St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 13th March The Second Sunday of Lent

Collect: Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 13 th March – The Second Sunday of Lent Readings: Philippians 3.17-4.1, Luke 13.31-end						
8 am		1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen				
10 am	MORNING WORSHIP led by Revd David Commander					
	Hymns:	610 709 131 791	Christ is the world's true light Light of the minds that know him O for a closer walk with God The God of Abraham, praise v 1, 8, 9, 10 only			

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 14 th	8 am 3.30 – 4.30 pm	Morning Prayer at St George's Bellringing - learners' practice
Tuesday 15th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
·	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	6.30 – 7.30 pm	Bellringing – simulator practice
	7.30 pm	Lent Course at Benenden Memorial Hall (Week 2 of 5)
Wednesday 16th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
•	10 am	Coffee Morning at the Memorial Hall
	7 for 7.30 pm	Weald 'Filling Station' at Benenden Primary School
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing practice
Thursday 17 th	10 am	Rhythm of Life Community Choir at St George's
	4.30 – 5.30 pm	Bellringing – simulator practice
	7 pm	Choir Practice
Friday 18th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	9 am	Bellringing – simulator practice
Saturday 19 th	9.30 am	Deanery Treasurers/Churchwardens meeting at St Michael & All Angels Church, Marden

Sunday Next: Sunday 20th March – The Third Sunday of Lent Readings: 1 Corinthians 10.1-13, Luke 13.1-9

8 am HOLY COMMUNION led by Revd David Commander
 10 am SUNG EUCHARIST led by Revd David Commander
 1.30 pm 'Colourstrings': Children's concert at St George's

Readings: Sunday 13th March - The Second Sunday of Lent

Philippians 3.17-4.1

¹⁷ Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. ^{4.1}Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Luke 13.31-end

The Lament over Jerusalem

³¹ At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' ³²He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

Funerals and prayers:

Please hold the following people and their loved ones in your prayers:

t/I **Tom Pugh**: Interment: Monday 28th March, 2.30pm at St Nicholas t/I **Elsie Mattey**: Funeral: Tuesday 29th March, 12.30pm at St George's

Following their funerals last week in Benenden and Sandhurst, we continue to hold **t/l Colin Baxter-Hodd** and t/l **Catharina Conway-Lemmens** in our prayers.

We also hold in our prayers t/I **Terence Weatherley** of Sandhurst, his wife Anita, daughter Julie and all family and friends.



Central Weald Filling Station meets Wednesday 16th March

7 for 7.30 pm at Benenden Primary School Speaker - Alan Cass

Alan is a retired headteacher, who is now part of the leadership team at Eastgate (North Kent).

He is a spiritual father to many, often speaking about the Father heart of God.

Benenden & Sandhurst Home Groups: During Lent both home groups are attending our Lent course, details below:

"Be Still" Lent Course

Our five week Lent course began last week. We meet on **Tuesdays at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall, Benenden**. Refreshments will be provided.

The course is based upon a 24-7 Prayer resource, "Be Still. A Simple Guide to Quiet Times", written by Brian Heasley.

It is about allowing ourselves, in all the busyness and distractions of life, to spend time with God; time listening *to* God, not just talking *at* Him in our prayer. I hope that this is something that will help all of us not only in Lent but will give us a discipline in our lives that enables us all to draw closer to God. The book is available to purchase on-line should you wish to, but it is not necessary for the course.

Each evening there will be a 10-15 minute video followed by time to discuss together the material and how we can each learn to "be still". Through the five weeks we will do this through the themes of: Encounter, Scripture, Wonder, Hiddenness and Mission. I hope you will be able to find time in your busyness to "be still" in our Lent Course. Revd David

St George's Electoral Roll: The revision of the St George's Church Electoral Roll closes on Sunday 20th March. Anyone wishing to apply to join the Roll or be removed from it should contact David Collard at 7 Fuggles Court, Benenden, TN17 4EF or Tel 01580 241944 or email Julia.Collard@btinternet.com. There are application forms at the back of the church and, once completed, they can be left at the back of the church marked for the attention of David Collard. This year's APCM will be on Monday 4th April at 7.30 pm at Benenden Memorial Hall.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH, BENENDEN

Mothering Sunday



Family Service

27th March 2022 - 10 am

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PALM SUNDAY

10th April 2022



9 am Coffee and Croissants in the Memorial Hall

followed by procession to Church for 10 am Service for Palm Sunday

"Colourstrings": A young children's music group will be using St George's Church for a concert next Sunday afternoon, 20th March.

Grand Benenden Charity Auction

of

Antiques and Objets de Vertu

Saturday 26 March 2022 at 7.00 pm in Benenden Village Hall

St George's Church warmly invites you to a fun evening with our own TV celebrity auction expert Raj Bisram



Tickets: £15 per head include a light supper

Pay Bar Live Music Raffle

Please note that all items are donated and all profits will go to St George's Church, here in Benenden.

> To reserve a place or donate an item for auction please contact:

Sally Ann Marks sallymarks100@hotmail.com 01580 243141 or 07990 585753

The Auction Lots can be viewed in the Village Hall on Saturday 26 March between 2.30 and 4.30 pm when bids may be left with the organisers.

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