to remain open after the Church Service from 11.45am – 1.00pm. but we could only count one hour 15 minutes towards the HLF 80 half days. To fulfill the grant terms we need to account for more hours on Fridays and that is some of the reason for us volunteering to start this Friendly Friday get together. Please come and join us. We look forward to seeing you.

The Heritage Centre also help us to account for these hours when they have a Saturday talk and pop-in days and other activities. Naturally, we are very grateful to them for these additional hours.

So far we have received £71,100 = 50% of grant	Paid Pierra Contractor 20,538.49
56,880 = 40% of grant	15,786.22
When project complete <u>14,220</u> = 10% of grant	33,207.11
£142,200	47,274.88
	<u>13,747.57</u>
	£130,554.27

Accurate figures will be available after audit.

Brenda Carter (Heritage Lottery Fund Contact Person)

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

The church Electoral Roll is to be rewritten at the end of March. There will be announcements made at Church services on Sunday 3rd February and Sunday 10th February and new Electoral Roll Application Forms can be obtained from Valda Electoral Roll Officer, and returned to her by no later than the 30th March in order to get the new Roll written and displayed in the legal requirements. EVERYBODY has to apply again, new members are welcome provided they meet the requirements. Any forms returned after 30th March will be presented to the PCC & then added if they meet the correct criteria at the relevant time. Valda Neve (Hon. Electoral Officer)



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FEBRUARY 2019

FEBRUARY – the shortest month of the year,
when counting the number of days in each month.

The Poem says –

FEBRUARY has 28 days clear

And 29 each “LEAP YEAR”.

This is not a “Leap Year”.

February for me is a month of birthdays.

Two dear friends, a great nephew & my brother.

It is good to leave January –

Long & dismal after Christmas & New Year.

Now in February which can be unreliable weather wise.

But the good thing is the evenings are lighter,

Which makes us feel brighter.

The garden looks bare,

But as you sit & stare you can see shoots on the trees,

Which will grow to become leaves.

The snowdrops appear which brings us good cheer.

The birds are beginning to arrive.

Which makes us all realise Spring is here.

Marie Evans

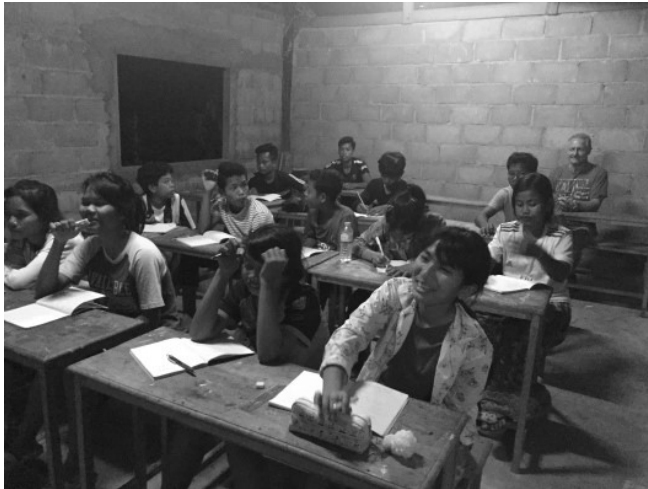
Keep up to date with Elaine and Chris Howes trip tp the Orphanage in Battambang, Cambodia

On their blog elainehowe14.wordpress.com

Items required by the Orphanage are :-

White board markers and erasers, large bulldog clips, Blue Tac

Donations will be gratefully received and can be left in Church.



The children are keen to learn.



The children having fun with a parachute & they learnt a bit of English.



Managed to do a plastic sweep &, then discussed the menace of plastic.

Westgate-on-Sea Heritage Centre

Here we are, already in to the second month of the New Year! Our January talk by Dr Field on the Railway Station at Westgate was a great success with more than 100 attendees. The railway is always a popular subject, as there are so many devotees of what one Victorian writer called the “iron finger” that penetrated every corner of the land and, as we all know, without the railway there would have been no Westgate. Cut off from Margate by the two Garlinge farms belonging to the Governors of the Bethlehem and Bridewell Hospitals, the land that today makes up Westgate would not have been worth developing until the Hospital lands ceased to be farmed and were turned into the Westbrook Estate in the 1920s.

