



Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024 – All Saints / All Souls

### This Week's Services & Events

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b> <i>All Saints</i>	<b>8am BCP Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Ash</b>
	<b>9am Service of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Ridley</b>
	<b>10am Morning Worship</b>	<b>Ash</b>
	<i>Zoom link available to join this service – see email</i>	
<b>All Souls</b>	<b>9am Holy Communion</b>	<b>All Saints Hartley</b>
	<b>10.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>St Mary Magdalene Longfield</b>
	<b>3pm Remembering with Love</b>	<b>Ash</b>
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>2.30pm – 4.30pm Chat &amp; Craft</b>	<b>Fawkham &amp; Hartley Church Centre</b>
	<i>Bring a craft or hobby &amp; join together for a chat and refreshments</i>	
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9am Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Ash</b>
	<b>10.30am Bible Study Group</b>	<b>Zoom</b>
	<i>Please contact Susan Heads for more info/link (susan@rnwkgroup.org.uk)</i>	
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>10am Service of Holy Communion</b>	<b>All Saints Hartley</b>
	<b>10.15 – 11.45am Coffee &amp; Chat</b>	<b>St Mary Magdalene Longfield</b>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9am Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Ash</b>
	<b>10.15am Ash Saplings</b>	<b>Ash</b>
	<b>10am Pop In</b>	<b>Fawkham &amp; Hartley Church Centre</b>
	<b>2pm – 4.30pm The Space</b>	<b>Youth &amp; Community Centre, NAG</b>
	<i>Free and welcome to all refreshments, chat, games, or some peace!</i>	
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>9am Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Ridley</b>

### Sunday's Readings & Prayers

#### **Collect**

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our  
Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly  
love you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

#### **New Testament reading:**

**Revelation 21:1-6a** Then I saw a new heaven  
and a new earth; for the first heaven and the

first earth had passed away, and the sea was  
no more. And I saw the holy city, the new  
Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from  
God, prepared as a bride adorned for her  
husband. And I heard a loud voice from the  
throne saying,  
'See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.'  
And the one who was seated on the throne  
said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he  
said, 'Write this, for these words are  
trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It  
is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the  
beginning and the end.

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### ***Gospel reading: John 11:32-44***

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

### ***Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life***

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

***Other readings: Isaiah 25:6-9 & Psalm 24:1-6***

### ***Post Communion prayer***

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:  
may we who have shared at this table  
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth  
be welcomed with all your saints  
to the heavenly feast on the day of your  
kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### ***Parish Safeguarding Vacancies***

We remain without a PSO or lead recruiter for Ash and Ridley. This is a vital role in the life of our church and we are not properly equipped for our mission and ministry without one. The Parish Safeguarding Officer is the key link between the diocese and the parish/s, concerning safeguarding matters. They have an overview of all church activities involving children, young people and vulnerable adults, and will seek to ensure the implementation of safeguarding policy. The role can be taken by one person or shared, for example with one person covering children the other, for vulnerable adults.

The lead recruiter looks after the administration of DBS checks.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will stir up the right person for these roles – ***if that might be you and you would like more information please drop me an email or speak with Rhian.***

### ***Two New Archdeacons***

Bishop Jonathan announced this week the appointment of two new Archdeacons for the Diocese of Rochester. The Revd Preb Sandra McCalla is to be Archdeacon of Rochester and The Revd Nick Cornell is to be Archdeacon of Tonbridge. If you would like to know more about them please take a look of the following link:

<https://www.rochester.anglican.org/news/two-new-archdeacons-for-the-diocese-of-rochester.php>

### ***Remembering with Love***

***Today at 3pm in Ash Church.***

You will find a sheet to record the names of those you would like to have remembered during the service at the back of the church and on the Blaise altar.

Please do let others, who you feel may find this special, peaceful service helpful, know about the service.

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### **Remembrance Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> November**

There will be a change to our Remembrance Sunday service this year.

I am pleased that we will be joined by the local Scouting groups again this year and the service will be a service of the word rather than holy communion. We will follow the Scouts to the war memorial for the Act of Remembrance and 2 minute silence. We will have enough cars I am sure for those with mobility issues to be taken in a car and chairs will be available for those who need to sit. Refreshments will be in church will after the service.

There will be an **8am service of holy communion** that day and at **7pm Reflections on Remembrance**, a time for song, poetry, prose or any other medium on the broader theme of remembering and peace.

### **Funeral Service for George Mills**

George's funeral service will be in **Ash church on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 1pm**, followed by refreshments in Ash Village Hall. Joan would like donations to go to Ash Church. Please continue to hold Joan in your prayers at this sad time.

### **Shanty Night**

A fun night is sure to be had by all as **Joe, Dazzle and the Crew** will be entertaining us at a Shanty Night in **Ash Village Hall on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.45pm**. Tickets available in advance £10. For more details see *attached poster*.

### **Next Sunday's Readings**

**Hebrews 9:24-end/Mark 1:14-20**

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