

*The Parish Magazine
of St Stephen's Church
Guernsey*



February 2025

Hello all.

Congratulations we did it again; we managed to make it through January! After a wonderful and magical Christmas and Epiphany, we have now reached Candlemas and the knowledge that spring and the joys of Easter are on their way. Of course we have Lent first but, as I always say, if there are no rainbows without rain then equally there is no Easter without Lent! So much to look forward to and be happy about.



Now I don't want you to think that I am being flippant when there is so much to worry us. The world is a scary place at the moment, full of terror, injustice and inequality and it is so easy to feel powerless, but my opinion, for what it's worth, has always been that every decent and honourable household is a brick in the wall that keeps evil out, as indeed are all the individuals who live with love, kindness to others and integrity as their watchwords. We have just marked the 80th anniversary of, the liberation from, what is arguably, one of the worst evils in the history of mankind but there is also something that we can do about that; which is, of course, to honour the generation that lived through it (and who are now sadly dying out) by making sure that we keep telling future generations all about it.

We should never feel guilty for enjoying our freedom or for living happy lives, for it is our duty to celebrate peace and joy wherever it exists!

So have a happy month everybody and treasure what we have. We are so very, very lucky!

My love to you all as always.
Nikki

**All contributions for the March magazine
will be gratefully received!!**

Copy deadline will be Friday 21st February 2025

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The Season of Lurve



Some people have described the month of February as the month of Love (or Lurve as I heard on the radio a few years ago). This is largely due to Valentine's Day falling in the middle of the month. (Valentine was a Christian cleric martyred in Rome in 269AD).

At St Stephen's we are surrounded by so many examples of God's great love for us. Perhaps the most powerful is found in the rood screen which stands above the entrance to the sanctuary... Christ on the Cross of Calvary. This is a reminder to us that we should be celebrating Love not only in February but in every moment of every day throughout the year. Jesus expressed this in the most powerful way when, in the Gospel according to St John, He said, "**For God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.**" (3:16). We are reminded that it is God who initiates this; when we encounter His love we are faced with a challenge - how do we respond?

With that thought bouncing around my brain, I meandered down the avenue of those we love and those who have loved us. I was reminded of a question posed many years ago, "*Who taught you how to love? Was it Jesus?*" In my impetuous youth I remember answering that with unwavering promptness and over the years I have come to reflect on how many precious people I have known who have each added to His teaching, and on those who currently still do. My heartfelt thanks go out to all who have given me a glimpse into the heart of God in so many ways throughout my life.

Love by its very definition is a multi-layered emotion. C.S. Lewis wrote a book called *The Four Loves* which I can easily recommend for those who might want to explore the topic more deeply. Jesus summed up the whole Law of Moses by quoting two phrases: Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18. In the face of these two commandments, everything else in life falls into place, or falls apart as we ignore them at our peril. Sadly our human history has too many instances where we have loved other things (like power, status, money, etc.) rather than other people. As for our response to love God...

Saints like Valentine were not people who were exceptionally gifted or had attributes that society would recognise as being worthy of praise. We can often fall into the mistake of thinking we can't follow them in the way they lived because they were so holy. They were ordinary humans, like you and I, but they had grappled with their choices in life and decided to seek the greater joy found in service of God. We too can follow their example when we reflect on our own choices and our understanding of how much God loves us.

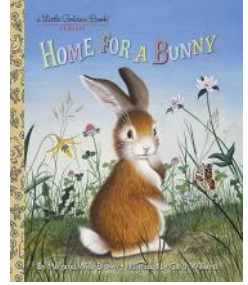
Here at St Stephen's we are so blessed to have many who go the extra mile to help and assist, often without seeking any recognition. There is a desperate need for people like this in our world, the unsung heroes and heroines who do small random acts of love on a daily basis to further God's kingdom. May we all seek to follow their example as we continue our journey of discovering the Heart of God in our lives.

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your love and faithfulness as we go into the year ahead. May people be drawn into regular worship at St Stephen's through our service and witness and may St Stephen's be a bright light of hope and love, always.

