St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 11th April The Second Sunday of Easter

Collect: Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 11th April – The Second Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 4.32-35, John 20.19-end

PUBLIC WORSHIP IN CHURCH

8 am HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S

led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

10 am HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS

led by Lyn Hayes, David Harmsworth & Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 12th	8am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Tuesday 13 th	8am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Wednesday 14 th	8am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
Friday 16th	8am	Morning Prayer via Zoom

Zoom link to Morning Prayer:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3971102878?pwd=UkpkY2R2Z1IXbmJqNUdzdzB2RVZUUT09

Meeting ID: 397 110 2878 Passcode: 658989

Sunday Next: 18th April – The Third Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 3.12-19, Luke 24.36b-48

PUBLIC WORSHIP IN CHURCH

8 am HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS

led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

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Acts 4.32-35

The Believers Share Their Possessions

³² Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

John 20.19-end

Jesus Appears to the Disciples

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Jesus and Thomas

- ²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'
- ²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' ²⁸Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' ²⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

The Purpose of This Book

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Benenden Memorial Hall

The Memorial Hall has not been open since March 2020 due to Coronavirus restrictions but we hope to be able to open the premises in the near future after a thorough clean and complete sanitise are carried out.

Applications to rent the hall should still be sent to Jackie Liffen:

Email: memhall@daisystar.co.uk

We hope to be able to open the hall from 21st June for normal use but may be able to open for small groups from 17th May.

In the meantime, we need to find a replacement cleaner.

If anyone is interested please contact David Collard on 01580 241944 for details.

The Electoral Roll is about to be revised and will be open from Sunday 18th April and will close on Sunday 2nd May. Application forms can be found at the back of the church. Anyone wishing to apply to join the roll should fill in an application form and either leave it at the back of the church for the attention of David Collard or deliver it to 7 Fuggles Court.



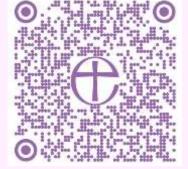
We hold the Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen, and the royal family in our prayers at this time.

New Covid guidelines prohibit the use of a physical Book of Condolence. You are invited to complete your message of condolence on-line at:

https://www.churchofengland.org/remembering-his-royal-highness-prince-philip

You can access this page using this QR code:

Prayers will be said during our two services in the benefice on Sunday 11th April.



The royal family have requested donations to charities rather than flowers being left at public places.

Christian Aid week 2021:



Tracy Claridge has set up a Benenden & Iden Green JustGiving page for Christian Aid 2021. Our target this year is £3,000.

The link, available via the St George's Church website and Facebook pages, is here:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cawbig?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=cawbig&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=5f87d56c73df487187c842b14d0b35cb

Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. When you donate your money is sent directly to Christian Aid.

So it is the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

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