St George's Church, Benenden

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

Our Worship: Sunday 8th November

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

(The Third Sunday before Advent)

Collect: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Sunday 8th November – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY *(The Third Sunday before Advent)*

8 am	**1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHANCEL AT ST GEORGE'S**		
	led by Revd David Commander		
	Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end & Matthew 25.1-13		
10.45 am	**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE VILLAGE HALL**		
	led by Revd David Commander & Revd Tracey Bateson		
	Reading: Revelation 21:1-7		
	Hymns:	*357*	*All people that on earth do dwell*
		729	*Now thank we all our God*
		746	*O God our help in ages past*
		HON 414	*Peace, perfect peace*
		623	*Eternal Father, strong to save*
		576	*And did those feet*
		578	*The National Anthem*
11.45 am	**ACT OF REMEMBRANCE AT THE WAR MEMORIAL**		

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 9th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	7.30 pm	Home Group at the Mission Church
Tuesday 10th	8am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 11th	8am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
Armistice Day	**11 am**	**Act of Remembrance at Benenden War Memorial**
	2 pm	Churchwardens' meeting at the Rectory
	7.30 – 9. 15 pm	Bellringing Practice at St George's
Thursday 12th	7 – 8 pm	Choir Practice at Iden Green Congregational Church
Friday 13th	8 am	Morning Prayer at the Rectory
	9 – 11 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Saturday 14th	**10 am – 5 pm**	**'Come and See!' at St George's**

Sunday Next: 15th November – The Second Sunday before Advent

Readings 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11& Matthew 25.14-30

8 am	**HOLY COMMUNION IN THE CHANCEL AT ST GEORGE'S**
	led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
10 am	**SUNG EUCHARIST AT BENENDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**
	led by Revd David Commander & Sarah Emanuel
12.30 – 5 pm	**'Come and See!' at St George's**

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1 Thessalonians 4.13-end

13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that
you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14For since we believe that Jesus died and rose
again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15For this we declare to
you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no
means precede those who have died. 16For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the
archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in
Christ will rise first. 17Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together
with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. 18Therefore encourage
one another with these words.

Matthew 25.1-13

25'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the
bridegroom. 2Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil
with them; 4but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them
became drowsy and slept. 6But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to
meet him." 7Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. 8The foolish said to the wise, "Give us
some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." 9But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and
for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." 10And while they went to buy it, the
bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut.
11Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." 12But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do
not know you." 13Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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Revelation 21:1-7

21Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,
and the sea was no more. 2And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven
from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3And I heard a loud voice from the throne
saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples
and God himself will be with them; 4 he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.' 5 And the one
who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for
these words are trustworthy and true.' 6Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the
Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the
water of life. 7Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my
children.

Home Groups: Sandhurst: Meets on Mondays at Sandhurst Mission Church at 7.30 pm
Benenden: Meets on Tuesdays at David & Julia Collard's at 7.30 pm. - *The next meeting date is to be confirmed.*

Friends of Kent Churches Ride & Stride: We have received a letter from Friends of Kent Churches expressing warm thanks to all who supported the event on 12th September and congratulations to participants. St George's has, as a result, received £265, half the total that Jo & Richard raised. Thank you again, Jo and Richard. - *Next year's date: 11th September, 2027!* David Harmsworth

Remembrance Sunday - 8th November



10.45 am - Service of Remembrance at Benenden Village Hall

11.45 am - Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

COMING UP!

- "Come and See": St George's Church: Open days, Saturday 14th November
10 am to 5 pm, and **Sunday 15th November,** 12.30 pm to 5 pm.

- Advent Sunday, 29th November - *Only THREE weeks to go!*
10 am Celebration service at St George's – as our church re-opens*!*
5 pm Candle-lit Advent Carol at St George's

CATCHING LIVES CHARITY PERFORMANCE

There will be a performance of Handel's Messiah
in aid of the charity Catching Lives
on Sunday November 15th at 6.30pm in St Dunstan's Church, Cranbrook.
Entry by donation (£12 + suggested) at the door.
Further details from Rob Eastwood Tel 01622 850330. Email: freastwood@gmail.com
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