



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



## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> September 2026

### St Peter's, Ightham

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Trinity 14**

**9am Breakfast@Church**

Led by Michelle Lawson

**No Evensong**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Trinity 15**

**10am Holy Communion**

Led by Revd Christopher Johnson

### St George's, Wrotham

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Trinity 14**

**10:30am Holy Communion**

Led by Revd Christopher Johnson

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Trinity 15**

**9am Breakfast@Church**

Led by Michelle Lawson

**10:30am Service of the Word**

Led by Michelle Lawson

### This week at St Peter's, Ightham

|                                  |                |                                                       |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept        | 4:30pm         | Bell Ringing practice                                 |
| <b>Weds 9<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>10am</b>    | <b>Morning Prayer</b>                                 |
|                                  | 10:15am        | Community Coffee Shop in Church Centre                |
| Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept      | 9:30am         | Oasis Women's group                                   |
|                                  | 10am           | Toddler Group                                         |
| <b>Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>11am</b>    | <b>FUNERAL – James Hickey</b>                         |
|                                  | 1:30pm         | WI Mahjong Group                                      |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept        | 8:30pm         | Men's Breakfast at G&D Ightham – booking required     |
|                                  | 10am           | Churchyard 'tidy-up'                                  |
|                                  | All Day        | Kent Ride & Stride                                    |
| <b>Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>9am</b>     | <b>Holy Communion</b> led by Revd Christopher Johnson |
|                                  | <b>12:15pm</b> | <b>BAPTISM</b>                                        |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept        | 7:30pm         | PCC Meeting                                           |
| Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept       | 4:30pm         | Bell Ringing Practice                                 |
| <b>Weds 16<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>10am</b>    | <b>Holy Communion</b> led by Revd Christopher Johnson |
|                                  | 10:15am        | Community Coffee Shop in Church Centre                |
| Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept      | 9:30am         | Oasis Womens' Group                                   |
|                                  | 10am           | Toddler Group                                         |
| <b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>Noon</b>    | <b>BAPTISM</b>                                        |
| <b>Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>  | <b>10am</b>    | <b>Service of the Word</b> led by John Webster        |
|                                  | <b>6pm</b>     | <b>Evensong</b>                                       |

### This week at **St George's, Wrotham**

|                                 |                |                                                   |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept        | 6:45pm         | Prayer Group                                      |
|                                 | 7:45pm         | Bell Ringing practice                             |
| Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept       | 10:30am        | Charity Coffee morning                            |
| Weds 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept       | 6:30pm         | FoSGs Committee Meeting in church                 |
|                                 | 7pm            | FoSGs AGM in church                               |
| Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept     | 9:30am         | Oasis Women's group                               |
|                                 | 5:30pm         | Visiting bell ringers                             |
|                                 | 7:30pm         | Choir Practice                                    |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept       | 8:30am         | Mens Breakfast at G&D Ightham – booking required  |
|                                 | All Day        | Kent Ride & Stride                                |
| <b>Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>9am</b>     | <b>Breakfast@Church</b> led by Michelle Lawson    |
|                                 | <b>10:30am</b> | <b>Service of the Word</b> led by Michelle Lawson |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept       | 6:45pm         | Prayer Group                                      |
|                                 | 7:45pm         | Bell Ringing Practice                             |
| Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept      | 10:30am        | Charity Coffee Morning                            |
|                                 | 8pm            | PCC Meeting                                       |
| Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept     | 7:30pm         | Choir Practice                                    |
| <b>Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Sept</b> | <b>10:30am</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b> led by Revd Liz Chapman     |

### Future dates for your diaries

|                             |             |                                                                |
|-----------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept  | 10am - noon | Macmillan Coffee Morning at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a> |
| Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 7:30pm      | Standing Committee Meeting (on Teams)                          |
| Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> October | Time TBC    | Harvest Supper at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a>           |
| Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct    | 8:30am      | Men's Breakfast at G&D Ightham – booking required              |
|                             | 10am        | Churchyard working party at <a href="#">St Peter's Ightham</a> |

## Benefice Notices

### Kent Ride & Stride – Saturday 12th September

#### Walkers and Cyclists needed!

We will once again be supporting Kent Ride & Stride and both churches will be open, with refreshments available at St George's, Wrotham.

If you would like to take part and support either church by walking or cycling around Kent churches and collecting sponsorship, please speak to Linda at Wrotham T: 01732 369737 or email Jane at [admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk) for more details and a sponsorship form.



### Macmillan Coffee Morning at [St Peter's, Ightham Church Centre](#)

#### Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 10am-noon

Fresh coffee, homemade cakes and good company! Plus, a raffle and a 'bring & buy' stall on the theme of Autumn Colours and Flavours. Please come and support this good cause. Everyone welcome.



## Ightham Notices

### No Evensong Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September

There will be no evening service on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

### Men's Breakfast - Sat 12<sup>th</sup> September 8:30am at The George & Dragon, Ightham

£13 per person. Please let John Webster know at [inhjk.webster@btinternet.com](mailto:inhjk.webster@btinternet.com) if you'd like to come.

### Churchyard 'tidy up' – Saturday 12th September 10am – 12noon

There will be a working party to tidy up the churchyard. There is plenty to be done to keep our churchyard as a haven for both people and wildlife and many hands make light work. Please bring your own tools. Coffee and biscuits will be provided.

### St Peter's Churchyard – A Parish consultation

#### - finding the balance between taming the plants and supporting nature in the churchyard

The St Peter's Green team are drafting a new maintenance plan for the churchyard and are interested to hear your thoughts to find the right balance between leaving areas wild to support local biodiversity and keeping the churchyard well-groomed and accessible. The online surveys should only take a few minutes to complete and can be found by clicking here: <https://forms.gle/Yo3HKxxvCA3HanFB8>

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions.

