

Benefice of St George's, Benenden & St Nicholas, Sandhurst

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

Our Worship: Sunday 29th June Second Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 29th June – Second Sunday after Trinity – BENEFICE SERVICES

Readings: Galatians 5.1, 13-25, Luke 9.51-end

8 am HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S

led by Revd David Commander

10 am SUNG EUCHARIST AT ST NICHOLAS

led by Revd David Commander, Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Russell Anderson

Hymns: 17 *All people that on earth do dwell*
560 *Will you come and follow me*
325 *Loving shepherd of thy sheep*
317 *Lord, the light of your love*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 30 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	3.30 pm	Thanksgiving Service t/l Paul Gregory at St George's
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 1 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	7.30 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's, Benenden
Wednesday 2 nd	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	9 – 11 am	Drop in Café & Toddler Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	12 noon	Interment of t/l Pippa Hare at St George's
Thursday 3 rd	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
	7 – 8 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Friday 4 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	1.30 – 3 pm	Y5 BPS Bellringing at St George's
Saturday 5 th	9.30 am – 12 noon	Churchyard Working Party at St George's

Sunday Next: 6th July – Third Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Galatians 6.[1-6] 7-16, Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

8 am 1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

8 am HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

10 am ALL AGE COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S

led by Revd David Commander, Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Russell Anderson

2 – 4 pm SUMMER TEAS AT ST GEORGE'S

5 pm CHORAL EVENSONG AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander

Readings: Genesis 29.1-20, Mark 6.7-29. Psalm 65

Readings: Sunday 29th June – Second Sunday after Trinity

Galatians 5.1, 13-25

5For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9.51-end

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Benenden Prayers:

t/I Paul Gregory: We continue to hold Paul's wife, Angie, and their family in your prayers. There will be a Thanksgiving Service at St George's Church at 3.30pm on Monday 30th June.

St George's Churchyard Working Party: Saturday, 5th July from 9.30 am to noon. Please do join us if you are able. Dick Hill

St Nicholas: Grateful thanks are due to Irene Vidler for cutting all the edges around the plaques in the Garden of Remembrance once again this year. The PCC appreciates the work that Irene has done. BH

Home Groups:

Sandhurst Home Group meets on Mondays at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church.

Benenden Home Group meets at 7.30 pm next Tuesday, 1st July, at David & Julia Collard's.

Appointment of the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury: The Canterbury Diocesan representatives for the Canterbury Crown Nominations Commission (CNC) have been appointed.

The following representatives were elected by the Canterbury Vacancy in See Committee and will be involved in the discernment of the next Archbishop of Canterbury:

The Revd Estella Last (Chair of Diocesan Synod),
David Berry

Sally-Ann Marks (Benefice of Benenden and Sandhurst)

Please keep Estella, David and particularly Sally-Ann in your prayers.

The announcement regarding the next Archbishop is expected this autumn.

The Renew – Restore – Rejoice project has had an amazing week!

We found out on Wednesday 11th June that the faculty had been granted! This means that finally all our approvals are now in place enabling us to evolve the church facilities to meet the needs of our community.

On Friday 13th June we were honoured to host a visit from HRH Duchess of Edinburgh GCVO at St George's. Her Royal Highness spent over an hour at the church, discussing the project and speaking to many of our volunteers who were on the Green preparing for the Village Fete.

We so are delighted to share with you all that Her Royal Highness has agreed to be the patron of our Renew – Restore – Rejoice project.

Praise God for both these answers to prayer! Peter Brook

**'Summer Teas at St George's' start on Sunday 6th July
2 – 4 pm – throughout July and August**

**Grief Talks ~ Time to share & reflect:
Saturday 12th July, 10 am – 12 noon
at the Mission Church, Back Road, Sandhurst TN18 5JU**



Coming to terms with the loss of a loved one can be one of the hardest things we have to do. When someone has died, while we may feel our loved one is at peace, it can still leave us with hugely mixed emotions.

We are offering a morning to explore our grief through conversation, readings and crafting together. It will be a safe space to come to talk and share what has been going on for you.

Talking to others who have been through similar experiences can be helpful, or just knowing that someone is there to listen.

For more information and to book this free workshop please contact
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