

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

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

Our Worship: Sunday 30th June Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 30th June – Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 2 Cor. 8.7-end, Mark 5.21-end

8 am	BENEFICE COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
10 am	BENEFICE ALL AGE COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander & Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
	<i>Hymns:</i> 160 <i>Make way, make way</i> 712 <i>Lord Jesus Christ</i> 730 <i>My God, I love thee</i> 475 <i>Forth in the peace of Christ we go</i>
3.30 – 5.30 pm	Colourstrings Concert at St George's

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 1 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	2 pm	Interment of t/l Jean Rummery at St Nicholas
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 2 nd	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
Wednesday 3 rd	7.30 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	9 – 11 am	Drop in Café & Toddler Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	6pm	Wedding Rehearsal at St George's
	6.30 – 10 pm	Diocesan Synod meeting, Canterbury
Thursday 4 th	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 5 th	7 – 8 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
Saturday 6 th	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	12 noon	Wedding of Connor Roles & Lauren Pearce at St George's

Sunday Next: 7th July – Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: 2 Cor. 12.2-10, Mark 6.1-13

8 am	1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd David Commander
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8 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
10 am	ALL AGE COMMUNION AND BAPTISM AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander
2 – 4 pm	Summer Teas at St George's
5 pm	CHORAL EVENSONG AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander <i>Psalm 64. Readings: Jeremiah 20.1-11a, Romans 14.1-17</i>

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2 Cor. 8.7-end

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

Commendation of Titus

¹⁶ But thanks be to God who put in the heart of Titus the same eagerness for you that I myself have. ¹⁷For he not only accepted our appeal, but since he is more eager than ever, he is going to you of his own accord. ¹⁸With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his proclaiming of the good news; ¹⁹and not only that, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us while we are administering this generous undertaking for the glory of the Lord himself and to show our goodwill. ²⁰We intend that no one should blame us about this generous gift that we are administering, ²¹for we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others. ²²And with them we are sending our brother whom we have often tested and found eager in many matters, but who is now more eager than ever because of his great confidence in you. ²³As for Titus, he is my partner and co-worker in your service; as for our brothers, they are messengers of the churches, the glory of Christ. ²⁴Therefore, openly before the churches, show them the proof of your love and of our reason for boasting about you.

Mark 5.21-end

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

²¹ When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' ²⁹Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' ³¹And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" ' ³²He looked all round to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the

whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

³⁵ While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Summer Teas at St George's
Every Sunday in July & August from 2 to 4pm.
All welcome!

Grief Talks ~Time to share & reflect
Saturday 27th July, 10am – 12.30pm
Saturday 7th September, 10 – 12.30pm
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 Claire Roberts on 01580 754374, or email claireecr57@yahoo.com

Summer Pilgrimage - Saturday 13th July

9.45am for a 10am start from St Nicholas Church



Taking in the paths & byways around the Kent & Sussex border, stopping for reflection and having time to connect with God and enjoy the company of fellow pilgrims, whilst walking in our wonderful countryside.

The day can be split into two halves as we will be stopping off for lunch at The Castle Inn in Bodiam. You can take part for just the morning or the afternoon if liked. The whole walk will be around 6-6.5 miles long, finishing back at St Nicholas for well-earned refreshment and our traditional offering of cake at around 4pm.

We would love to walk with you. If you have further questions, or would like a lift, please get in touch with Revd Ylva Tel 07766 711957, Email: rev.ylva@gmail.com. or Lyn Hayes Tel 07792 332904, Email: lindapin@aol.com

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