### St George's Church, Benenden

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

## Our Worship: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January The Second Sunday of Epiphany

**Collect**: Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

Sunday 19th January – Second Sunday of Epiphany

Readings: 1 Corinthians 12.1-11, John 2.1-11

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

10 am SUNG EUCHARIST

led by Revd David Commander

Hymns: 103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

99 Hail to the Lord's Anointed 630 Father, Lord of all creation (HC) 58 A great and mighty wonder

Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 20 <sup>™</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at the Rectory (this week only)
Tuesday 21st	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	11.30 am	MLT Meeting at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Mission Church
	7.30 – 9.15 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10 - 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>		No Morning Prayer today (Revd David away)
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	4 pm	'CONNECT FOUR'
		Informal family service at Sandhurst Mission Church

(4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month).

Sunday Next: 26th January – Third Sunday of Epiphany

Readings: 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a, Luke 4.14-21

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

led by Revd David Commander

10 am MORNING WORSHIP

led by David Harmsworth

#### Readings: Sunday 19th January – The Second Sunday of Epiphany

#### 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

<sup>12</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

#### John 2.1-11

<sup>2</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**Prayers:** Please hold Jackie Liffen's son, David, in your prayers - and Jackie too - as David undergoes chemotherapy and radiotherapy, at the same time, for the treatment of his cancer. Pray for strength for David to get through his treatment; for a successful outcome of the treatment; and that Jackie can draw strength from her faith and her friends. Revd David

Sandhurst Home Group: the meeting tomorrow, 20<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm will be at the Rectory (this week only).

**Sandhurst Calendars:** Thank you to everyone both in Sandhurst and Benenden who has contributed to the amazing total of £865. This includes calendar sales as well as contributions from those who preferred to make a donation as they didn't need a calendar. Katherine O'Neil

Benenden PCC meets on Monday 27th January at 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall.

#### "Save the date"

#### Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 5th March

There will be a service to mark Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent at 7.30 pm at St George's Church

#### Memorial Hall Vacancies:

We are looking for a replacement for Jackie Liffen who has looked after the bookings for a very long time. The post is to take bookings and place them on website, send out invoices quarterly and act as Treasurer for the Memorial Hall.

In addition, we are looking for a replacement for Colin Hayman, who has done a good job over the last few years, to look after the maintenance of the Memorial Hall. This is will be an ad hoc job rather than being committed to hours every week. It will require having items which require action being carried out either personally or arranging a contractor to carry out the work in conjunction with the Treasurer.

Please speak to David Collard if you may be interested in either of these roles.

# 'CONNECT FOUR'

Our informal family service

4pm - Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU



Come along and connect with:

# - family and friends - tea, coffee, cake

- the Bible - worship - and God! Refreshments throughout.

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