

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

Our Worship – Sunday 30th June

Second Sunday after Trinity

Collect: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**8.00 am BENEFICE COMMUNION
AT ST NICHOLAS, SANDHURST**
led by Revd David Commander

**10.00 am BENEFICE ALL AGE COMMUNION
AT ST GEORGE'S, BENENDEN**
led by Revd David Commander

Bible Readings:
Galatians 5.1, 13-25
Luke 9.51-62

HYMNS	
811	Thou didst leave thy throne
692	Jesus good above all other
147	My song is love unknown
812	Through all the changing scenes of life

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 1 st	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9.00 am	BPS Assembly at St George's
	11.00 am	Funeral of t/l Matthew Mortimer at St George's
	2.00 pm	Vinehall School Bell Ringing at St George's
Tuesday 2 nd	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	10.00 am	Holy Communion at Sandhurst Mission Church led by Revd David Commander
Wednesday 3 rd	8.00 pm	Home Group at Tim & Diane Bentley's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at Sandhurst Mission Church
	9.00 am	Drop in Café & Toddler Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
	7.30 pm	Home Group at Sandhurst Mission Church
Thursday 4 th	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's
	9.30 – 11.30 am	BPS Music Lessons at St George's
Friday 5 th	3.15 pm	Funeral of t/l Joy Bates at St George's
	8.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's
	9.00 am	Cakes & Chaos Toddler Group at St George's
	3.15 pm	BPS Assembly at St George's
	6.00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal at St Nicholas
Saturday 6 th	6.45 pm	Choir Practice at St George's
	8.00 pm	Bell Ringing Practice at St George's (tbc)
	10.15 am	Benenden Girls' School Speech Day Service at St George's
	1.00 pm	Wedding of Loulla Hart & Billy Selmes at St Nicholas

Sunday Next: 7th July: Third Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Galatians 6.7-16, Luke 10.1-11.16-20

Services at St George's

- 8.00 am** **Holy Communion** led by Revd David Commander
10.00 am **All Age Communion & Sunday School** led by Revd David Commander
4.00 pm Choir Practice
5.00 pm **Choral Evensong** led by Revd David Commander
Psalm 64. Readings: Genesis 29.1-20, Mark 6.7-29

Services at St Nicholas

- 8.00 am** **Holy Communion** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
10.00 am **Morning Worship** led by Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen

Readings: Sunday 30th June

Galatians 5.1, 13-25

⁵¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

The Works of the Flesh

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

The Fruit of the Spirit

²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Luke 9.51-62

A Samaritan Village Refuses to Receive Jesus

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

Would-Be Followers of Jesus

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶²Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Home Groups: The Benenden Home Group meets at 8pm on Tuesdays, usually at David and Julia Collard's. Please, note, on Tuesday 2nd July we will meet at Tim and Diane Bentley's, Maple Leaf Cottage, Mill Street, Iden Green. The Wednesday Home Group meets at 7.30pm at Sandhurst Mission Church. All are welcome to both Home Groups.

Weald Deanery Pulpit Swap: The 10am service at St Nicholas on Sunday 14th July will be led by Revd Silke of All Saints, Staplehurst. Revd David will be leading the service at St Dunstan's, Cranbrook that morning.

The Bishop of Dover: The Queen has approved the appointment of the Reverend Rose Hudson-Wilkin, Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons, as the next Bishop of Dover.

Rose was born and raised in Jamaica. She was educated at Montego Bay High School for Girls and later at Birmingham University. She trained with the Church Army and was commissioned in 1982 as an Evangelist; she later trained for ordination at Queens Theological College on their part-time course, ordained deacon in 1991, priested in 1994 and served her title at St Matthew's Church, Willenhall Road in the Diocese of Lichfield. For sixteen and a half years Rose served as a priest in Hackney (Holy Trinity with St Philip, Dalston and All Saints, Haggerston). In 2007 she was appointed as a Chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen and in 2010 became the first female appointed to the position of the 79th Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons. In November 2014, she took on the additional responsibility as Priest in Charge of city Church, St Mary-at-Hill near Monument.

Rose has previously served as a member of the General Synod of the Church of England and also as one of the Panel of Chairs of the Synod. She has twice represented the Church of England at the World Council of Churches (in Zimbabwe & Brazil); she served as its priest representative on the Anglican Consultative Council for 9 years. She also served as a Selection Secretary for the Church of England, helping to select men and women seeking to test their vocation to the ministry. Rose does numerous preaching and speaking engagements nationally (and occasionally overseas). She was a member of the Broadcasting Standards Commission and has wide experience of media engagement, including some religious broadcasting.

Rose is married to Kenneth, a prison Chaplain and they have 3 adult children.

Rose will be licensed to the post in November. We look forward to welcoming her to the Benefice at some time in the future. Please hold her and her family in your prayers. Revd David

Prayers: Benenden

Matthew Mortimer. Matthew's funeral is at St George's on Monday 1st July at 11am. Please hold Val, Charlotte and Helen in your prayers.

Joy Bates. On Thursday 4th July there will be a private service at 2.00pm at a local crematorium - this is for family only. Joy's Committal service will be followed by a Thanksgiving service at St George's at 3.15pm. (Please arrive in good time to minimise any issues with the Primary School pick-up). There will be refreshments served at the back of church following the service. Please continue to hold Joy's family in your prayers. Revd David

Prayers: Sandhurst:

The funeral of **Les Shaw** will be on Monday 15th July at St Nicholas at 11am, conducted by Lyn Hayes. Please hold Les' family in your prayers.

**11th Annual Richard Beattie Davis Sandhurst Musical Events
for Hospice in the Weald... On SATURDAY JULY 27th at 3pm**

Daniel Grimwood will be performing at this year's garden party event.

The interesting programme will consist of Dvorak, Brahms, Henselt and a Kent premiere of a special piece where the piano resembles a sitar, composed by Daniel's mentor, Peter Feuchtwanger.

Tickets by donation (minimum £17)

Reservations in advance only from Gillian Davis 01580-850384

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