

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 2nd November All Saints' Day

Collect: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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 2nd November – All Saints' Day

Readings: Ephesians 1.11-end, Luke 6.20-31

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd David Commander
10 am	ALL AGE COMMUNION & Baptism of Bunty & River Hukins led by Revd David Commander <i>We welcome Bunty & River & their family & friends to St George's today</i> <i>Hymns:</i> 296 <i>For all the saints vv1-3 & 8 (omit vv 3,5,7)</i> 721 <i>Love divine, all loves excelling</i> 358 <i>Be still, for the presence of the Lord</i> 304 <i>Let saints on earth</i> 477 <i>Go forth and tell</i>
7.30 pm	ALL SOULS' SERVICE: COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED <i>Refreshments & fellowship in church from 7pm. All are welcome.</i> led by Revd David Commander, Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen, Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Lyn Hayes <i>Psalm 121. Readings: Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15, John 14:1-7</i> 799 <i>The Lord's my Shepherd</i> 681 <i>In heav'nly love abiding</i> 10 <i>Abide with me</i> 652 <i>Guide me, O thou great Redeemer</i>

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 3 rd	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 4 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
	7.30 pm	Benenden Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
Wednesday 5 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 6 th	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 7 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
Saturday 8 th	10 – 11.30 am	Discipleship & Mission Group meeting at St Nicholas

Sunday Next: 9th November – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (*Third Sunday before Advent*)

Readings: 2 Thess. 2.1-5, 13-end, Luke 20.27-38

8 am	1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
10.45 am	SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd David Commander followed by ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE WAR MEMORIAL

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Ephesians 1.11-end

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this^b is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God^d put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Luke 6.20-31

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ 'Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷ 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Home Groups:

Sandhurst Home Group: Meets on Monday 3rd November at Sandhurst Mission Church.

Benenden Home Group: Meets on Tuesday 4th November at David & Julia Collard's.

Prayers:

t/I David Barnes: David's funeral service will be on Monday 3rd November at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, this is a private service for the family. **David's Thanksgiving Service will take place at St George's Church at 2pm on Saturday 22nd November.** Revd David

Valuables and Theft: Please do not leave valuables unattended in church *at any time*.

Benefice All Souls' Day Service

7.30 pm, Sunday 2nd November at St George's
Refreshments & fellowship in church from 7pm.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AT ST GEORGE'S

10.45 am - Sunday 9th November

followed by

11.45 am – Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial



LEARN HOW TO MAKE A CHRISTMAS WREATH

Join us in Sandhurst Mission Church
on Saturday 6th December
from 10am to 12 noon.

Coffee and biscuits/cake will be provided.

You will need to bring your own greenery and decorations. Wire
will be supplied.

Wreath frames can be bought online or order one from
Katherine O'Neil 01580 850 159 before 22nd November.

There will be a charge of £5 which will go towards the
St Nicholas Church organ fund.

Christmas Mini Market at The Mission Church

Saturday 22nd November from 10 am to 12 noon

Gifts for all ages, local crafts & festive products, bric a brac, tombola.

Tea, coffee & cake. All welcome!

The Rhythm of Life Choir, Benenden

invites you to **WINTER MAGIC**

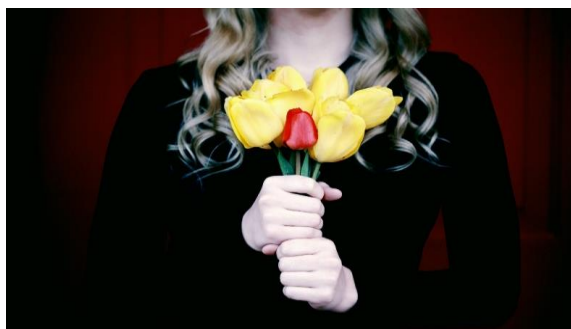
A warm and uplifting concert to help raise money
for the Restore, Renew, Rejoice Project at St George's.

Saturday 22nd November – 7 pm

at St George's, Benenden

Tickets are £10 and include a festive drink and mince pie. Raffle.
Tickets available from Benenden's Community Shop or on the door.

Grief Talks ~ Time to share & reflect



Friday 12th December, 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 Claire Roberts on 01580 754374 or email claireecr57@yahoo.com

Benenden Memorial Hall Bookings: David Collard has now kindly taken this role. David can be contacted via Email: memhallben@gmail.com or Tel: 01580 241 944.

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