

# St George's Church, Benenden

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

## Our Worship: 27<sup>th</sup> October

### The Last Sunday after Trinity – Bible Sunday

**Collect:** Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Bible Sunday

*Readings: 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5, John 5.36b-end*

<b>8 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>	led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
<b>10 am</b>	<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b>	led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	<i>Hymns:</i>	379 <i>God has spoken - by his prophets</i>
		387 <i>Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking</i>
		727 <i>May the mind of Christ my Saviour</i>
		828 <i>Ye that know the Lord is gracious</i>

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Please note: Revd David and Helen are away this weekend for Bonnie's baptism.**

Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>		<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>		<i>No Morning Prayer today</i>
	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
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	2 pm	Fete meeting at the Rectory
	7 – 8.30 pm	Project 20:20 progress meeting at the Memorial Hall
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St Nicholas
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
	5 – 6 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
	6.45 – 9 pm	Weald Deanery Roadshow at St George's
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Benenden PCC meeting re Project 20:20 at St George's

#### Sunday Next: 3<sup>rd</sup> November – All Saints' Day

*Readings: Revelation 21.1-6a, John 11.32-44*

<b>8 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>	led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
<b>10 am</b>	<b>ALL AGE COMMUNION</b>	led by Revd David Commander
<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>ALL SOULS' SERVICE, COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED</b>	<i>Refreshments in church from 7. All are welcome.</i> led by Revd David Commander, Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	<i>Readings:</i>	<i>1 Peter 1.3-9, John 6.37-40</i>

## Readings: Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Bible Sunday

### **2 Timothy 3.14-4.5**

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

### **John 5.36b-end**

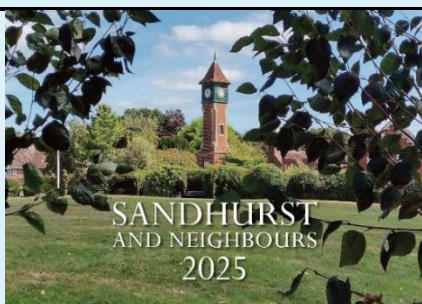
<sup>36b</sup>The works that the Father has given me to complete, the very works that I am doing, testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me. <sup>37</sup>And the Father who sent me has himself testified on my behalf. You have never heard his voice or seen his form, <sup>38</sup>and you do not have his word abiding in you, because you do not believe him whom he has sent.

<sup>39</sup> 'You search the scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that testify on my behalf. <sup>40</sup>Yet you refuse to come to me to have life. <sup>41</sup>I do not accept glory from human beings. <sup>42</sup>But I know that you do not have the love of God in you. <sup>43</sup>I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; if another comes in his own name, you will accept him. <sup>44</sup>How can you believe when you accept glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the one who alone is God? <sup>45</sup>Do not think that I will accuse you before the Father; your accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your hope. <sup>46</sup>If you believed Moses, you would believe me, for he wrote about me. <sup>47</sup>But if you do not believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?'

**Brass Cleaning at St George's:** We are cleaning the church brass once more in preparation for Christmas. We would be pleased to welcome a few more to our group. We meet on Wednesdays at 9 am and continue meeting once a week until they are finished. If you would like to know more, please contact Julia Collard on Tel 241 944.

**All Souls' "Commemoration of the Faithful Departed":** Our annual service to remember loved ones who have died and to light candles in their memory is **at St George's at 7.30pm next Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November**. The names of those who have died in the last three years - associated with Benenden and with Sandhurst - will be read out, together with names requested.

**Benenden Home Group** meets on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October.



### **SANDHURST & NEIGHBOURS CALENDAR**

Following last year's successful sales of the Sandhurst Calendar, I have produced a follow up one for 2025. These will be available to view in St George's and Sandhurst Mission Church and cost £10 each - sales in aid of the St Nicholas' organ overhaul fund.

If you would like a calendar, please ask Katherine O'Neil – 01850 850159 or 07794 068373 or put your name on the list at the back of church.

## Diocesan Roadshow 2024 for the Weald Deanery Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 at St George's Church

- 18.45 Refreshments and networking
- 19.00 **Welcome – Area Dean and Lay Chair**
- 19.05 **Worship – led by the Bishop**  
*To include Faith speaking: noticing and naming God's movement in the world around us led by the M&M team*
- 19.35 **Workshops** – people should select one in advance
- *Creating routes for growing young disciples*
  - *Mission Action Planning for a sustainable future*
  - *Faith speaking: noticing and naming God's movement*
  - *Parish share and how will you be able to afford it?*
- 20.20 **Panel discussion** - Chaired by the Archdeacon  
*Good news stories from the Deanery*  
*Renew Wellbeing Presentation/Video*
- 20.50 **Thanks and Blessing**
- 21.00 **Finish**

**This is an open meeting and all church members are welcome. Please come along and give some insight into how our future is planned.**

**Please advise Julia on [julia.collard@btinternet.com](mailto:julia.collard@btinternet.com) if you are coming and which workshop you would like to join.**

### **Mission Prayer:**

God of Mission  
Who alone brings growth to your Church,  
Send your Holy Spirit to give  
Vision to our planning,  
Wisdom to our actions,  
Joy to our worship,  
And power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers,  
In spiritual commitment to you.  
And in service to our local community,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Carol Services at St George's**

**Advent Carol Service - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 5pm**  
**Parish Carol Service - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7:30pm**

**Walking the Camino Ingles in memory of Louise Nicholson:** Lyn Hayes has walked the English Camino in memory of Louise Nicholson to raise much needed funds and awareness for DAVSS (Domestic Abuse Volunteer Support Services), a fantastic local charity that helps and supports victims and their families affected by domestic abuse and coercive control. If you would like to support Lyn, her JustGiving page is: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/linda-hayes-1721826875680>

# The Friends of St George's Church



## Quiz night

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024**

**Benenden Village Hall**

**7 for 7.30 pm**

**£18 per head to include a**

**Ploughman's Supper**

**To book please contact:**

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