

The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

Sunday 4th November

Fourth Sunday before Advent

Collect: Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION
led by Revd Craig Huxley

10.00 am ALL AGE COMMUNION
led by Revd David Commander

Bible Readings:
Hebrews 9.11-14
Mark 12.28-34

HYMNS	
296	For all the Saints
664	How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
602	Blessed are the pure in heart
422	Alleluia sing to Jesus

4.00 pm Choir Practice

5.00 pm CHORAL EVENSONG led by David Harmsworth
followed by an Organ Recital by Tom Bell
Psalm 145. Readings: Daniel 2.1-48, Matthew 5.1-12

HYMNS & CANTICLES	
Canticles	Dykes in F
Anthem	Holst Turn back O Man
Responses	Smith
506	The Church's one foundation
698	King of Glory
24	The day thou gavest

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 5 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	9.00 am	BPS Assembly
Tuesday 6 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Jean Rummery's home in Sandhurst (this week only) led by Revd David Commander
	2.15 -3.30 pm	WI piano playing at St George's
Wednesday 7 th	8.00 pm	Home Group at David and 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
	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing
Thursday 8 th	9.30-11.30 am	BPS Music Lessons in St George's

Friday 9 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9.00 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	3.00 pm	BPS Assembly
	6.45 pm	Choir Practice

**Sunday Next: 11th November – Remembrance Sunday:
The Third Sunday before Advent**

- 8.00 am** **1662 BCP Holy Communion** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Readings: Hebrews 9.24-28, Mark 1.14-20
- 10.45 am** **Remembrance Service at St George's** led by Revd Craig Huxley:
Reading: Revelation 21.1-7
Followed by laying of wreaths at the War Memorial.
- 5:30 pm** **Commemoration Service at St George's** led by Revd David Commander
Please be seated by 5.15pm for music by George Butterworth, "A Shropshire Lad", accompanied by images of the beautiful English countryside merging, poignantly, with images from the First World War. The service will be followed by "The Battle's Over" - a national commemoration to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

Readings: Sunday 4th November

Hebrews 9.11-14

¹¹ But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come,¹² then through the greater and perfect¹³ tent¹⁴ (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), ¹²he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. ¹³For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, ¹⁴how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit¹⁵ offered himself without blemish to God, purify our¹⁶ conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Mark 12.28-34

The First Commandment

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' ²⁹Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." ³¹The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' ³²Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other"; ³³and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbour as oneself",—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.' ³⁴When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Home Groups: The Tuesday Home Group meets in Benenden at 8pm at David & Julia Collard's. All are welcome. There is no commitment to come every week. **The Wednesday Home Group** meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church and is also exploring the Acts of the Apostles.

Sidespeople: A Plea! We are in need of recruiting more people to act as Sides-people for our Sunday services. If you can smile at people and make them feel welcome as they walk into church - whether you know them or not - then you would make a good sides-person! Please speak to me, or to a Churchwarden, about this if you think you could serve in this way. (The more volunteers we have, the less often everyone has to do it!) Revd David.

Memorial Hall bookings: We need to say a thank you to Jackie Liffen for the years that she has dealt with the bookings for the Memorial Hall. In the last six months this has been computerised and is now much easier to manage. But Jackie has reached a point where it is right for her to hand this task over to someone else. Could that be you? If you would like to know more before committing, please speak to Jackie (Tel 240358) or to myself. Revd David.

New Altar Frontal and Chasuble: The existing red altar frontal had become very fragile, to the point where it could not be used without permanent damage being caused to it. A new red frontal has been designed by Sam Caddick, and then created by Pauline Dean and is being used for the first time today, Sunday 4th November. Thank you both for your creativity, skills and time in producing this for us. We also have also bought a new red chasuble which has been expertly shortened by Val Stubbins. Thank you, Val, for doing this for us. Revd David

Ride & Stride. Geoff Davison wishes to thank everyone who sponsored him on the Ride & Stride back in September. Geoff has raised an amazing £700 for the work of the Friends of Kent Churches. St George's Church will receive some of this money. Thank you, Geoff, and well done!

Windows of Opportunity: Reflections for Advent will be led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen at St George's on Monday 3rd December at 2pm. All are very welcome.

Remembrance Sunday Services: Sunday 11th November
100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War.

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images from the First World War.

“The Battle's Over” is a national commemoration to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War. Poems and letters from the Front will be read out as we reflect upon the war and the people involved. Following the service at St. George's, we will make our way from church to the east end of the Glebe. There, a bugler will play the Last Post, followed by the lighting of the Benenden beacon and the ringing of the church bells. Beacons will be lit and church bells across the country will ring out, marking the end of a dark period of four years of war and celebrating the peace.

Fegans “Understanding this Generation”

Depression: self harm: anxiety: suicide: eating disorders

Transforming Children's Mental Health. How the Church can be a part of the solution

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Co-pastor at St Paul's Ealing, Director of New Wine)
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Hugh Nelson (Vicar of Goudhurst & Kilndown

Monday 26th November 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Christ Church, High Street, Tunbridge Wells TN1 1UT

BOOK NOW To book a place visit: Fegans.org.uk/event/generation

Christmas Mini Market & Grand Draw



Saturday 17th November

10am – 12.30pm

**in the Mission Church, Sandhurst
Back Road, TN18 5JU**

Stalls include produce, cakes, Christmas goodies, Christmas cards, jewellery, presents and more.

This is St Nicholas Church's main fundraising event.

Please lend your support

The Friends of St George's Church



**Quiz
Night**

Friday 16 November 2018

Benenden Village Hall

7.15 for 7.30pm

**Gourmet
pie supper**

**Tables of 8
at £12 a head**

Invite your friends and make up a table

*To book a table please contact:
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