Know of my love and prayers for you all. God bless. Fr Joe

WITH LOVE AND THANKS

One of my favourite childhood stories is “Home for a Bunny” about the sweetest bunny trying to find a home of his own, asking all the woodland folk he met as he hopped along the road, and wondering about living in nests up in trees, in bogs down below, or under logs in water, until he met another bunny and that is where he found the perfect home for a bunny. When leaving South Africa, many wondered about “home” for us and how we would transition things for our family, as moving to Guernsey isn’t just a hop down the road.



It has now been over a year for Joe, a year for Erin and almost a year for me. Our James, who remains at university in South Africa, has visited us three times for two winter holidays and a summer break. What has made it all possible for us, has been the community of St Stephen’s who have welcomed us, embraced us, and understood us. Many are aware of the obstacles, the time frames and the things that have slowly fallen into place for each one of us on our journey made in faith. God’s hand at work in our lives is evident in the love and kindness we receive from those around us. There are so many examples of your daily care of us and the joy that fills our lives – from weekly choir practices, “coffee cake and chat” mornings, and Sunday services - to the individual experiences of drives around the island sharing magnificent coast lines; the offer to accompany me for one of my first drives in the car when Joe was busy to ensure that I could navigate to fetch Erin; picking flowers together in the church garden for the reading nook; gifts of spare electronic devices to make our lives easier and a desk for a work space for me at home; the swims in the sea at exactly the right time and place to enjoy the best swims; gifts of flowers and plants to grow in the Vicarage garden; the invitations for lunch tasting wonderful freshly caught fish soup, dinners of many delights, teas with lemon drizzle cake and afternoon tea with delicious orange and chocolate cake; walks around gardens together to share beautiful flowers, and pondering over ponds to find tadpoles and young frogs; delights in wild flowers and different flowers at different times of the year; visiting farms and contemplative walks in a labyrinth of wild grasses; the offer to pick fruit from bountiful trees then making and sharing of jams and chutneys; the loving gift of a soft toy bunny to snuggle; the chatting on drives to and from Friendship Lunches; the adventures at night (with handheld lanterns) to very dark Torteval for stargazing; the sharing of spotting the Northern Lights; watching sport together on the telly and at Footes Lane; chats in and out of church with those doing so much behind the scenes as they go about their work be it with candles, or polishing, or sacristy duties, or cleaning, or gardening and mowing; philosophical chats before services while robing in the vestry; the receiving of beautiful stories from those in need when visiting and sharing well-loved books to read; getting to know one another over breakfast at the Roquettes; Irish music evenings on Thursday nights; enjoying funny stories of days gone by and encouraging new experiences in the days ahead; and so many more.



And so, as we continue our journey in faith, identifying work opportunities for me, supporting our James at university and remotely caring for our loved ones in South Africa, we have established just the right home for us, within a community that is our family of St Stephen's.

With my love, my deep gratitude for you all, and my daily prayers, Aileen

"⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you." PHILIPPIANS 4:8-9

Really Reliable Recipe

From Andrea

GLUTEN FREE BANANA BREAD

Ingredients

5 small ripe bananas
(4 mashed, 1 sliced down the middle to decorate the top) 150g gluten-free self-raising flour
100g gluten-free oats
50g ground almonds
1 tsp gluten-free baking powder
1 tsp cinnamon
90g dark brown sugar
90g caster sugar
100g butter (melted)
2 large eggs beaten
1 tbsp icing sugar

Method

Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4 and line a 900g loaf tin with parchment paper (our tin was 19 x 9 x 6cm). Put all the ingredients, except the sliced banana, 1 tbsp caster sugar and the icing sugar, into a large bowl and stir until smooth and combined.

Pour into the tin and put the two remaining banana halves cut-side up across the top of the batter, pressing down slightly. Sprinkle over the caster sugar. Bake for 1hr-1hr 15 mins until a skewer comes out clean, covering with foil towards the end of cooking if it browns too much

Dust with icing sugar and leave to cool..



