

The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

Our Worship Sunday 16th September Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

Bible Readings:
James 3.1-12
Mark 8.27-38

10.00 am **SUNG EUCHARIST**
led by Revd David Commander

HYMNS	
681	In heavenly love abiding
246	Holy Spirit come
787ii	Take my life
Comm hymn 588	And can it be
Comm hymn 602	Blest are the pure in heart
748	O Jesus I have promised

4.00 pm **MESSY CHURCH AT ST GEORGE'S**
led by Revd Iori Price

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 17 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	9.00 am	BPS Assembly
Tuesday 18 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 19 th	8.00 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Thursday 20 th	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing
	9.30 – 11.30 am	BPS music lessons at St George's
Friday 21 st	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	9.00 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	3.00 pm	BPS Assembly
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice
	8.00 pm	Bell Ringing

Sunday Next: 23rd September – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: James 3.13-4.3 & 7-8a. Mark 9. 30-37

8.00 am **Holy Communion** led by Revd David Commander

10.00 am **Morning Worship** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

12.30 pm Baptism of Emily Earland

3.00 pm **Deanery Confirmation Service at St Mary's Frittenden**

No Praise Service at Sandhurst Mission Church tonight

Readings: Sunday 16th September

James 3.1-12

Taming the Tongue

³Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Mark 8.27-38

Peter's Declaration about Jesus

²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Home Groups:

The Tuesday Home Group meets in Benenden. Our Tuesday Home Group continues to explore the Acts of the Apostles looking at the history, where the stories took place and how and why people's lives were changed and how the early church developed, with many parallels between them and our lives today! All are welcome. There is no commitment to come every week. Give Home Group a try. We meet at David and Julia Collard's at 8pm.

The **Wednesday Home Group** meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church. The Wednesday Home Group is also exploring the Acts of the Apostles.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

will be celebrated at
**St George's Church,
Benenden**

on 7th October at 11am

Donations of either perishable or non-perishable goods will be taken to the charities

'Catching Lives' and 'Nourish'



St George's Church Harvest Lunch

Sunday 7 October, Benenden Village Hall,
12.30-3pm

The Harvest Lunch will follow the Harvest Festival Service which will start at 11am. The menu includes smoked salmon terrine, chicken & gammon salad with new potatoes (vegetarian option available), lemon tart with fresh berries & cream. Tea, coffee & mints. Soft drinks are included. Wine & beer will be available to buy.

Always a popular occasion, so buy your tickets early (adults £7, under 12s £3.50) from:
Benenden's Community Shop, in Church or from
Lesley Attwood 243318 lesley.attwood@sky.com

Everyone Welcome

*The Friends of St George's Church
are proud to present*



**Friday 12 October 2018
at 7.30pm
in St George's Church**

Tickets: **£5** for adults—16 and under **Free**
(Includes refreshments and a glass of wine/soft drink)

*Tickets available: at the **Door**;
in **Church** after services;
from **Benenden's Community Shop**;
or from **Jo Clube** 01580 242956
jo.clube@aviva.com*

Prayers:

Cyril Cooling passed away on the 18th August, leaving this world peacefully at 7am having woken for the morning and then quietly fallen asleep again. The funeral service will take place on Monday 24th September at 2pm at Inverness Crematorium. Please hold David, Trevor, Richard and Vanessa in your prayers.

Martin Oldaker passed away on the 19th August. His funeral will take place at St George's on Wednesday 26th September starting at 2pm, followed by a burial in the churchyard. Please hold Tessa in your prayers; Martin's death was very unexpected.

Confirmation Service: The Deanery Confirmation Service is next Sunday 23rd September at St Mary's Frittenden. We have three candidates from the Benefice: Deborah Jenkins and Kirsten Lindsay from Benenden and Vicki Young from Sandhurst. If you would like to come to the service to support them, you would be very welcome. Please hold Deborah, Kirsten and Vicki in your prayers.

Commemoration Services: St George's: Friday 2nd November at 7.30pm & St Nicholas: Sunday 4th November at 10am. For each Parish we will be reading out the names of those who have departed over the last three years. Should you wish the names of any additional loved ones to be read out please email benendenchurch@gmail.com or telephone the Benefice Office on 01580 850 849 at any time (answerphone available).

The School of Theology

Wednesdays in September, October and November, starting on 26th September, 7:30-9:30pm at St Mary's Church, Goudhurst

In partnership with St Paul's Theological Centre in London, we are hosting a second term of their School of Theology - and introductory theology course. Listen to a high quality filmed talk on the big screen followed by discussion afterwards. The course is aimed at anyone wanting to go deeper into their faith. This term we will be following the *Life Track* which looks at ethics and living as a Christian, including topics such as 'Suffering and evil', 'Has science disproved God?' and 'Wealth & Poverty'. There are 8 sessions, all of them on Wednesday evenings. The full course, to include handouts and home made soup to start, costs £20. Find out more and book a place at <http://www.gkchurch.org.uk/?c=school-of-theology-546>

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St George's Church has a new website: www.benendenchurch.org

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All items for the weekly notices should be sent to benendenchurch@gmail.com by 10am the preceding Wednesday please.