It is good to know that Westgate-on-Sea Town Council is already thinking about celebrating the 150th anniversary of the opening of Westgate’s train station in 2021.

Our February talk by Mrs Jean Cook is based on her memories of the town in the period immediately after the Second World War. She came with her parents in 1945 to live first in Westbury Road and then Wellington Road, as the family home in London had been totally destroyed in an air raid. She attended St Saviour’s School, when the Head Master, Mr Willis, was facing the formidable task of trying to restore the school to “normal” after its evacuation to Staffordshire. At the age of eleven, she transferred to King Ethelbert School, travelling by bus from her Wellington Road home when the fare was 1(old) penny. Her illustrated talk will show what it was like to grow up as a teenager in the Westgate of the 1950s, to start work in Boots the chemist at the age of 15 and to meet Bob, the love of her life, who she married in 1959 at St Saviour’s church.

March sees the AGM and its formalities, as the committee is elected and reports and accounts received. As we look back on the past year, we look forward to this year and all the activities planned. It should be possible, by then, to tell members how we hope to spend the grant from the Co-op Local Community Fund. There will be a short talk on three “donations” we have been given this past year - three intriguing additions to our collections

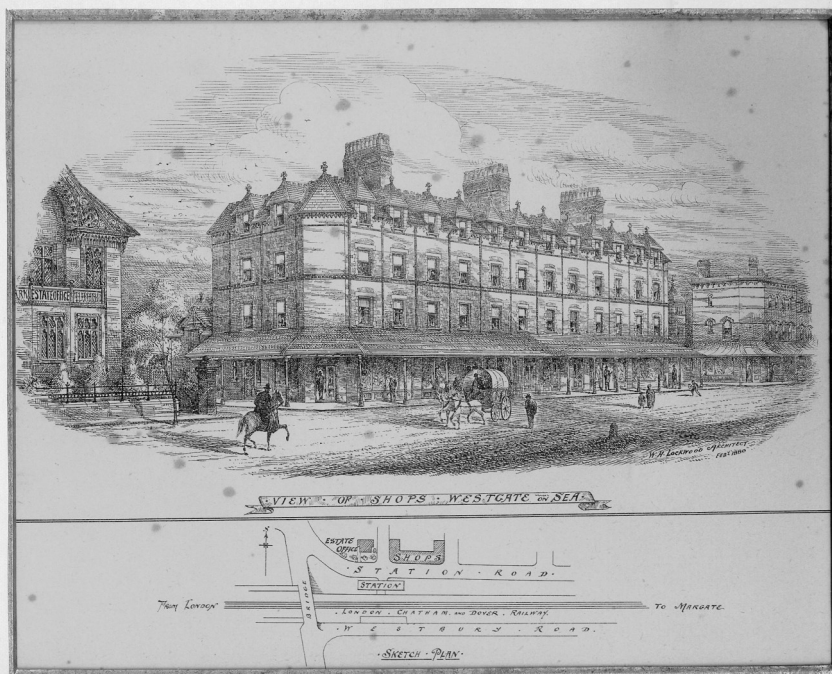
In April there will be another illustrated talk about memories of Westgate. It is so important that these memories are told and recorded, because they describe a world which is changing so rapidly.

Volunteers are sorting out our collection - separated from a lot of it for almost six months, we have almost forgotten what we have! We may need to do some de-cluttering, before we open for the summer season.

We still have a few calendars for sale - they are worth buying just for the photos, if you are interested in old Westgate. Likewise "Westgate-on-Sea in the Great War - Life on the Home Front", available from February at the low price of £3 per copy (subsidised by the Heritage Lottery Fund grant), contains many lovely illustrations of the town before 1914.

We look forward to seeing you. Everyone is welcome to our meetings and the refreshments are good!

Dawn Crouch



One of the gifts received this year—this original architects drawing of Station Road.



