



**United Benefice of
St Peter's Church, Ightham & St George's Church, Wrotham**
Gathering in Community - Growing in Christ - Going in Service



Sunday 12th October – Trinity 17

St Peter's, Ightham

**10am Holy Communion
Harvest Festival**

Led by the Venerable Nick Cornell

St George's, Wrotham

9am Breakfast@Church

Led by Michelle Lawson

10:30am Service of the Word

Led by Michelle Lawson

Coming up at St Peter's, Ightham

Tues 14 th Oct	4:30pm	Bell Ringing practice
Weds 15th Oct	10am	Holy Communion led by Revd Christopher Johnson
	10:15am	Community Coffee Shop in the Church Centre
Thurs 9 th Oct	9:30am	Oasis women's group
	10am	Parent & Toddler Group in Church Centre
	pm	Ightham School Community afternoon
Sun 19th Oct	10am	Service of the Word led by John Webster
	6pm	Evensong led by Chris Weet (LLM Twydall)

Coming up at St George's, Wrotham

Mon 13 th Oct	9:15am	St George's PS Harvest service
	6:45pm	Online prayer group
	7:45pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Tues 14 th Oct	10:30am	Charity coffee morning
Thurs 16 th Oct	7:30pm	Choir Practice
Fri 17 th Oct	10am	Church Flowers
Sun 19th Oct	10:30am	Holy Communion led by Revd Elizabeth Chapman

Future dates for your diaries

Sun 26th Oct	4pm	In Loving Memory service at St Peter's, Ightham
Sun 2nd Nov	4pm	Memorial & Thanksgiving service at St George's, Wrotham
Fri 7 th Nov	2-4pm	'Pudding Club' at St George's, Wrotham
Sun 16 th Nov	11am	Fairtrade stall in church centre at St Peter's, Ightham
Sun 30th Nov	10am	Benefice Holy Communion at St Peter's, Ightham
	6pm	4-Parish Advent Service at Church of the Good Shepherd, BG

Benefice Notices

A huge thank you...

... to everyone who supported the Macmillan coffee morning. It was a very happy and successful morning, and we have sent the amazing sum of £1,000 to Macmillan.



Ightham Notices

Churchyard 'Tidy-up' – Sat 11th October from 10am

There will be a churchyard working party to do some general 'tidying-up'. Please bring gardening tools and gloves, and dress for the weather. Refreshments will be provided.

Fairtrade Stall – Sunday 16th November

There will be a stall selling fairtrade products after the 10am service on Sunday 16th November. Advent calendars can be ordered in advance, price £4.95 - please give your order and money to me by Thursday 6th November. They will be available for collection when the Fairtrade stall comes on Sunday 16th November.

Sunday morning refreshments

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Centre after the 10am service. If you can help with these or with serving breakfast at Breakfast@Church, please sign up for a date on the rota – there are lots of spaces to fill! If you are doing it for the first time, let us know and we can link you up with someone more experienced. Sign up via the link or email Jane admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk or ring her on 07940 547310 or speak to Naomi on Sunday. Rota link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FcSeTJHfXr2KSMNyDkGUQrPNs7OUfZtf333dhdyHOiE/edit?usp=sharing>

Donating to St Peters, Ightham

Donations can be made by debit or credit card anytime the church is open, by using the card machine at the back of church. Alternatively, you can donate via our Just Giving Page using the QR code or the link below <https://www.justgiving.com/stpeterschurch-ightham> Please contact the treasurer if you would like to set up regular giving or to Gift Aid your donations. Email treasurer@ighthamchurch.org.uk Thank you for your support.



Wrotham Notices

Church Tower Clock

We are aware that the clock on the church tower is not working at the moment and are in the process of organising it's repair.

Church Cleaning – Weds 29th October 10am

There will be a church cleaning morning on 29th October from 10am. Please bring your own cleaning equipment eg. dusters, brushes, dustpan, vacuum cleaner etc. Refreshments will be provided.