NERD CORNER



Part 8

How exciting a new year and endless possibilities for us Nerdlettes to investigate further exciting projects.. .So, lets gird our loins and take our first tentative step into Nerdsville (Pop.2) in 2025

Picture the scene, the black ink is used the most for our weekly bulletin. (From previous Nerds Corner I'm sure you have all remembered that we use about 10ml per week of black as oppose to 1ml for the coloured ink) There are two sizes of black ink cartridge that can be used in my printer. The smaller standard black one would have to be refilled every week, the large more industrial sized cartridge lasts about 3-4 bulletin runs together with any printing I do for the choir. Every refill of a cartridge comes with risks...I might have been born with opposable thumbs and the brain of a human but have the manual dexterity of a toilet brush and the clumsiness of Frank Spencer meaning that transferring ink from a bottle into a cartridge via small previously drilled hole using a syringe can prove messy. (Just ask my carpet) So I have system whereby I have a 'cartridge filling' sesh, filling several large black cartridges that can be swapped about when required thereby reducing the opportunity for spillages into fewer sessions.

Where did all these cartridges come from? Well lets go hand in hand into the Nerds Nirvana, all Hail the wonder and joy of Ebay (sounds of heavenly music should be now be playing). You would be surprised what the nerd can source via this worldwide source. The silicone gusset, CISS systems and yes, my little trainee nerds (nerdlettes)... 'used ink cartridges'!! It was from this heavenly source that I ordered a box of 55 used ink cartridges, it was like all my birthday and Christmases had come at once. My heart filled with joy and leapt like a lamb when the postman finally arrived with a shoe box filled to the brim with a combination of coloured and black cartridges (both sizes I might add) for my printer.

So picture the scene whilst other adults cosy up in-front of the telly knitting, crocheting or creating a wonderful piece of embroidery, I'm nerdling away drilling holes in ink cartridges and preparing them for their fulfilling career in providing the congregation of St Stephens' with their weekly bulletins.

Till next time my little nerd-lettes!!

ST STEPHENS
PLAYERS

Bar

Tuck Shop



ROCK & ROLL
BINGO
NIGHT

SATURDAY 15TH MARCH 2025

£15PP ~ INCLUDES FOOD AND BINGO CARDS

RAFFLE AT HALF TIME

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30. EYES DOWN AT 7PM

Throughout my childhood books have given me comfort. When I needed an escape from the world and its sorrows books showed me alternative ways of living. This encouraged me to see other perspectives and ways of being that were not to be found in the world of my experience.

The bible was only absorbed by me in snippets on Holy days and in Sunday school. Somewhere I came across religious accounts of Joan of Arc. I found a heroine I could applaud and wonder at, to this day. How amazing to read of Joan breaking through the barriers to action which were erected against women. What appealed to me about these stories was that after reading about only male heroes and being told by my mother that I could never be a vicar as I had hoped; because I was a girl, how wonderful to come across the farmer's daughter who, guided by her visions, rolled up her sleeves and got on with it. Eventually she was taken seriously. She was listened to as she recounted her visions to sceptical men in very high places as France was torn apart by warfare. After much persistence Joan was given a horse and armour and followed by knights who believed in her courage and her visions. Joan's success in battle was short lived, but even today she resonates and binds together the French people.

Joan was not my first guiding star. I read about Mowgli before cartoons were invented and yearned to live with the wolves; joyfully escaping school with all its confinements; the airless rooms, the bullying, the boredom. How wonderful to swing from vines, dive into lakes and speak to the animals in their language; accepted in the jungle and wilderness, sharing the waters with all who gathered after the rains came. I learned that: "The strength of the pack is the wolf. The strength of the wolf is the pack." Growing up I felt that I was in my true life when under canvas; hiking; sleeping beneath the stars, guided through forest at night using the constellations for direction, following the caminos across Europe to Santiago de Compostelo. Always the appeal of the pilgrimage and living close to nature.

The last in my list of heroes has to be Alice. When in Wonderland, Alice gamely confronted strange, and often bossy, unpleasant beings who defending their territory while lecturing her with misinformation, failing to be of any practical use.

How the real Alice, the vicar's daughter, must have wondered, as children do, what nonsense grown-ups talk. "You are nothing but a pack of cards," she says – and how I enjoyed making the same gesture when I got the role in the school play and ended the scene throwing a pack of cards across the stage. When asked by a gentleman on the Board of Directors if I had been scared of performing in front of so many people I told the truth, that I simply pretended that they were a field of cabbages. Adults laughed at this but I was only answering his questions truthfully. Honestly, I thought, grown-ups are weird!