WESTGATE-ON-SEA HERITAGE CENTRE



St. Mildred's Road, Westgate-on-Sea

Then and Now **2019** **CALENDAR**

2019 Calendars on sale price £7 each.

If you are interested in purchasing please contact Mrs Christine Attwood, Churchwarden or send a cheque made payable to Westgate-on-Sea Heritage Centre, c/o Town Hall Buildings, 31 St Mildred's Road, Westgate on Sea CT8 8RE. Please add on postage £1.40 First Class or £1.26 Second Class.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Bellringers Practice every Thursday 7.30 to 9pm.

Bible Study Group meet Thursday at 7pm, details & inquiries ring

Susan 836430 . **NO BIBLE STUDY 14TH AND 21ST FEBRUARY**

The Westgate Heritage Centre

10am to 12 noon on the First Saturday of the month at 10.30am TALK

Refreshments available.

Saturday 2nd February 10.30am Talk “My memories of Westgate over the years” by Jean Cook

Saturday 2nd March 10.30am **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Followed by a short talk by Dr Dawn Crouch about items donated to Heritage Centre.

Church Cleaning 9am to 10am on the 1st Friday of the month.

The Friends of St Saviour’s Church - Annual Membership Fee only £2

New members welcome. Join the Friends of St Saviour’s church Subscription only £2 per year . All monies raised go towards the upkeep of the church and grounds. Membership forms at the back of the church or ring

Christine Attwood Tel 833314 email cattwood2002@yahoo.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIENDLY FRIDAYS 10am to 12 noon every Friday ALL WELCOME.



CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday Services

8am Said Eucharist Book of Common Prayer

10.30am Sung Eucharist

10.30am First Sunday of the month FAMILY SERVICE

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1st Westgate Rainbows

Fridays 4.15 to 5.15pm

8th Westgate Brownies

Fridays 5.30 to 7pm

Both held at the Community Centre, Westgate.

JOIN THE



ADVENTURE....

Come along and try 1st Westgate-On-Sea

Scout Group for Boys and Girls

Where: The Billabong,
St. Crispins Road
Westgate-On-Sea CT8 8EB

When: Beavers: Tuesday 5:15pm—6:30pm
Cubs: Tuesday 6:45pm—8:15pm
Scouts: Thursday 7:00pm—9:00pm

Ages: Beavers: 5 3/4—8 years
Cubs: 8—10 1/2 years
Scouts: 10 1/2— 14 years

Contact: 1st Westgate-On-Sea Scout Group
Email: 1stwestgatescoutgroup@gmail.com



Girlguiding



1st Westgate Rainbows

For Girls aged 5 to 7 years

Meet Fridays in term time

4.15 to 5.15pm

Westgate Community Centre

**STARTING A NEW PROGRAMME THIS YEAR WITH LOTS OF
EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES**

**APPLY HERE : [https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-
for-parents/register-your-daughter/](https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/)**

Any queries: westgaterainbows@outlook.com





Caring for an elderly relative or neighbour?

Do you need a break... or do they?

Respite care for the elderly available at...

Yoakley House

Drapers Close, Margate

Kent CT9 4AH

For details or to arrange a visit:

Tel: **01843 223652**

Email: **admin@yoakleycare.co.uk**

www.yoakleycare.co.uk

TALKTIME at Westgate Library

Your Westgate Library is the venue for Talktime – a social group for older people.

We are an informal friendly group who like to chat about our interests and learn about new things; for example we recently had a visit from Isaac who spoke with us all about the Ramsgate Tunnels. We have had wonderful discussions with the ancestor of Powell-Cotton about Quex Park in Birchington. All kinds of informative guests have come to talk about Fire Safety, Better Balance and local history.

Talktime is a free event every 2nd Monday of the Month 2- 3pm. Come for a cuppa and conversation!

Westgate Library – Home Library Service

Bringing the Library to you. We can provide books, including Large Print and talking books free of charge.

A FREE service where items are delivered and collected by our wonderful volunteers who have all passed a DBS check.

Many people benefit from joining the Home Library Service; some of our customers find it difficult to leave their homes because they are caring for another family member. Some customers are elderly or suffer with ill health while others may need our service temporarily like new parents or after an operation.

Please contact Westgate Library via 03000 413131 or email westgatelibrary@kent.gov.uk if you would like to find out more about our FREE Home Library Service. Our friendly and helpful staff will be delighted to hear from you. Westgate Library, Minster Road, CT8 8BP

Service for NHS Hearing Aid users

There will be a weekly Hi Kent Clinic held at Westgate Surgery -

every Monday 2-3pm - for hearing aid batteries, tubes and free advice.

