St George's Church, Benenden Our Mission: "To know and love Jesus and make his love known to all"

Our Worship: 19th November Second Sunday before Advent

Collect: Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 19 th November – Second Sunday before Advent Readings: 1 Thess. 5.1-11, Matthew 25.14-30						
8 am		HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen				
10 am	SUNG EUCHARIST led by Revd David Commander					
	Hymns	746 595 57 780	O God, our help Be thou my vision Ye servants of the Lord Soldiers of Christ, arise			

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 20 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group <i>at the Rectory</i>
Tuesday 21 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church
		led by led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
	1 – 3 pm	'Sip n Chat Café' at Sandhurst Mission Church
	8 pm	Benenden Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 22 nd	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at the Memorial Hall
	7.30 pm	Deanery Synod Meeting at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 - 9.15 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 23 rd	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 24 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
Saturday 25 th	10 am to 12 noon	Coffee Morning & Christmas Mini Market at Sandhurst
		Mission Church
	4 pm	'CONNECT FOUR' - FAMILY SERVICE
		AT SANDHURST MISSION CHURCH

Sunday Next: 26th November – Christ the King Readings: Ephesians 1.15-end, Matthew 25.31-end

- HOLY COMMUNION 8 am
- led by Revd David Commander

MORNING WORSHIP 10 am

led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie

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1 Thess. 5.1-11

⁵Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25.14-30

The Parable of the Talents

¹⁴ 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Sip 'n' Chat Café at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU Tuesday 21st November - from 1 to 3 pm All welcome.

Coffee Morning & Christmas Mini Market

Saturday 25th November from 10am to 12 noon



at the Mission Church Back Road Sandhurst TN18 5JU

Stalls include cards, crafts, wool & honey, cakes produce, bric a brac, raffle and church calendar.

Cakes, jams, chutney good bric a brac and raffle prizes are all very welcome.

For further information contact Anne Tylden-Wright 850281



ADVENT SERVICE OF LIGHT

5pm Sunday 3rd December

AT ST GEORGE'S CHURCH BENENDEN



Candlelit Service of Advent Lessons & Carols All are welcome

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