**SO NOW PLEASE WILL YOU WRITE TO THIS
MAGAZINE AND TELL US OF THE LITERATURE
THAT INFLUENCED YOU IN YOUR CHILDHOOD?**

VALERIE ROWLAND

ST STEPHEN'S CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Saturday Feb 1	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat 11.30am Social Events Meeting
Sunday Feb 2	Candlemas The Presentation of Christ in the Temple 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass 2.30pm – 4.00pm Creative Children's Church
Monday Feb 3 - Friday Feb 7	8.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday Feb 4	11.00am Weekday Mass
Thursday Feb 6	5.45pm- 7.15pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal
Saturday Feb 8	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat
Sunday Feb 9	The Fourth Sunday before Lent 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass
Monday Feb 10 - Friday Feb 14	8.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday Feb 11	11.00am Weekday Mass 12.00pm Friendship Lunch
Thursday Feb 13	5.45pm- 7.15pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal
Saturday Feb 15	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat
Sunday Feb 16	Septuagesima The Third Sunday before Lent 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass
Monday Feb 17 - Friday Feb 21	8.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday Feb 18	11.00am Weekday Mass
Thursday Feb 20	5.45pm- 7.15pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal
Saturday Feb 22	10.00am – 11.30am Coffee, Cake & Chat 12.30pm Baptisim
Sunday Feb 23	Sexagesima The Second Sunday before Lent 9.30am Mass with Children's Church 11.00am Sung Mass Bake Sale after both services
Monday Feb 24 - Friday Feb 28	8.00am Morning Prayer
Tuesday Feb 25	11.00am Weekday Mass
Thursday Feb 27	5.45pm- 7.15pm Chamber Choir Rehearsal

Raise money for St Stephens for FREE!

EASYFUNDRAISING

Just a reminder to those of you who already use the site, **please** carry on.

We have raised over £600 over the past few years but I know we can do better.

The total is only going up very slowly now - the site says there are 18 members – have you forgotten? There are over 7000 shops / services / hotels / holidays that give a donation – it costs you nothing (that's the best bit!). Some firms donate 1.5% others up to 5% .

Very simple to use.

Log into

www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Select

St Stephens Church Guernsey Channel Islands
as the charity.

Make sure you add the 'remind me'

and every time you log onto a site which offers donations it will flag up – saves you forgetting or having to think of checking.

Alternatively, if you want to become a new user, ask a current user to add you as a 'friend' – as soon as you use the site there is a £5.00 bonus added. Whoopee!!

Some of the most popular firms giving donations include:-
Amazon, Dunelm, John Lewis, M&S, Lakeland, New Look ,
Healthspan, Boots, Boden travel firms, plus the other 7000 I can't list here!!

Cheers
Peter

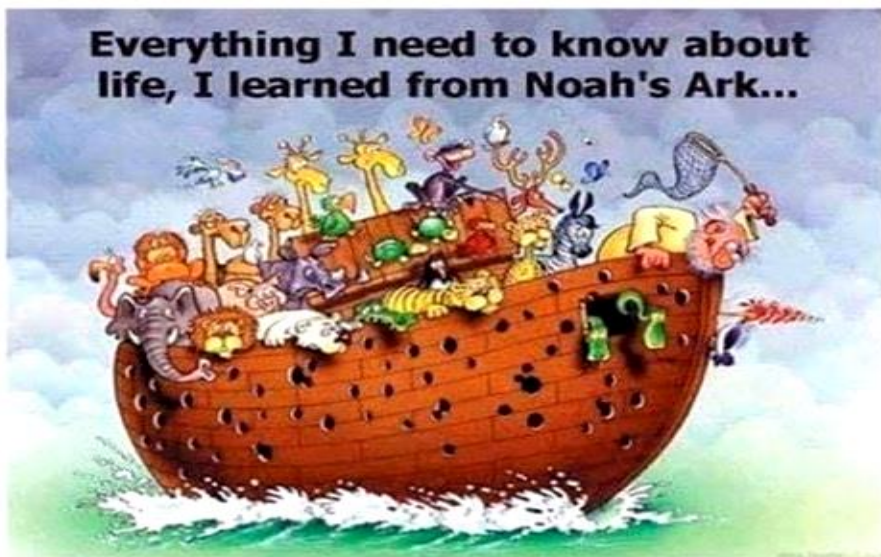
Deanery Electoral Roll 2025

By 23rd March 2025, all Churches in Guernsey will need to submit a new Electoral Roll to the Deanery. This means that all those already on the Roll will need to complete a new form, plus it is hoped that some of the newer members of our congregation will also join.

