

# St George's Church, Benenden

*Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"*

## Our Worship: 11<sup>th</sup> February The Sunday next before Lent

**Collect:** Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February – The Sunday next before Lent

*Readings: 2 Corinthians 4.3-6, Mark 9.2-9*

**8 am 1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION**

led by Revd David Commander

**10 am MORNING WORSHIP**

led by Vicki Young

*Hymns: 2 Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

709 *Light of the minds that know him*

51 *The Lord will come*

603 *Bright the vision*

### THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's <b>No Sandhurst Home Group</b>
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
	1 pm	Funeral of t/l Terence Jones at St George's <b>No Benenden Home Group</b>
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup></b>	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church <b>ASHING SERVICE AT ST GEORGE'S</b> led by Revd David Commander & Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen <i>Readings: 2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10, John 8.1-11</i>
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10–11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
	11.45 am	SCP Chapter meeting at St George's
	7 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's

### Sunday Next: 18<sup>th</sup> February – The First Sunday of Lent

*Readings: 1 Peter 3.18-end, Mark 1.9-15*

**8 am HOLY COMMUNION**

led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

**10 am SUNG EUCHARIST**

led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

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**2 Corinthians 4.3-6**

<sup>3</sup>And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. <sup>4</sup>In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. <sup>5</sup>For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. <sup>6</sup>For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**Mark 9.2-9**

***The Transfiguration***

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

***The Coming of Elijah***

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

**Prayers:**

**Crissie Symons:** It is with sadness and regret that I have to inform the church family that I have just had it confirmed that Crissie died at the beginning of December last year. There was a small Committal Service held for her at Brighton Crematorium at the beginning of January. A few members of t/l Gordon Reynolds' (Crissie's partner) family attended the service. Revd David.

***Ash Wednesday: 14<sup>th</sup> February***  
***Ashing Service at St George's - at 7.30 pm***

**Benenden & Sandhurst Home Groups** – Both Homes Groups restart after Easter. During Lent we will instead be following the Lent Course, starting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall. Full details below. All are welcome to join us. David Collard

**REVISED DATES!**  
**UPCOMING CHOIR PRACTICES AT ST GEORGE'S**

(All practices from 7 to 8 pm)

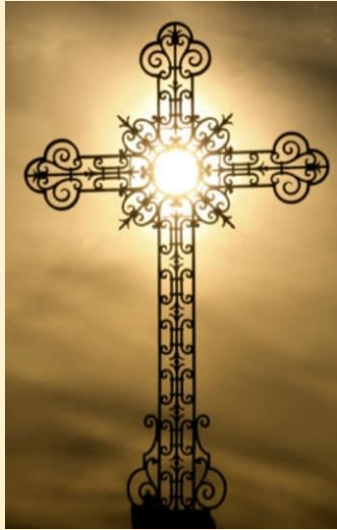
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

ie **no practice** on 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> February  
or 28<sup>th</sup> March (Maundy Thursday – Communion service)

# Lent Course 2024



**At the Foot of the Cross**  
**A Lenten Journey with Julian of Norwich**  
**5 week course**  
**Starting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February.**  
**from 7.30 to 9pm**  
**at Benenden Memorial Hall**  
**led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Lyn Hayes.**  
**All are welcome.**

## ■● Vicki Young - Curacy Announcement ●■

We are delighted to announce that Bishop Rose has agreed that Vicki will be serving her title post in the Benefice of Marden as Curate from the end of June 2024.

Vicki currently worships in the Benefice of Benenden and Sandhurst, and she has trained for ministry through St Augustine's College of Theology.

Vicki will be ordained to the diaconate in a service at Canterbury Cathedral on 29<sup>th</sup> June. It is hoped that Vicki will be able to move to Marden prior to ordination.

We pray for Vicki as she finishes her training course and prepares to move home, and church. We pray also for good beginnings in a new place, and for her continued training and development as she continues to follow God's call on her life in ordination to the priesthood through her curacy in Marden. Revd David



## Benenden

### ‘Give up a meal for Lent’

We are asking those that are able to give to consider donating a much-needed item that is in short supply to the Nourish Foodbank on a weekly basis.

Donation point in St George's Church or please contact Gemma, details below, to arrange collection.

- 18<sup>th</sup> February: Pasta sauce jars
- 25<sup>th</sup> February: Baked beans
- 3<sup>rd</sup> March: Tinned potatoes
- 10<sup>th</sup> March: Tinned fish
- 17<sup>th</sup> March: Tinned spaghetti/ beans
- 24<sup>th</sup> March: Corned beef tins
- Easter Sunday: Microwave rice pouches

Contact: Gemma Coupland 07548 262509 [gemmalouhunter@gmail.com](mailto:gemmalouhunter@gmail.com)  
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