

Saturdays:

Tunbridge Wells Deanery

For Rich Thomas, Area Dean, for God's blessings on all churches and communities in the deanery and especially for those in vacancy: St. Laurence, Bidborough and St. Peter, Southborough; also Christ Church, Southborough when Nick becomes Archdeacon; Speldhurst with Groombridge and Ashurst and Langton Green.

Saturday, 8th It's Your Calling Day at St. Benedict's Centre, West Malling



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The Diocesan Fellowship of Prayers *Archdeaconry of Tonbridge* *February 2025*

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up" Luke 18:1

Sundays:

2nd Candlemas Pray that we may be faithful like Simeon and Anna who didn't give up hope of God's promises being fulfilled.

We give thanks for the peace deal between Israel and Hamas and pray that all aid will get through swiftly and safely to Gaza and all those who need it; that hostages will be released. Continue to pray for Ukraine, Syria and all countries in conflict.



We pray for the Prime Minister, Government and our local governments that they may know God's wisdom in all they do.

23rd Service of Collation, Installation and Welcome for Archdeacon of Rochester, Sandra McCalla, and Archdeacon of Tonbridge, Nick Cornell, at Rochester Cathedral.

Give grateful thanks for the Ven. Mike Lodge's work as Interim Archdeacon during the vacancy.

Mondays:

We pray for Bishop Jonathan and his wife, Toni, and Bishop Simon and his wife, Julia, in her role as Anna Chaplaincy Lead.

For Justin Welby for healing as he adjusts to his new life and for all his family.

Pray for those involved in selecting and appointing his successor. As we look towards forthcoming APCMs, we pray for people to consider whether God is calling them to become church wardens and serve on PCCs.

Malling Deanery

For Danielle Pearson Smith, Area Dean of Malling

For the vacancy in the Kent Downs and Malling Team and for God's enabling of all those serving the congregations in the meantime.

Pray for Mandy Holloway, new Warden of Lay Ministry, and for all lay ministers.



Tuesdays:

Monday 10th -Friday, 14th General Synod meets. Items include "From Lament to Action" re racial justice and also matters to do with safeguarding. Please pray!

For **Community Engagement and Social Action Team (CESAT)** as they encourage Welcome Community Cafes and help those looking after refugees and asylum seekers.

For all who need to use food banks and those who administer them, that there will be enough to cater for those who need them; for all who struggle to cope financially, emotionally and spiritually

Kings Hill Development

For God's blessing on all those involved in building and equipping St. Gabriel's

Paddock Wood Deanery

For Andrew Axon, Area Dean, and for God's blessings on all congregations and communities in the deanery.

For Horsmonden in vacancy, for all church officers and congregation as they seek God's will for their parish.

For all staff and patients at Hospice in the Weald, Pembury, and for Chaplain, Claire Wells.

For all who have experienced the death of a loved one recently, that they may know God's everlasting arms supporting and comforting them.

For staff and students at Kent College and their Chaplain, Katie Osweiler



Wednesdays:

Sevenoaks Deanery

For Tim Edwards, Area Dean, and for all congregations and communities in the deanery.

For Crockham Hill and Westerham in vacancy.

St. Nicholas asks for prayer for their Retired Men's Lunch on the 7th with Richard Hagan; for Restored Lives course for those facing relationship breakdown on Thursdays; Toolbox seminars at 6.45 pm on Sundays, 23rd and 2nd and 9th March, following shortened evening service.



Thursdays:

Shoreham Deanery

For Chris Noble, Area Dean and for all churches and communities in the deanery, especially the following in vacancy: Ightham and Wrotham; Kemsing and Woodlands; Otford; Shoreham. Please pray for all care and nursing homes in our Archdeaconry, for all patients and staff, for grace and for strength especially when tired and short-staffed.

Fridays:

Tonbridge Deanery

For Lisa Cornell, Area Dean, and for all churches in the deanery.

Pray for SS Peter and Paul, Edenbridge in vacancy, giving thanks for all taking on extra roles to maintain the life of the church.

St. John's Hildenborough would appreciate prayer for their Vicar, Tim Saiat; for a church warden; that the children who come to church may enjoy getting to know Jesus; give thanks for the flower team who decorated the church so beautifully for Christmas

Pray for more help with older children's work and for younger singers to join the choir.