The reason for being on the Roll is to show a commitment to St Stephen's Church and allows you to make suggestions, and vote at the Annual General Meeting, and so take a larger part in our parish life.

Enrolment Application forms are available on the black chest or available from Tony Goss, the Electoral Roll Officer.

Please return your completed form to Tony Goss, Fr Joe or one of the church wardens.



- 1** Don't miss the boat.
- 2** Remember that we are all in the same boat.
- 3** Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
- 4** Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
- 5** Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
- 6** Build your future on high ground.
- 7** For safety sake, travel in pairs.
- 8** Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
- 9** When you're stressed, float a while.
- 10** Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
- 11** No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting..

The Burrswood Fellowship Prayer.

Merciful God, You have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can Desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen



Have you thought about starting a new club or activity?

St Stephen's Community Centre is a great venue for exciting new ventures! The centre is busy with weekly youth groups for primary age children and teenagers, as well as regular clubs, classes, and more, but has availability for weekend functions and activities during the day (Monday to Friday from 09:00am to 02:30pm) and some weekday evenings (please get in touch for more information).

February public events:

- **11th February 12:00 - 2:00pm** - Friendship Lunch.
- **Weekly public events:** Dancing in the Dark is a fantastic opportunity for those who want to dance like nobody is watching (literally!) to get moving and raise some money for charity at the same time. Classes are available 6:00pm- 7:00pm on Tuesdays in the Main Hall. £5 cash payment per class, with all profits donated to a local charity. No need to book. *Contact:* Louise Croft at [facebook.com/danceguernsey](https://www.facebook.com/danceguernsey) for more information.
- Our regular clubs, classes and youth groups are opposite.

Club (Please contact the leader if you are interested to participate)	Day(s)	Time
The French Workshop : Juliana Chapellier : thefrenchworkshopgsy@gmail.com	Weekdays (term time)	15:15 - 17:15
Yoga : Michael Wegerer : yoga.gsy@gmail.com	Monday	19:00 - 20:00
Dancing in the Dark : Louise Croft : facebook.com/danceguernsey	Tuesday	18:00 - 19:00
Dance Fit : Caroline Mauger : www.zumba.com/en-US/p/caroline-mauger/1359453	Thursday	09:45 - 10:45
St Stephen's Players : Chris Dragun : facebook.com/ststephensplayersgsy	Tuesday & Thursday	19:30 - 21:30
Beavers : Rosalyne Le Huray : firstgsybeavers@outlook.com	Monday	17:30 - 18:45
Cubs : Leon Gallienne : firstgsycubs@outlook.com	Monday	19:00 - 20:30
Brownies : Ellie Luce : ststephens.girlguiding@gmail.com	Wednesday	17:30 - 18:30
Sea Scouts : Rosalyne Le Huray : firstgsyscouts@outlook.com	Wednesday	19:00 - 21:00
Rangers : Sophie Leale : 7thststephensrangers@gmail.com	Wednesday	19:00 - 20:30
Guides : Debbie Robilliard : 7thststephensguides@gmail.com	Friday	18:00 - 19:30

*If you are interested in booking the Community Centre,
 please contact Jenny Lambert:*

ststephenscommunitycentre@gmail.com

Little Johnny, just six years old, came home from school looking flustered and red-faced. His mom, curious as ever, greeted him at the door with a smile.

"How was school today, Johnny?" she asked, noticing his expression.

Johnny heaved a dramatic sigh. "It was so embarrassing, Mom!"

Concerned but trying not to laugh, she asked, "Why? What happened?"

"Well," Johnny began, "we had our first family planning lesson today. And everyone was saying the craziest things!"

"Oh? Like what?"

Johnny rolled his eyes. "Annie from across the street said babies come from storks. Sally next door says you can just go to the orphanage and buy one. And Timmy in my class said you get babies at the hospital."

His mom chuckled. "Well, those are all interesting ideas. But why would that embarrass you?"

Johnny sighed again, this time with exaggerated exasperation. "Because, Mom, I didn't have the heart to tell them that you and Dad were so broke, you had to make me yourselves!" 😞

Dear Friends,

I would like to thank you all for your kindness, concern, prayers and support throughout the time that our beautiful, youngest daughter Suzanne was ill, eventually dying in November leaving behind her two young children.

