

# St George's Church, Benenden

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

## Our Worship: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

**Collect:** Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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 20<sup>th</sup> October – Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

*Readings: Hebrews 5.1-10, Mark 10.35-45*

<b>8 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b> led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
<b>10 am</b>	<b>SUNG EUCHARIST</b> led by Revd David Commander
	<i>Hymns:</i> 357 <i>All people that on earth do dwell</i>
	823 <i>Who would true valour see</i>
	324 <i>Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult</i>
	(HC) 250 <i>Holy Spirit, truth divine</i>
	628 <i>Father of heaven, whose love profound</i>

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Please note: Revd David and Helen will be away next weekend for Bonnie's baptism.**

Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie <i>No Benenden Home Group today</i>
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
	7 pm	Learning & Sharing the Faith – meeting via Zoom
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 11.30 am	Community Choir at St George's
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	4 pm	<b>CONNECT FOUR at Sandhurst Mission Church</b>

### Sunday Next: 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

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**Hebrews 5.1-10**

<sup>5</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

‘You are my Son,

today I have begotten you’;

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

‘You are a priest for ever,

according to the order of Melchizedek.’

<sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Mark 10.35-45**

<sup>35</sup> James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, ‘Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.’ <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, ‘What is it you want me to do for you?’ <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, ‘Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.’ <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, ‘You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?’ <sup>39</sup>They replied, ‘We are able.’ Then Jesus said to them, ‘The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.’

<sup>41</sup> When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, ‘You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.’

**Brass Cleaning at St George’s:** Now is the time to start 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' Day "The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed":** Our annual service to remember loved ones who have died and to light candles in their memory will take place **at St George's at 7.30pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** this year. The names of those who have died in the last three years - associated with Benenden and with Sandhurst - will automatically be on the list, but if there are other names you would like reading out, please send the names to Cathy Baker our Parish Administrator by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Cathy's email is: [benendenchurch@gmail.com](mailto:benendenchurch@gmail.com)

**Benenden Home Group:** There will be no meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, but **we will meet again on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October.**

Regrettably, a difficult decision has been made, the Wealden Consort Concert at St Nicholas, scheduled for next Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> October, has now been cancelled, due to lack of advance ticket sales.

The annual quiz, in aid of the Friends of St George's, will take place this year on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 7pm for 7.30pm start, at Benenden Village Hall, tickets £18 to include a Ploughman's supper. Gather up your friends, tables of 8, and have some fun answering a range of questions to suit everyone. For further information and to book a table please contact Deborah Jenkins on [deborahjenkins26@btinternet.com](mailto:deborahjenkins26@btinternet.com) Tel: 01580 240 454.

## 'CONNECT FOUR'

*Our informal family service*

**4pm - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

**at Sandhurst Mission Church, Back Road TN18 5JU**



***Come along and connect with:***

***- family and friends - tea, coffee, cake - the Bible - worship - and God!  
Refreshments throughout.***

## **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 is currently walking the English Camino in memory of Louise Nicholson raising 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>

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