The Benefice of St George's, Benenden & St Nicholas Church, Sandhurst

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

Our Worship: Sunday 31st July The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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 31 st July – The Seventh Sunday after Trinity Readings: Colossians 3.1-11, Luke 12.13-21					
8 am		BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen			
10 am		BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie & Lyn Hayes			
	Hymns:	317 56 63 226	Lord, the light of your love Be thou my vision Blest are the pure in heart I cannot tell		

THE WEEK AHEAD

Revd David is now on holiday and sabbatical until Monday 3rd October.

Should you require the services of a Priest during this time,
please contact your Churchwardens:

for Benenden: Sue Fisher Tel 01580 241 907, David Collard Tel 01580 241 944 for Sandhurst: Anne Tylden-Wright Tel 01580 850 281, Bob Houlden Tel 01580 850 278

Monday 1st	8 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Tuesday 2 nd	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at the Mission Church
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	8 pm	Benenden Home Group at Cathy Presgrave's (this week only)
	7.30 pm	Bellringing practice at St George's
Thursday 4 th	10 am	Rhythm of Life Community Choir at St George's
	3 pm	Interment of ashes of t/l Elspeth 'Joy' Bishop at St Nicholas
	7 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
Saturday 6 th	11.15 am	Betchworth Ringers visit to St Nicholas

Readings: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16, Luke 12.32-40				
8 am	HOLY COMMUNION AT ST NICHOLAS led by Revd Jack Bateson			
10 am	ALL AGE COMMUNION AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Jack Bateson			
5 pm	CHORAL EVENSONG AT ST GEORGE'S led by Revd Ylva Blid-Mackenzie Readings: Isaiah 11.10-end, Mark 7.24-30. Psalm 108			

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Colossians 3.1-11

The New Life in Christ

³So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Luke 12.13-21

The Parable of the Rich Fool

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' ¹⁴But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' ¹⁵And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" ¹⁸Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." ²⁰But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

Please note: Tuesday's Home Group will meet at the home of Cathy Presgrave, at Eaton Barn, Goddard's Green Road, TN17 4AR - for this week only.

St George's Churchyard Working Party - Saturday 6th August from 9.30am to noon. Please do join us if you are able. DH

St Nicholas Churchyard long grass cutting: With the hot dry weather, the churchyard grass and wild flowers have almost set seed, thus it is almost ready to be cut. Help with strimming round grave stones would be welcome. Volunteers for a working party to rake up (there were 12 helpers with rakes last year, they soon cleared all the hay) and all helpers welcome. Please contact Anne Tylden-Wright 850281.

Friends of Kent Churches Ride & Stride - Saturday 10th September 10am-6pm. For further information and sponsor forms please contact Anne Tylden-Wright 850281

Vicki Young (Ordinand) is looking for a minimum two bed property to rent privately in Sandhurst, Benenden and surrounding areas. If you can help, please email vickijyoung40@gmail.com, or call 07527 160 019.

Revd David's Sabbatical

Revd David is taking a three-month sabbatical, returning to parish ministry on Monday 3rd October. Helen will also be taking time away and will not be at services in the benefice.

Until Sunday 2nd October the 8am Communion services will alternate between the two parishes. This is to reduce the workload on our two priests, Revd Rosemary and Revd Ylva. The 10am services will continue to alternate at St Nicholas as per the usual pattern.

Services and pastoral matters will be covered by our Ministry Leadership Team of:

Revd Ylva

Revd Rosemary

Lyn Hayes

David Harmsworth

Vicki Young

and other visiting priests.

Deanery colleagues will also cover some weddings.

Administrative matters will be handled by the Churchwardens of the two parishes:

Anne Tylden-Wright & Bob Houlden (Sandhurst) and Sue Fisher & David Collard (Benenden).

The Churchwardens' contact details can be found on the front and back of this weekly news sheet and on porch notice.

Any general enquiries may be emailed to Cathy Baker, Benefice Administrator, via benendenchurch@gmail.com This email will be regularly monitored and any incoming emails responded to within a short period of time.

RECITAL IN AID OF HOSPICE IN THE WEALD

Welcome to our 14th season of Richard Beattie Davis Memorial Musicales.

The September Hospice recital will be at 3pm on Tuesday 6th September, when Sasha Karpeyev will be playing with François Pineau-Benois, our first violinist who is coming over from Paris. Sasha tells me that they are exploring the 'Belaieff' composers, which thrills me - possibly inspired by my husband Richard's book 'The Beauty of Belaieff', the definitive study of this Russian music publisher. They will be playing Rachmaninov, Prokofiev, Glazunov and more.

Tickets will only be sold in advance.

Please contact me for reservations: Gillian Davis 01580-850384 or gillian@wimbourne.com

Bell-ringing Practice at St George's (usual weekly timetable)

Mondays: 3.30 to 4.30 pm - Learners' practice Tuesdays: 6.30 to 7.30 pm - Simulator practice

Wednesdays: 7.30 to 9 pm - Weekly Bell-ringing Practice (shutters open)

Thursdays: 4.30 to 5.30 pm - Simulator practice Fridays: 9 to 10.30 am - Simulator practice

3rd Friday of the Month 7.30 – 9 pm – Quarter Peal attempt

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