

# St George's Church, Benenden

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

## Our Worship: Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 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: 24<sup>th</sup> October - Bible Sunday

*Readings: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, John 5:36b-end*

**8 am**                    **HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S**  
led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

**10 am**                   **HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS**  
led by Revd David Commander & Vicki Young

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Revd David is on holiday from today, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October, returning for the All Souls' Service on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November (to request a name to be read please email [benendenchurch@gmail.com](mailto:benendenchurch@gmail.com) or leave a voicemail message on Tel 01580 850 849).**

**Should you require the services of a priest during this time please contact your churchwardens: David Collard Tel 241 944 Sue Fisher Tel 2471 907**

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	8 pm	Home Group at Julia & David Collard's
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 11.30 am	Rhythm of Life Community Choir at St George's

### Sunday next: 31<sup>st</sup> October – All Saints' Day

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

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**10 am**                   **HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S**  
led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & David Harmsworth

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**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?'

**All Souls' Service at St George's  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
at 7.30pm**

led by Revd David & Revd Rosemary

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please email [benendenchurch@gmail.com](mailto:benendenchurch@gmail.com)*

*or leave a message at the Benefice Office Tel 01580 850 849  
or enter your request on the form at the back of church  
by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October*

***(Please do not email requests to Revd David or leave messages  
at the Rectory - he is now on holiday)***

## **Church Services from November – some changes:**

We are returning to an 8 o'clock and a 10 o'clock service every Sunday at St George's:

- The 8 o'clock service will be Communion every week.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month will be a 1662 BCP Communion
- The 10 o'clock service will alternate between Communion and Morning Worship every other week.  
The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month will be a Sung Eucharist service

The pattern is skewed in November by 14<sup>th</sup> November being Remembrance Sunday. The Remembrance service will start at 10.45am.

In January we will reintroduce Choral Evensong - 5pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month.

The midweek Communion service continues at 10 o'clock on a Tuesday morning at the Mission Church in Sandhurst.

If you have any questions, please speak to Revd David or one of the Churchwardens: Sue Fisher or David Collard.

# **Christmas Mini Market at the Mission Church**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
10am – 12.30pm**



**Stalls include produce, cakes, Christmas goodies,  
Christmas cards, jewellery, presents.  
Refreshments.**

**This year, instead of a Grand Draw, we will have a  
TOMBOLA (the £200 cash prize draw will be spent on  
spirits, wine and prizes.)**

*Donations of cakes, bric a brac and prizes would be most welcome. ATW*

**Home Groups in Benenden and Sandhurst:**

**The Home Group at the Mission Church, Sandhurst is now on a Monday evening.** This term we are looking at some of the Psalms together. This is a social time, chatting with a tea/coffee, and then talking about a bit of scripture and how it might apply to us today. **Please join us at 7.30pm on Mondays at the Mission Church, Sandhurst.** Revd David

**The Tuesday Home Group meets at Julia & David Collard's, 7 Fuggles Court, Benenden at 8pm.** For more information, please contact David Collard 01580 241944

**A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Alan Picket will take place at St George's on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm. All are invited to attend.** The Cremation will have taken place before then, attended only by the family. Revd Rosemary

**More books from Dick Dengate:** Some of you will no doubt be aware that the Revd Dick Dengate has already had books published. Indeed, you may already own one or more of them. However, he has recently produced two more books – 'A Sundry Array of Pictures. Thoughts and Songs' (Reflecting a life of Farming, Family and Faith) and also 'Around the World with Irene' (A million shared memories from journeys around the world with my wife). The latter is a collection of photographs. These are available to purchase at a cost of £7.50 each. Dick would be happy to donate £2.50 of this to the church. The remainder will go towards the cost of the initial printing. If you would like to buy a copy of one or both of these please contact Katherine O'Neil – 01580 850159.

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