

# The Parish of St George's, Benenden

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

## Our Worship Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

**Collect:** O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

**8.00 am 1662 BCP HOLY COMMUNION**

led by Revd David Commander

Bible Readings:  
Ephesians 4.25-5.2  
John 6.35 & 41-51

**10.00 am MORNING WORSHIP**

led by David Harmsworth

HYMNS	
664	How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
594	Be still my soul
580	Judge eternal
676	Immortal, invisible

**5.00 pm EVENING PRAYER AT SANDHURST MISSION CHURCH**

led by Revd David Commander

Psalm 91 [1-12]. Readings: Hebrews 12.1-17, Luke 12.32-40

### THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Interment at St George's
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church
		led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 pm	Home Group at David & Julia Collard's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Coffee Morning at Benenden Memorial Hall
		<b>No Wednesday Home Group (summer break until 5<sup>th</sup> Sept)</b>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer
	1.00 pm	Church Wardens' Meeting at the Rectory
	5.30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
	6.30 pm	Quarter Peal attempt
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm	Wedding of Matt Castle & Clare Hall
	4.00 pm	Baptism at St George's - Max Carfrae

**Sunday Next: 19<sup>th</sup> August – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

**8.00 am Holy Communion** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

**10.00 am Sung Eucharist** led by Revd David Commander

**12.30 pm Baptism** at St George's - Emilia Kaczmarek

## **Readings: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

### **Ephesians 4.25-5.2**

#### **Rules for the New Life**

<sup>25</sup> So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up,\* as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.\* <sup>51</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us\* and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

### **John 6.35, 41-51**

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

<sup>41</sup> Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, ‘I am the bread that came down from heaven.’ <sup>42</sup>They were saying, ‘Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, “I have come down from heaven”?’ <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, ‘Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, “And they shall all be taught by God.” Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.’

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### **Home Groups:**

**The Tuesday Home Group meets in Benenden.** Next Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup>) our Home Group will start to explore the Acts of the Apostles looking at the history, where the stories took place and how and why people's lives were changed and how the early church developed, with many parallels between them and our lives today! All are welcome. There is no commitment to come every week. Give Home Group a try. We meet at David and Julia Collard's at 8pm.

**The Wednesday Home Group** is taking a break over the summer period. **The Wednesday group next meets on 5<sup>th</sup> September, at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church.**

**Confirmation:** Are you interested in being Confirmed? Do you want to know what Confirmation is about? Would you like to take part fully in the Eucharist and receive Communion? If so, please speak to Revd David. Also put this advance date in your diary now: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018. We may have a few people interested in being Confirmed this year, so there will also be safety in numbers! And it doesn't matter what your age is. Just let me know if you are interested. Revd David.

**Friends of Kent Churches Bike Ride Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September 10am-6pm.**

**Sandhurst Mini Market & Grand Draw: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 10am at Sandhurst Mission Church.** This is St Nicholas' main fund raising event. Please support it. Grand Draw Tickets will be on sale in September

**Starfish Malawi**  
**Get involved in**  
***Blackboards for Classrooms***

**Following our really successful project, Desks4Classrooms, last year, for which we thank you for supporting in an amazing way, raising nearly £9,000, this year we are again in the classroom but aiming to resource the teachers by providing good quality blackboards.**

**Many teachers in the Primary schools in Malawi are hampered in their teaching by the lack of basic resources, such as decent blackboards to write on and chalk to write with.**

**This detracts from effective teaching and, despite their efforts to work hard, hampers the progress of the Malawi children.**

**We aim to tackle this problem by seeking to resource all classrooms in 10 schools with new blackboards, which will be made of thick plaster on the wall, painted with blackboard paint and have a concrete shelf for chalk and erasers. We will also resource up to 13 outside classes per school with wooden framed blackboards.**

**We are able to have the blackboards made locally in Malawi at a cost of £30 each.**

**Are you able to partner with us in this project so that the teachers will be able to teach more effectively and the children reach their full potential?**

**We have called the project “*Blackboards 4 Classrooms*” and really hope that with your help we can achieve our goal of equipping the schools with such a basic resource.**

**If you can you help ....**

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[www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/starfishmalawi/B4C](https://www.justgiving.com/campaigns/charity/starfishmalawi/B4C)  
to donate to this project. Thank You.**

**Kind Regards,  
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**The RB Davis 10<sup>th</sup> memorial recital/garden party on Saturday July 28<sup>th</sup> raised £560 for Hospice in the Weald. The performers were Oliver Davies (piano) and Adrian Bradbury (cello). Special thanks go to Maureen Sadler and Hamish and Cynthia Brown who organised a delicious tea. The next programme features the Russian pianist Alexander Karpeyev. He will play music from his homeland on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm. in Sandhurst. Tickets in advance from Tel 01580-850384. Gillian Davis.**



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**HOUSEKEEPER (Monday and Friday, 9am – 1pm)**

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Excellent rates of pay offered. Opportunities to pick up extra kitchen duties may be available.

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