

St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 26th September The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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 26th September - The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Harvest at St Nicholas

Readings: St George's: James 5.13-end, Mark 9.38-end

St Nicholas (HARVEST): 2 Corinthians 9.6-15, Luke 12:16-31

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie
10 am	HARVEST HOLY COMMUNION - FAMILY SERVICE - AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen <i>followed by harvest brunch</i>
12 noon	Memorial Service t/l Charles Lenox- Conyngham at St George's

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 27 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Home Group at the Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 28 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Funeral of t/l Stella Penny at St George's
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 29 th	8 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 – 11.30 am	Coffee Shop at Benenden Memorial Hall
	8 pm	Home Group Social at Julia & David Collard's
Thursday 30 th	10 – 11.30 am	Rhythm of Life Community Choir at St George's
	7 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Friday 1 st	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9 – 11am	Cakes & Chaos at St George's
	2.30 pm	BPS Harvest Service at St George's

Sunday Next: 3rd October - The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Harvest at St George's

Readings: St Nicholas: Hebrews 1.1-4 & 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

St George's HARVEST: 2 Cor. 9.6-15; Luke 12.16-31

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS
<u>11 am</u>	HARVEST HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie <i>followed by harvest lunch in church</i>

Readings: Sunday 26th September - The 17th Sunday after Trinity

James 5.13-end

The Prayer of Faith

¹³ Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Mark 9.38-end

Another Exorcist

³⁸ John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' ³⁹But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

Temptations to Sin

⁴² 'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.

⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell.' ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹ 'For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

Memorial Service t/l Charles Lenox- Conyngham: Revd Andrew Lenox-Conyngham is conducting a Memorial Service for his brother, Charles, **today, Sunday 26th September at 12 noon** at St George's Church. **Everyone is welcome to attend this service.**

We keep Charles' family in our prayers at this time. Revd David

Home Groups in Benenden and Sandhurst:

The Home Group at the Mission Church, Sandhurst will be starting up again next week after a long Covid-enforced break. ***We are, however, moving it from a Wednesday evening to a Monday evening.*** This term we are going to be looking at some of the Psalms together. There are usually seven of us, but more are always welcome. It's 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 come and join us; 7.30pm, Monday 27th September, at the Mission Church, Sandhurst.** Revd David

The Tuesday Home Group will hold a Social Evening on Tuesday 5th October at 7 Fuggles Court at 8pm. to discuss how this group will run in the future. Anyone who is interested in exploring aspects of the Bible is very welcome to come along. David Collard 01580 241944

Harvest Service & Harvest Lunch at St George's Sunday 3rd October.



Our Harvest service at St George's is at 11am next Sunday.

The Harvest Lunch follows straight after the morning service. We will provide a simple ploughman's lunch followed by apple or fruit cake with tea or coffee.

We are asking for a minimum donation of £7 per person (payable on the day) which will include a glass of wine.

Any surplus funds will be donated to Water Aid.

Please can you let us know if you wish to attend as this helps with catering arrangements.

You can sign up at the back of church or please email ASAP

Rev David : revdavidcommandermail.com

or Sally Anne- Marks: sallymarks100@hotmail.com

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Alan Picket will take place at St George's on Thursday 4th 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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