Donating to St George's, Wrotham

If you would like to make a one-off donation to St George's Church, you can do so via the online link <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/2b1bcc92-1729-4d4f-93b8-3cb86deb8bad> Please contact the treasurer if you would like to set up regular giving or Gift Aid your donations. Email treasurer@wrothamchurch.org Thank you for your support



Our local Food Bank

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Borough Green operates a weekly food bank, offering support to local families and individuals who cannot afford the essentials in life.

Donations of non-perishable goods can be left in the boxes at the back of St Peter's Church or St George's Church or taken directly to COGS. They would also be pleased to receive donations of unopened toiletries. They are not able to accept any homemade foods.

Thank you for your generosity which continues to make a difference.

General stocks are very low at the moment, please support the foodbank if you can

FOODBANK 6/10/25	
Biscuits	LOW
Pasta Sauce	LOW
Pasta	LOW
Rice, Spaghetti, Noodles	LOW
Coffee, Tea, Hot Choc	V. LOW
Breakfast Bars	LOW
Cereal	LOW
Puddings / Tinned fruit	LOW
Soup	LOW
Tinned meat products	LOW
Tinned Tomatoes	LOW
Baked Beans	LOW
Long life Milk	V. LOW
Cartons of juice / squash	LOW
Sweetcorn	LOW
Other tinned Veg	LOW
Tuna & other tinned fish	LOW
Spag Hoops/ Mac Cheese	LOW
Crisps	LOW
Chick Peas, lentils etc	LOW
MARMITE/PEANUT BUTTER. Sam	V. LOW

Benefice Contacts:

Rector: Benefice in Vacancy

Safeguarding Lead: Finn Lawson: 07796 783013 safeguarding@ighthamchurch.org.uk

Benefice Administrator: Jane

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Pastoral Help: Linda 01732 369737

Friends of St George's:

friends@wrothamchurch.org

Regular Activities in the Benefice

Mondays

Prayer Group via Zoom Every Monday 6:45pm **except Bank holidays**. This group meets online to pray for the world, the parish and wider community. If you have a prayer request, please telephone Linda on T: 01732 369737 M: 07790464789 or send an email to prayer@wrothamchurch.org Also contact her if you wish to be added to the email St George's 'prayer circle.'

Tuesdays

St George's Charity coffee morning Tuesdays 10:30am – 12:30pm in **St George's church, Wrotham**. Homemade cakes, hot drinks and friendly chat. Funds raised are split between our nominated charity and St George's projects & maintenance - **Our charity for October is the Diocese Poverty & Hope Appeal**

Wednesdays

St Peter's Community Coffee Shop Wednesdays 10:15am – 11.45am in the **Church Centre, Ightham**. Homemade cakes, fresh coffee and good company. Raising money for charity and St Peter's – **Our charity for Oct & Nov is COGS Food Bank in Borough Green**.

Prayer & Praise via Zoom 7:45pm on 1st Weds of the month. This group meets online for shared prayer and meditation.

Connect Group via Zoom 2nd & 4th Wed evenings - online home group & Bible study. For more info email John Webster llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk

Thursdays

Oasis Weekly, Thursday mornings. Ladies fellowship group. For details please email Bridget at oasis@ighthamchurch.org.uk

Parent and Toddler Group Thursdays 10am in St Peter's Church Centre, during term time. Offering friendly chat, toys for the children and a cup of tea. Contact: Kirsty Mitchem 01732 885072

Saturdays

Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month 8:30am at the George and Dragon, Ightham. £13 per person. Booking essential. Email John llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk to register.

Next Breakfast - **Saturday 8th November**



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16th October 2025 - 7.00pm
St Mary's Church Hall Kippington
TN13 2LL

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Guest Presentation:

Reflect, Connect, Communicate:
Strengthening Relationship
Dynamics

Lindsay Schofield, Consultant Psychotherapist

Lindsay is a Consultant Psychotherapist with a private practice in Surrey. For over two decades, she has provided treatment and support to individuals, couples, and professionals, helping with a wide range of emotional and mental health challenges. Her approach is relational, it is important to her that each person feels heard and understood. In partnership with her clients and supervisees, she seeks to help make sense of their challenges, to identify goals, and then to purposefully integrate information and skills to help them make the changes they want and need.

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