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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	12th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Encinas & Wadely Families Intentions Seventh Sunday of Easter (Special Collection today for the Catholic Communications Network)
Sun	13th	9.00am	St George's - Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Peter Robinson RIP
Mon	14th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	15th	10.00am	St George's - Parents of Nicholas Cooray RIP
Wed	16th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Liturgy of Word & Eucharist
Thur	17th	10.00am	St George's - Anne Bowe Family Intention
Fri	18th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Holy Souls' Intention
Sat	19th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Simon Davis RIP 5th Anniversary Pentecost (Special Collection for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese next Sunday)
Sun	20th	9.00am	St George's - Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Repose of the Soul of Peter Haigh

1st Thursday of the month: 9.30am St George's - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation

IMPORTANT: Going into hospital? Would like a visit from the Catholic Chaplaincy? Ring 417400, ext. 4145 and leave a message for the Catholic Chaplain. Please also let Fr Rory know. Catholic Mass in the hospital Chapel every Friday at 3pm.

St Thomas a Becket Primary School: Tel 01323 726004 **St Thomas a Becket Primary School:** Tel 01323 737221
St Thomas a Becket Nursery School: Tel 01323 725977 **St Richard's Catholic College, Bexhill:** Tel 01424 731070

New to the Parish or would like to get back in touch but not sure how? Please complete the welcome form available in the porch and/or make yourself known to Fr. Rory. *It would be great to get to know you and offer any help.*

USEFUL PARISH INFORMATION

St Wilfrid's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 832577
St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 870990
St George's & St Wilfrid's Finance Committee Treasurers Charles Piegrome & Monika Beaver
Chairperson of the Finance Committee Peter Dromgoole
ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE ABOVE VIA THE PRIEST'S HOUSE PLEASE
Polegate Hall Hire.....Tel: (01323) 504753
Hailsham Hall Hire Tel: (01323) 841504 - Mon, Wed, Fri Morning or email at above address
Prayer LineJean Barham Tel: (01323) 842824

CROSSLINK CHURCHES TOGETHER, HAILSHAM

Contact: Ann Fielder 01323 843361

POLEGATE CHURCHES TOGETHER

Contact: Margaret Piegrome 01323 870990
Contact Care: 07900 823138

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are unwell: Lily May, Edna Andrews, Julliette Lusted, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne & Harry Holt, Margaret, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Jenny Price and Ann Winter.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

Newsletter items: Please send to Jackie at ssgeorge.wilfrid@btinternet.com, tel.841504 or by hand marked **NEWSLETTER**, to Fr. Rory's House by **9am Wednesday.**

Fr Rory Writes:

With the Great Feast of Pentecost taking place next week, I was anxious about what to write. Then it was made clear to me. The words of Jesus came "I am with you always, even until the end of time. I will not leave you orphans". So we may be unfaithful, but He is always faithful.

Please God, this may put new heart into me. I admit this last period has been particularly difficult and I was certainly in danger of losing heart. So some of the trials remain, but one of the great hopes is that "He will not leave us orphans". I keep on speaking of a new generation, fresh wine, new wine skins. So pray and pray again during the coming week.

This weekend is Communication Sunday. In his message for World Communication Day 2018, Pope Francis speaks of journalists as "the protectors of news". That their task is "not just a job; it is a mission". He reminds us that persons are at the heart of information, that informing others means forming others; "That is why ensuring the accuracy of sources and protecting communication are real means of promoting goodness, generating trust, and opening the way to communion and peace". On this World Communications Day, we pray for those who work in the media and also for the valuable work carried out on our behalf by the Communications Office of the Bishops' Conference. Working with journalists across both national and international media outlets, it provides a professional news service to the Church and to the world.

Jx Rory

REMINDER:

Sunday 20 May, 12 noon to 4pm, St George's and St Wilfrid's Summer Gathering will take place. We warmly invite St George's and St Wilfrid's Children's Liturgy families and all parishioners to join us for our children's summer gathering. Abbots Wood provides the perfect venue for us to assemble and picnic/BBQ together with ample space for socialising, playing games and gentle walks in the woods. It is a chance for parents, children and our whole community to enjoy some fun time together outside of church. Please feel free to invite other families/friends outside of our parish to join us. Please note parking charges apply in the car park and change is not given, so have coins. Please bring picnic and refreshments as there is only an ice cream van available on site. Parents are responsible for their children's safety.

St George's Plant Fair Saturday 26th May. Do you grow seeds and cuttings? Have you got an allotment or greenhouse? Then you can help us produce plants for our fair in May. We need a lot of help and support to make this event a success. Please let Ros or Shirley know if you can help in bringing on plug plants or manning the stalls on the day. We really do need YOUR help.

St George's Film Club Next showings will be:

Sunday 27th (1960) The adventures of a castaway family (this film could not be shown on the 6th due to technical difficulties)
 Sunday 10th June (1943) St Bernadette and her visions.
 Sunday 24th June (2005) Astonishing documentary showing the annual life of a penguin colony. All showings start at 3 pm.

Catholic Evenings for 15-30's Encounter: Starts Friday May 18th, Our Lady of Ransom Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Live Music, Great Speakers, Adoration and Food. Guest Speaker: Bishop Richard.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 20th May Annual Children's Liturgy Outing, Abbots Wood, 12-4pm
Sat 26th May St George's Plant Fair, St George's Church,
Sun 27th May Adventures of a castaway family, St G's Hall, 3pm
Sun 10th June Story, St Bernadette & her visions, St G's Hall, 3pm
Sun 24th June United Nations Lunch, St Wilfrid's, 11.45am
Sun 24th June Documentary of a penguin colony, St G's Hall, 3pm

United Nations Lunch 24th June after Sunday Mass at about 11.45am at St Wilfrid's There will be a Tombola and we are asking for donations of suitable items for prizes. Bottles, unwanted gifts and any new items that would be suitable would be gratefully received. Please leave in the porch of the Church marked Tombola. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Pentecost Celebration Together:

Sunday 20th May at 6.30pm at Christ Church, Ropemakers Park, South Road, Hailsham. You are cordially invited to join us for this service of unity. If you require any further information please contact Ann Fielder on 01323 843361.

World Priest Annual Global Rosary Relay: This is due to happen on Friday 8 June where people are asked to pray the rosary for the sanctification of all priests. Last year there were over 10 million participants from all over the world. If you want to add to that number this year then go to www.worldpriest.com

Catholic Charismatic Family Weekend: Cardinal Newman Catholic School, The Upper Drive, Hove, BN3 6ND. 14th & 15th July 2018. Speakers: David Wells, Rev. John Ryeland and Michelle Moran. For more information www.celebrateconference.org, Tel: 01444 450203

Diocesan Grandparents' Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead with Bishop Richard on Wednesday 13th June 2018, 10.45am - 3.30pm. Adoration and Reconciliation, Mass with Bishop Richard. Coffee and tea will be provided - please bring a packed lunch, parking limited - car sharing advisable. Booking essential due to space, contact Katherine Bergin E: Katherine.bergin@dabnet.org T: 01293 651152

COLLECTIONS: (5th/6th May)

St George's	£222.25
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£219.73
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 130 St G's 77	

Thank you for your continued generosity
 If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.

Bonus Ball:

Sat 5th May
 No: TBC

Wed 2nd May
 No: 41
 Fr Rory