

NEWS SHEET FOR THE PARISH OF MURSTON, BAPCHILD & TONGE



<p>Sunday 7th June 1st Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Genesis 12:1-9 Psalm 33:1-12 Romans 4:13-end Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26</p>	<p>Collect for 1st Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. Amen</p>	<p>10 am St Laurence Bapchild Family Worship with Revd Simon & ALM Jo</p>
<p>Sunday 14th June 2nd Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Genesis 18:1-15 Psalm 116:1, 10-17 Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8</p>	<p>Collect for 2nd Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen</p>	<p>10 am St Laurence Bapchild Morning Prayer with Revd Simon</p>
<p>Sunday 21st June 3rd Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Genesis 21:8-21 Psalm 86:1-10, 16-end Romans 6:1-11 Matthew 10:24-39</p>	<p>Collect for 3rd Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by you Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen</p>	<p>10 am St Laurence Bapchild Family Holy Communion with Revd Simon</p>
<p>Sunday 28th June 4th Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13 Romans 6:12-end Matthew 10:40-end</p>	<p>Collect for 4th Sunday of Trinity</p> <p>Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world; draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen</p>	<p>10 am St Laurence Bapchild Morning Prayer with Revd Tracy</p>

Service details can also be found on www.achurchnearyou.com



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WHAT'S GOING ON?

Wed 3 rd June	Deanery Synod (open meeting)	7 for 7.30 pm	Bobbing Church
Fri 5 th June	The Hub – Youth Group	6 pm – 7.30 pm	Bapchild School
Sat 6 th June	Prayer Meeting	9.30 am	All Saints Murston
Tues 9 th June	Bible Study Group	7 – 8 pm	All Saints Murston
Tues 16 th June	Bible Study Group	7 – 8 pm	All Saints Murston
Fri 19 th June	The Hub – Youth Group	6 pm – 7.30 pm	Bapchild School
Sat 20 th June	Bapchild Coffee Morning	10 am – 12 pm	St Laurence Bapchild
Tues 23 rd June	PCC Meeting	7.30 pm	All Saints Murston
Sat 4 th July	Prayer Meeting	9.30 am	St Laurence Bapchild
Sat 4 th July	Ordination Service	2.30 pm	Canterbury Cathedral

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will meet on Tuesday's at 7 pm in the Grace Sorrell room at All Saints Church, Murston. New people are always welcome to join us, you don't have to attend every week, just pop by when you can. For more information, please speak to Revd Simon or a Church Warden.

COFFEE MORNINGS AT ST LAURENCE

Join us on Saturday 20th June 10 am till 12 noon

Held monthly, on the third Saturday of the month. Come to enjoy a friendly chat, tea/coffee and cake plus browse the bric-a-brac or try your luck at the raffle. If you're a keen baker, why not bring along something for us to sell. All donations go towards the upkeep of our Church, and it's work in the community.



It's a lovely couple of hours, great for all ages. Bring a friend and have a catch up, it's a space where all the community are welcome. An opportunity to quiz the Vicar, Church Wardens or other Lay Ministers or find out more about Baptisms, Weddings, Confirmation, Bible Study or any of our church activities.



Last month we raised money for Christian Aid – thank you to everyone who donated at the coffee morning and via the envelopes.

NEWS TO SHARE – A NEW BENEFICE

From 1st June we are now part of a new Benefice! Officially we are, the **Benefice of St Michael, with Murston, Bapchild and Tonge**. The previous Benefice with Holy Trinity, Milton Regis has been dissolved. This is part of the re-organisation taking place within the Sittingbourne Deanery.

What does this mean to us? No immediate change, Revd Simon & Revd Tracy will continue to lead our Parish. A new incumbent will be appointed to cover the Benefice and work alongside us. The timing is in Gods hands... please see the next page for a prayer suggestion.

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

A Prayer for Leading our Churches into Growth

God of Mission
Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give
Vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions,
Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen



Leading your Church into Growth

Please continue to use this prayer. We were using it in 2025 and have seen growth in our church numbers. Let us continue to grow our church community and discern God's will for us here, in this place.

Do you feel God is saying something to you? Join us for our **Monthly Prayer Meetings** as we intentionally pray for God to make his will known to us. Our next prayer meeting is on **Saturday 6th June** at All Saints Church, Murston.

PRAYING FOR OUR NEW INCUMBENT

We are asked to continue praying for the appointment of a new incumbent.

The Parish Profile for the Benefice of St Michael with Murston, Bapchild and Tonge has been prepared. A Parish Profile is rather like a job description: it describes who we are as a benefice, what is important to us, and the many activities that take place across our churches. It outlines our worship, ministry, community life, and the events and services that help shape our shared faith.

As this process moves forward, we pray that God is already at work in the heart of the person He is calling to serve among us. We pray for the priest whom God is preparing to minister alongside Revd Simon, Revd Tracy, and the people of our benefice. We also pray for their family and loved ones, who will share in this calling.

Above all, we place our trust in God, confident that He will lead the right person—and, if it is His will, their family—to join us here, so that together we may continue His work in this place.

Heavenly Father,

We thank You for Your faithfulness to Your Church and for Your loving care for our benefice.

As we seek a new incumbent, guide those involved in the appointment process with wisdom, discernment, and grace. Prepare the heart of the priest whom You are calling to serve among us and bless their family as they seek Your will for the future.

Help us to be patient, prayerful, and trusting in Your purposes. Unite us in faith and hope, and lead us forward in Your service, so that together we may proclaim Your love and serve our community in the name of Christ.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." - Galatians 5:22-23

GIVING TO OUR CHURCHES

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7



Want to make a one-off donation to our churches or set up a regular donation?

These QR codes will take you to the relevant Parish Giving Page.



ONE-OFF DONATION

Scan the QR code to make a one-off donation.



REGULAR DONATION

Scan the QR code to set up a regular donation.



Here you can set up a regular donation via Direct Debit. This can be increased, decreased or even cancelled by you at any time. The advantage of this scheme is that if you are a tax payer, the Church can claim through **Gift Aid** an additional 25% of your donation.



Alternatively, contact our Treasurers, **Barbara Verga** (Bapchild) or **Phil Bromwich** (Murston).

Thank you for your generosity 



St Laurence Bapchild



All Saints Murston



OPEN INVITATION

Your notes/reminders:

If you have a contribution or a prayer request that you'd like to be included in our Parish Pew Sheet, please pass it on via a Church Warden or to Jo Apps.



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 **SUNDAY 19th JULY 2026**

 **10.00 AM**





Light refreshments will be served after the service.

All welcome