Donations of food needed for the Thanet Foodbank, please support our local foodbank.

Thank you, Ann Lawrence

**DONATE
FOOD
HERE**



St Saviour's Church, Westgate

FAMILY SERVICE

SUNDAY 3rd MARCH

10.30am



Scripture Union Minnis Bay
29th July to 9th August 2019
Intercessions

You may have your own programme but for those who don't may I suggest the following:-

Everyday. Thank God for his blessings on last year's mission and the missions that went before it. Pray for good weather throughout the fortnight, for the safety and health of the team, the children and all who will attend, that there will be adequate, suitable accommodation for the team members and pray for their hosts. Remember especially Avtar and the organisers that God will bless their labours. Pray for the preparations for the 125th anniversary and for the next planning meeting on 1st June. Pray for Hannah the [Youth and Communities Worker](#) at *Birchington Baptist Church* and Sam Youth and Communities Worker at *Christ Church, Westgate* as they work together in local schools. Please pray for *the Loft, Messy Church, Yo Yos, Hangout, and the local Junior Churches / Sunday Schools in the area.*

Sunday Pray for the team members in their day to day lives, the churches they attend, their families and the work they are called to do in their home communities. Pray for the churches in Thanet and their witness to Christ.

Monday Pray for the families of the very young children who will attend *TIDDLERS*. For all who will attend *the Café* and those who will be serving coffee, tea, providing cakes and talking to those who have little connection with the church. Pray for the team members who feel God may not be calling them to return in 2019, that they may receive guidance in whatever they are called to do. Locally pray for the Anglican Churches.

Tuesday Pray for the children and their families who will attend *TWIGS*. For the leaders who will be responsible for the young children. Pray for those who are considering joining the team for the first time, for guidance in the selection process. Locally pray for the Roman Catholic Churches

Wednesday Pray for the children who will be attending *TRAMPS* for the leaders responsible for making the Gospel come alive to them. Pray for the team members who will be returning and thank God for their dedication. Pray they may especially guide and assist the new team members. Locally pray for the Baptist Churches.

Thursday Pray for those who will attend and lead the *TROGS* for wisdom, understanding and the means to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Pray for the team members travelling great distances as they spend a whole year raising the funds for their trip. Thank God for their dedication. Locally pray for the Methodist Churches.

Friday Pray for those who will attend *SUPER TROGS*, those who lead them and for the various ventures and outings planned.

That there will be a rich harvest of new leaders coming through. Pray for all local team members in their witness within the churches of Thanet throughout the year. Locally pray for the URC Churches.

Saturday Pray for the various groups and ventures that will seek to continue the work started by the Mission. Pray for other Missions throughout the country planned this year in Abersoch, Aberystwyth, Byker, Criccieth, Cromer, Felpham, Hexham, Kidlington, Marske, Nefyn, Perranporth, Polzeath, Port St Mary, Southwold, Sutton on Sea and others. Thank God for the legacy of the team members of bygone years and pray for them in their work for the Gospel wherever they are now.

A Prayer

Almighty God, we ask you to bless the Scripture Union Missions throughout the land planned for 2019. Especially we pray for the mission in Minnis Bay. Go before the local churches and the team in all the preparations calling out faithful leaders and helpers and supplying all the needs. Help us all to make sense of the Gospel and to relate to the needs of all who will attend so that many will be drawn to our Saviour's love. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



22nd July to 5th August

**Minnis Bay
Holiday Club**

BEDS WANTED!

Once again about 60 mainly young SU volunteers will arrive to work for two weeks with our children, joining the many local SU team members sharing God's love using church halls in Birchington for this holiday club. Last year some 600 children attended over the fortnight.

This year I am making an early plea for home accommodation for them. Just beds are needed—they have all their meals, including breakfast, at the halls.

If you might be able to help (even for one of the two weeks) please let me know. Ring or email me for more information

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TRASH & TREASURE SALE



**SATURDAY
16th February
2019**



9.30am - 12 noon

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