As her Dad often said to her;
“you can now go and fly with the Draguns and the angels.”

Thank you
Steph.



This day is your gift to us.
Be with us each moment,
our every thought and word,
the song our hearts sing.
Be with us in our speaking,
the love and peace we share,
the healing we bring.
Be with us in our quietness,
that whisper that we hear,
such a precious thing.
Be with us each moment,
generous God, we pray.

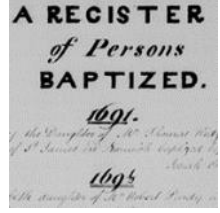


The Guild of Intercession The Departed February

Agnes Bentley 12/2/1914; Frank Edward Lowe (Priest/1st Vicar) 21/2/1918; Selina Le Page 7/2/1923; Kathleen Hilda Symons 28/2/1927; Thomas William Mansell de Guerin 19/2/1929; Edward Heathfield Tupper (Priest) 9/2/1932; Leslie Marcus Quehen (Priest/Vicar) 20/2/1938; Constance Bingham Tupper 14/2/1942; Lillian Ruth Swann 17/2/1942; Beatrice Bingham Tupper 23/2/1942; James Baker 3/2/1947; Kathleen Elizabeth Kane 5/2/1948; John George Brehaut 28/2/1948; Violet Brooks 22/2/1950; Walter Henry Sauvarin 1/2/1951; Florence Ada Carey 9/2/1951; George Arthur Mariess 10/2/1951; Basil John Bisson 13/2/1951; Charles Edward King 5/2/1952; Constance Ada Beaumont 6/2/1954; Charles Henry Paul 10/2/1954; Emma Asplett 18/2/1954; Shirley May Bishop 22/2/1954; James Henry Le Page 25/2/1954; John Hamon Robilliard 3/2/1955; Ellen Lily Sarchet 24/2/1955; Joseph Phillips 3/2/1956; Clara Rouget 8/2/1956; Harry Malcolm Coombe 1/2/1957; Richard Moccock 15/2/1957; Alfred Gallienne 22/2/1957; Caroline Brooks 28/2/1957; Edwin John Robilliard 11/2/1958; Sidney Laurence Watson 18/2/1958; Mary Ann Platt 2/2/1959; Helen Heap 9/2/1959; Edwin Wilfred Jehan 24/2/1959; Patricia Edmead 18/2/1960; Harry Stanley Wallace 6/2/1961; Patricia May De Garis 6/2/1961; Marie Le Page 14/2/1961; Lucy Rose Coombe 5/2/1962; Margaret Locke 19/2/1962; Vera Maud Webber 20/2/1963; William James Edwards 25/2/1963; Amy Elizabeth Piprell 4/2/1965; John Le Vallee 21/2/1965; Jennifer Brett 20/2/1966; Bernard Barry Fazan Spagnioletti 10/2/1967; Percival Langlois Martin 27/2/1967; Marjorie Victoria Anderson 29/2/1968; Nellie Graham Emmott 11/2/1971; Patrick Monahan 8/2/1973; Marguerite Ozanne 16/2/1973; Arthur Edmund Swann 3/2/1974; Winifred Helena Ingram 28/2/1975; William Norman Lihou 12/2/1979; Eric Edward James Balshaw 28/2/1984; Doris England 19/2/1985; Lionel Le Huray 22/2/1987; Hester Mildred Rayson 2/2/1988; Bernard Fredrick Miles Le Gallez 14/2/1990; Susan Elaine Warren 17/2/1991; Maurice Digby Fox 4/2/1992; Wilfred Charles Machon 7/2/1992; Ernest George Brett 1/2/1993; Adolphus (John) Buckingham 4/2/1994; John Aikman Bartie 24/2/1994; Amy Pretoria Cochrane 19/2/1995; Gatse Ewert Spoelstra 10/2/1996; Olga Maud Snell 19/2/1996; Frances Mary Fox 7/2/1997; Margaret Gretchen Brett 8/2/1997; Lawrence Charles Raymond Kaines 24/2/1998; Rose Ada Masters 3/2/2001; Robert Osborne 18/2/2001; Phyllis Margaret Robert 20/2/2001; Ruth Alma Marsh 11/2/2005; Gladys Florence Bartie 17/2/2005; Doris Maud Phillips 27/2/2005; Tony Alfred Besnard 3/2/2006; Herbert William Stephen Whitford 9/2/2007; Frances Margaret Stanton 28/2/2007; Melba May Nicolle 23/2/2008; Edna Gladys Denziloe Mauger 2/2/2009; Gevase Le Gros Peek 24/2/2009; Betty Ada Ozanne 1/2/2010; Kathleen (Dominie) O'Connor 14/2/2010; Patricia Merle Vautier Roberts 16/2/2010; Anthony Gordon Haynes 3/2/2012; Patricia Lilian Yabsley 13/2/2012; Mark Henry Dorau 22/2/2012; Jean Curtis 29/2/2012; Christine Hobday 13/2/2013; Elizabeth Le Lacheur 27/2/2013; Eileen Florence Bienvenu 8/2/2015; Eric Harold Powell 11/2/2015; Peter George Mauger 25/2/2015; David Michael Robins 18/2/2017; Alexander George Mather 24/2/2017; Sheila Grace Mather 27/2/2017.; Trevor Taylor 20/02/2022; Margarida Pickering 15/02/2022

