

The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 24th November

Christ the King

Collect: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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 David Commander

10.00 am MORNING WORSHIP
led by Jacqueline Hewitt and Karen Booth-Clibborn

Bible Readings:
Colossians 1.11-20
Luke 23.33-43

Hymns	
769	Rejoice! The Lord is King
754	O worship the King
690	Jesus is Lord
227	Crown him with many crowns

***followed by dedication of Memorial Plaque
to Robert & Freda Reynolds*** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

The Week Ahead

Monday 25 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
Tuesday 26 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
	4.00 pm	'Blend' youth group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	8.00 pm	Home Group at Julia & David Collard's
Wednesday 27 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Shop at the Memorial Hall
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice at the Memorial Hall
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Thursday 28 th	7.30 pm	Launch of 'The Weald Greenhouse' at Benenden Primary School
Friday 29 th	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9-11.00 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	8.00 pm	Bellringing Practice (tbc)
Saturday 30 th	3.15 pm	Service of Welcome & Installation of the Bishop of Dover at Canterbury Cathedral
	7.30 pm	Cranbrook Symphony Orchestra Charity Concert at St George's

Sunday Next: 1st December – Advent Sunday

Readings: Romans 13.11-end, Matthew 24.36-44

8.00 am Holy Communion led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
10.00 am All Age Communion led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
4.00 pm Choir Practice
5.00 pm Advent Carol Service led by Revd David Commander

Readings: Sunday 24th November

Colossians 1.11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Supremacy of Christ

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Luke 23.33-43

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?' ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' ⁴²Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' ⁴³He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Home Groups: The Tuesday Home Group meets at 8pm in Benenden, usually at Julia and David Collard's. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at the Mission Church. All are welcome to both groups.

Memorial plaque - Today, Sunday 24th November, immediately following the 10 o'clock service, the plaque in memory of Robert and Freda Reynolds will be dedicated by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen. Everyone is welcome to attend this and support the Reynolds family.

**Cranbrook Symphony Orchestra. Charity Concert at St George's
Saturday 30th November at 7.30 pm.**

Music includes Mendelssohn, Brahms and Bellini
with oboe soloist Caitlin Chiu from Benenden School.

Profits to be shared between *Catching Lives* and *The Music Well*.

Tickets priced £10 adult and £5 student available in advance from Benenden's or the CSO website or on door at £12 adult and £5 student.

Please see posters in church for further details.

St George's Flower Fund will be setting up a stall next Sunday, 1st December, for the St George's 10am service and also for the 5pm Advent Carol Service. We will be selling, and taking orders for, fresh candle decorations. Any orders for fresh candle decorations received before 18th December can be collected on Saturday 21st December, the day of the Parish Carol Service. There will also be a variety of other decorations and plants on sale. Alison Prall

Diocese of Canterbury *Welcoming Bishop Rose*



**Installation of Rt Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin
as Bishop of Dover at Canterbury Cathedral
Saturday 30 November at 3:15pm**

This is set to be a very special day for Canterbury Diocese and we would love people from across all deaneries to join us in welcoming Rose to her new role. This is a **TICKETED** event - please book your free places via this link:
<https://www.canterburydiocese.org/events/installation-service-for-the-bishop-of-dover/>

Advent Carol Service at St George's



5pm - Sunday 1st December

**BLEND – Youth Group for all 11 to 15 year olds – Tuesdays IN TERM TIME
from 4 to 6pm at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU**

Remembrance Sunday: Thank you to all those involved in making the Remembrance Day service and time at the War Memorial run so smoothly. The church collection was £763.04 and, to date, the total amount raised in Benenden for the Royal British Legion is £4100. Thank you, everyone.

Christmas choir at St George's: Enjoy the Parish Carol Service from a different perspective: come and sing with the choir for one night only. No commitment afterwards; just come to at least three of our Wednesday rehearsals beforehand, in the Memorial Hall, 7pm on Wednesdays. See you there, Charlotte.

The Weald Greenhouse launch: YOU ARE INVITED!

The Weald Greenhouse will be launched on Thursday 28th November at 7.30 pm at Benenden Primary School and we would love as many people as possible to come along. Revd Steve Coneys and Revd Hugh Nelson will introduce the vision and values of the Greenhouse and will explain how it will work and there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.

The Weald Greenhouse is for anyone who wants to explore how they could share faith with people for whom Sunday morning church is unlikely to appeal. It's not for spiritual heroes, missionary experts or Billy Graham style evangelists - it's for ordinary Christians who want to try something new for God.

Please spread the word and come along to find out more. More Information at

<https://www.gkchurch.org.uk/greenhouse>

Contacts			
Church Office	Cathy Baker, Benefice Administrator The Mission Church, Back Road, Sandhurst, Kent TN18 5JU Tel: 01580 850 849 E-mail: benendenchurch@gmail.com		
Hospital/Doctors Lift Coordinator	Lesley Attwood Tel: 01580 243318		
Parish Safeguarding Officer	Ian Malaugh Tel: 01580 240 999 E-mail: ianmal@sky.com		
Churchwardens	Mr David Collard Tel: 01580 241 944 E-mail: julia.collard@btinternet.com Mr Tracy Claridge Tel: 01580 240 454 E-mail: maisonsicheluk@tlclaridge.co.uk (Please note revised email address)		
Priests	Revd David Commander, Rector The Rectory, The Green, Benenden, Kent TN17 4DL Tel: 01580 240 658 E-mail: revdavidcommander@gmail.com (N.B. The Rector's day off is Thursday) Revd Dr Rosemary Kobus van Wengen Tel: 01580 764 857 Email: rosemaryvanwengen@gmail.com		
	StGeorgesBenenden StNicholasSandhurst	Websites	www.benendenchurch.org https://stnicholassandhurst.org