St Nicholas Church, Sandhurst

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

Our Worship: Sunday 22nd November
Christ the King

Collect: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King

Readings: Ephesians 1.15-end, Matthew 25.31-end

8 am **HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHANCEL AT ST GEORGE'S**
led by Revd David Commander

10 am **SUNG EUCHARIST AT ST NICHOLAS**
led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen & Sarah Emanuel

Hymns:	*277*	*Jesus shall reign*
	142	*Forth in the peace of Christ we go*
	422	*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven*
	103	*Crown him with many crowns*
	52	*Be still and know that I am God*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 23rd	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	7.30 pm	Sandhurst Home Group at the Mission Church
Tuesday 24th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at the Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 25th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Mission Church
	9 – 11 am	Drop in Café & Toddler Group at the Mission Church
	10 am	t/l Anne Nicholas Committal Service at St Nicholas conducted by Revd David Commander
	7.30 – 9 pm	Bellringing Practice at St Nicholas (tbc)
Thursday 26th	10 – 11.30 am	Rhythm of Life Choir at the Mission Church
	7 – 8 pm	Choir Practice *at St George's*
Friday 27th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at the Mission Church
	2 pm	t/l Sean Mulcahy Funeral & Burial at St Nicholas conducted by Lyn Hayes

Sunday Next: 29th November – The First Sunday of Advent

Readings: 1 Corinthians 1.3-9, Mark 13.24-end

No 8 am Service in the Benefice this Sunday

10 am **BENEFICE CELEBRATION SERVICE AT ST GEORGE'S**
led by Revd David Commander

5 pm **BENEFICE ADVENT CAROL SERVICE AT ST GEORGE'S**
led by Revd David Commander. *Archdeacon Estella Last will be joining us.*

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Ephesians 1.15-end

15 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason
16I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 17I pray that the God of our
Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to
know him, 18so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which
he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, 19and what is the
immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.
20God[b] put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right
hand in the heavenly places, 21far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above
every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. 22And he has put all things
under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, 23which is his body, the fullness
of him who fills all in all.

Matthew 25.31-end

31 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne
of his glory. 32All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33and he will put the sheep at his right hand and
the goats at the left. 34Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by
my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35for I was hungry
and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you
welcomed me, 36I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in
prison and you visited me." 37Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you
hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38And when was it that we saw
you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39And when was it that we saw
you sick or in prison and visited you?" 40And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did
it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." 41Then he will say to
those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil
and his angels; 42for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to
drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick
and in prison and you did not visit me." 44Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw
you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" 45Then
he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not
do it to me." 46And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

Home Groups:
Sandhurst: Meets on Mondays at 7.30 pm at the Mission Church.
Benenden: Usually meets on Tuesdays at 7.30 pm at David & Julia Collard's – *our next meeting date will be confirmed when known.*

Prayers:
We pass on the very sad news that **Dennis Bishop** has passed away. Dennis died peacefully at home in the afternoon of 17th November. We remember Reg, June and all the family at this sad time. Lyn Hayes
We also pray this week for the family and friends of **t/l Anne Nicholas** and the family and friends of t/l **Sean Mulcahy.** Anne and Sean's services take place this Wednesday and Friday at St Nicholas.
Revd David

Advent Sunday - 29th November

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH RE-OPENS!

10 am Benefice Celebration service at St George's
5 pm Benefice Candle-lit Advent Carol Service at St George's



Loss & Grief Cafe ~
Time to share & reflect

Saturday 5th December 10 am - 12 noon

@ the Mission Church, Back Road, Sandhurst TN18 5JU

Coming to terms with the loss of someone we love can feel overwhelming and deeply personal. Even when we know they are at peace, grief can bring many different emotions — sadness, loneliness, confusion, anger, or simply a sense of missing them deeply.

We warmly invite you to join us for a gentle and supportive morning where we can explore grief together through conversation, readings, and simple crafting activities. This will be a safe and welcoming space where you can talk, listen, reflect, or simply be alongside others who understand.

Sometimes it helps to share with people who have experienced loss themselves, and sometimes it is enough just to know that someone is there to listen.

For more information or to book your free place, please contact
Lyn Hayes on: 07792 332904 or email: lindapin@aol.com

Sunday 6th December 2026

8 am 1662 BCP Holy Communion at St Nicholas

10 am Patronal Service at St Nicholas

This year's Patronal Service is Morning Worship in Church
(- there will be no procession from the Lower Car Park)

Carols on the Upper Green, Sandhurst

with Cranbrook Town Band

Friday 18th December at 6.30 pm



Mulled Wine & Mince Pies too!

Parish Carol Service at St Nicholas Church



Sunday 20th December at 6.30 pm

SANDHURST CALENDAR 2027

Money raised from the sale of this year's Sandhurst calendar will be for the upkeep of St Nicholas Church's Churchyard.
Calendars, priced £10, are available through the churches and the village shop. Or contact Katherine O'Neil on 01580 850159 or 07794068373

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