### Sunday morning refreshments

Please join us for refreshments in the Church Centre after the 10am service. If you can help with these, or 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 link, email Jane [admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk) or speak to Naomi on Sunday.

Rota link: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FcSeTJHfxr2KSMNyDkGUQrPNs7OUfZtf333dhdyHOiE/edit?usp=sharing>

#### September help needed as follows:

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September – another volunteer to help Kate**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September – another volunteer to help Maria**

### 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](mailto:treasurer@ighthamchurch.org.uk) Thank you for your support.



## Wrotham Notices

### The Big Band Concert – Sat 10<sup>th</sup> October 7:30pm

Come along and hear the 25 piece band play a variety of 'big band' music, including swing, latin rock and pop numbers. Wine and soft drinks will be available in the interval. See attached flyer.

Tickets cost £15 and are available in church on Tuesday and Sunday mornings or online via the link <https://givealittle.co/c/bigbandconcert101026>

## 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](mailto: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 so please support the foodbank if you can**

| FOOD BANK 1/9/26          |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Biscuits                  | V. LOW |
| Pasta Sauce               | LOW    |
| Pasta                     | LOW    |
| Rice, Spaghetti, Noodles  | LOW    |
| Coffee, Tea, Hot Choc     | V. LOW |
| Breakfast Bars            | LOW    |
| Cereal                    | LOW    |
| Puddings / Tinned fruit   | OK     |
| Soup                      | OK     |
| Tinned meat products      | LOW    |
| Tinned Tomatoes           | LOW    |
| Baked Beans               | LOW    |
| Long life Milk            | V. LOW |
| Cartons of juice / squash | V. LOW |
| Sweetcorn                 | LOW    |
| Other tinned Veg          | V. LOW |
| Tuna & other tinned fish  | V. LOW |
| Spag Hoops/ Mac Cheese    | LOW    |
| Crisps                    | LOW    |
| Chick Peas, lentils etc   | LOW    |
| MARMITE/PEANUT BUTTER.    | V. LOW |
| Sam                       |        |
| BAGS NEEDED PLEASE        | V. LOW |

## Benefice Contacts

**Rector:** Benefice in Vacancy

**Safeguarding Lead:** Finn Lawson 07796 783013 [safeguarding@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

**Benefice Administrator:** Jane 07940 547310

[admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@ighthamchurch.org.uk) or [administrator@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:administrator@wrothamchurch.org)

9am – 1pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

### St Peter's Ightham Contacts

#### Churchwarden

Naomi Webster: 07421 832919  
[churchwardens@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:churchwardens@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

#### Lay Ministers:

John Webster: 01732 884819  
E: [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk)  
Michelle Lawson: 01634 240598

### St George's Wrotham Contacts

#### Churchwarden

Trish Bradshaw: 01732 885326  
[churchwardens@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:churchwardens@wrothamchurch.org)

**Pastoral Help:** Linda 01732 369737

#### Friends of St George's:

[friends@wrothamchurch.org](mailto: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: 07790 464789 or send an email to [prayer@wrothamchurch.org](mailto:prayer@wrothamchurch.org) Also contact her if you wish to be added to the email '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 divided between our nominated charity and St George's projects & maintenance - **Our charity for August is Pilsdon Community**.

### 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 September is Hearing Dogs for the Deaf**.

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

**Connect Group via Zoom** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed 7:45pm - online home group & Bible study. For more info email John Webster [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk)

### Thursdays

**Oasis** Weekly, Thursday mornings. Ladies fellowship group. For details please email Bridget at [oasis@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:oasis@ighthamchurch.org.uk) resumes after summer break on 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

**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

Now on summer break - we will resume again on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

### Saturdays

**Men's Breakfast** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month 8:30am at the George and Dragon, Ightham. £13 per person. Booking essential. Email John [llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk](mailto:llm@ighthamchurch.org.uk) to register.  
Next Breakfast will be **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

# It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

**Let's do whatever it takes to make cancer  
care better for everyone, whoever and  
wherever they are**

**Place:** St Peter's Church Centre, TN15 9JD

**Date:** Wednesday 23rd September

**Time:** 10 am - noon

**RAFFLE.**

**BRING & BUY**

**on the theme of Autumn Colours & Flavours.**



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Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland. MAC20383

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

# Bexley Phoenix Choir Concert

*Directed by John MacKenzie - Accompanied by Richard Cooper  
With the Preston Ensemble*

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2026 - 7.00pm**

***St John the Baptist, Meopham  
Wrotham Rd, DA13 0AA***

*A varied programme of sacred and secular music including:*

*Gloria - A. Vivaldi*

*All The Things You Are - J. Kern*

*Blue Moon - R. Rogers*

*Rhythm of Life - Coleman*

**Tickets £10.00 - Students £5.00 - 16 & under Free**

**Available from Pat Shelbrooke 01732 823745**

**Or on the door, cash or card accepted**



**Come and hear this  
vibrant Choir  
returning again to  
St John's singing  
sacred, secular and  
contemporary  
songs. Something  
for everyone!**

**St George's Church, Wrotham TN15 7AH**  
**The Friends of St George's Church**  
**present**

# **The Big Band Concert**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2026**  
**7.30pm**



A twenty-five-piece Big Band, with saxophones, trumpets, trombones and a rhythm section that includes keyboard, bass and electric guitars and a vocalist, playing a variety of Big Band music, including swing, Latin, rock and pop.

Wine & soft drinks will be available during the interval

**TICKETS (in advance): £15**

Online: <https://givealittle.co/c/bigbandconcert101026>

**At the Church:** Tuesday & Sunday mornings  
& on the door

