# Sundays at 9.15 am & 11 am

At Penhurst and Ashburnham we aim to be churches that are accessible to everyone; to be a place where people feel welcome and can experience something of the love of God.

Gathering together is part of our regular rhythm as Christians. We come together to worship God each Sunday, at 9.15 am at Penhurst (TN33 9QP) and at 11 am at Ashburnham (TN33 9NE), to sing hymns and songs, pray, listen to God's word, support and encourage each other, and to remember with bread and wine what Jesus has done for us.

At Penhurst we use the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), while at Ashburnham Common Worship (CW) is used primarily. These services reflect the traditional and contemporary breadth of liturgy in the Church of England and, with Ashburnham Chapel, seek to offer services which are welcoming, meaningful and accessible to all.

After each service refreshments are served at both churches. At Ashburnham prayer ministry is available for any who wish to be prayed for, and there are activity packs for children aged 4+.

Occasionally the two congregations worship together, usually whenever there is a fifth Sunday in the month. For details of the services at each of the churches please visit the website or sign up for 'The Post'.





Home Home Groups provide Groups an informal opportunity to meet together

around God's Word, the Bible, to encourage one another, to pray together, to discuss or ask questions, and grow in Christian fellowship. Fellowship Groups are an 'open door' to anyone who wishes to come along - all are welcome!. There are currently two mid-week Home Groups, meeting on alternate Wednesday evenings and Thursday afternoons, plus a Women's Bible Study meeting on alternate Wednesday mornings. Please visit our website, or refer to 'The Post' or contact Revd Gary.

# **Prayer Hour**

Prayer lies at the very heart of a Christian's relationship with the living God and we want to encourage one another in the discipline and joy of daily prayer. We make sure it is a feature of our coming together as a church family each Sunday, both through lay-led intercessions and a Prayer Ministry Team (at Ashburnham), and at our monthly Prayer Hour. The Prayer Hour takes place in the Church Hall (and on zoom between November & March) on the third Tuesday of each month between 7.30 pm and 8.30 pm. All welcome.

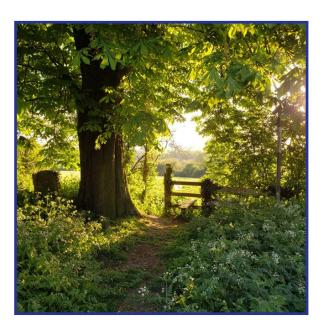
# **THE POST**

'The Post' is our monthly Newsletter containing details of worship services, activities, news items, prayer requests and occasional.

To contribute items please contact Rachel (rachel@bickersteth.net) and to subscribe email David: DAmos78261@aol.com

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## January 2026

4 EPIPHANY (Matthew 2: 1-18)



- 11 THE BAPTISM OF JESUS (Matthew 3:13-17)
- 18 THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS (Matthew 4:1-11)
- THE 'CHARTER' OF JESUS (Luke 4:14-22)

# **February**

- 1 PLOUGH SUNDAY (Village Hall at 11 am)
- 8 THE TEACHING OF JESUS (Matthew 5:1-13)
- 15 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS (Matthew 17:1-9)
- 22 THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS (Matthew 9:9-13)

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#### March

- 1 THE ATTRACTION OF JESUS (Matthew 4:18-22)
- 8 THE AUTHENTICITY OF JESUS (Matthew 7:24-29)
- 15 THE COMPASSION OF JESUS (Matthew 8:14-17)
- 22 THE APPEAL OF JESUS (Matthew 16:13-25)
- 29 **PALM SUNDAY** (Matthew 21:1-11)

## **April**

- 5 **EASTER DAY** (Matthew 28:1-10)
- 12 JESUS APPEARS TO HIS DISCIPLES (John 20: 19-31)
- 19 JESUS APPEARS ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS (Luke 24: 13-35)
- 26 JESUS THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE (John 11:17-37)

'PORTRAITS OF CHRIST...' Imagine for a moment that you were one of the Gospel writers, aiming to capture the significance of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. What would you include?

This term we shall be exploring some of the 'portraits' of Jesus mainly in Matthew's gospel - this coincides with the Diocesan vision: to know, love and follow Jesus. Every Sunday, our Gospel reading will add another brushstroke to our picture of Christ. As we see Jesus fulfil God's promise we'll be encouraged and equipped to live out the 'Mystery of Faith' in everyday life.



#### **MEN'S BREAKFASTS**

7 FEBRUARY & 18 APRIL @

**8.30am** An informal gathering consisting of cooked breakfast, great company & a guest speaker.



# PLOUGH SUNDAY SERVICE on 1 February 11.00 am @ The Village Hall, followed by a light lunch.



#### **HAZEL LODGE SERVICE**

At 10.45 am on the following Thursdays: 15 January; 19 February; 19 March & 16 April



ASH WEDNESDAY
HOLY COMMUNION
Wednesday 18 February
10.30 am @ St Peter's

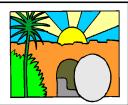


**MOTHERING SUNDAY** 

**SUNDAY 15th MARCH** 



**EASTER 2026**See Parish
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'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.'

**Romans 15 v.13**