

Maidstone Deanery Prayers for April, 2022

Thank you for your continued prayers for the churches and people of our deanery.

This month, we pray for the whole Deanery, taken from the Chapter meeting in April:-



Prayers for:

Deanery Synod: Thursday 6 April 2022:

We give thanks to God for our Synod as we welcome Bishop Rose. We pray that the proceedings will be positive and life-giving and that each church community will feel affirmed and appreciated as a new way forward is being discerned.

St. Faith's Church: Please pray for the congregation of St Faith's. After many years, they are now preparing to leave their church building on Easter Sunday. Please pray also for the future of the church in Ringlestone as the new building is being built.

St. Martin's Church: The meals initiative, Grab and Go, continues and the community gives thanks to God for continued funding from a range of organizations. Prayer is requested for a second Warden to support Keith and for the 3 individuals who are discerning a call to ordained ministry. Finally, may Holy Week and Easter worship services go well with Lay ministers leading in a variety of ways.

St Michaels and All Angels: After a stained glass window was damaged, please pray that those who have suffered anxiety because of this will find God's peace. Please also pray for the repairs to be handled effectively. A new book has been written by Elizabeth Bryson called 'Mary's Titles.' We trust this will be a blessing to all who read it. A search has now begun for an Air Training Corps chaplain 40F Maidstone ATC. The current Chaplain, Fr Neil retires in July and so we request prayer on who might take on this role.

All Saints Loose: We give thanks for the mission launched by Archbishop Justin, 'Passion for Life' and for the speaker Rory Stein (bodyguard to Nelson Mandela). Please pray that the words spoken by both will touch the hearts of those who were present at these events.

St Paul's: We trust Anthea will be back to her normal self soon. Please pray for her as she continues to serve the people in the church and in her workplace.

Open air worship on Easter Sunday afternoon Prayer is requested for the Easter Celebration Event, 4-6pm, Easter Sunday Afternoon Sunday 17th April @ the Hermitage Millennium Amphitheatre (on the River opposite Lockmeadow). We pray this will be well-attended and that Christ will become known through the music, testimonies and sharing of his good news.