May They Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

Parish Register
(December 2024 / January 2025)



Baptisms: None
Weddings: None
Funerals: Anthony De La Mare



READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday 2 nd February	The Presentation of Christ in the Temple Candlemas	Malachi Ch3 v1-5 Hebrews Ch2 v14-18 Luke Ch2 v22-40
Sunday 9 th February	The Fourth Sunday before Lent Proper 1	Isaiah Ch6 v1-8 1 Corinthians Ch15 v1-11 Luke Ch5 v1-11
Sunday 16 th February	The Third Sunday before Lent Proper 2	Jeremiah Ch 17 v5-10 1 Corinthians Ch15 12-20 Luke Ch6 v17-26
Sunday 23 th February	The Second Sunday before Lent Sexagesima	Genesis Ch2 v4b-9,15-25 Revelation Ch4 Luke Ch8 v22-25

FEBRUARY HYMNS

SUNDAY 11am	2ND Presentation of Christ in the Temple Candlemass	9th 4 th Sunday before Lent	16th 3 rd Sunday before Lent (Septuagesima)	23rd 2 nd Sunday before Lent (Sexagesima)
HYMN	Procession 188	343	S.38	339
PROPER	725(P)	671x	672	673
Responsorial Psalm	24 (v7-end)	138	1	65
OFFERTORY	338	345	333	439
COMMUNION	44	390	341	S.31
POST COMMUNION	408	377	114	466



Guilds, Clubs & Activities at St Stephen's

CREATIVE CHILDREN'S CHURCH (MESSY CHURCH)	Andrea Bateman andrea.bateman@yahoo.co.uk	1st Sunday of the Month	Church Vestry
RAINBOWS	Rachel Le Prevost ststephens.girlguiding@gmail.com	Wednesday 4.00pm - 5.00pm	Community Centre 5-7 years old
BROWNIES	Ellie Luce ststephens.girlguiding@gmail.com	Wednesday 5.00pm - 6.30pm	Community Centre 7 - 10 years old
GUIDES	Debbie Robilliard Tel: 714850 + 07911 132440 7ststephensguides@gmail.com	Friday 6.00pm - 7.30pm	Community Centre 10 - 14 years old
RANGERS	Sophie Leale Tel: 714850 + 07911 132440 7thststephensrangers@gmail.com	Wednesday 7.40pm - 9.00pm	Community Centre 14-21 years old
1st VICTORIA SEA SCOUT GROUP	Rosalynne Le Huray firstgysbeavers@outlook.com	Beavers Monday 5.30pm - 6.45pm	Community Centre 6 - 8 years old
Group Scout Leader	Leon Gallienne firstgyscubs@outlook.com	Cubs Monday 7.00pm - 8.30pm	Community Centre 8 - 10 years old
Rosalynne Le Huray Tel: 07781 127263	Rosalynne Le Huray firstgyscouts@outlook.com	Sea Scouts Wednesday 7.00pm - 9.00pm	Community Centre 10 - 14 years old
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9.30am	Said Mass
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Monday to Friday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
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