

# PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

## ST GEORGE

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## ST WILFRID

South Road  
Hailsham



The Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust is a Registered Charity No. 252878

### WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	13th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - John Barnes RIP - 3rd Anniversary <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>(Voluntary Collection Today for Pax Christi)</b>
Sun	14th	9.00am	St George's - John Bree RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Mon	15th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	16th	10.00am	St George's - Jack Gearing RIP
Wed	17th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Deceased Relatives & Friends of Sinnott Family
Thur	18th	10.00am	St George's - Donor's Intention
Fri	19th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Pat Pye RIP
Sat	20th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - George Barham RIP - 2nd Anniversary <b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>(Voluntary Collection: Catholic Association for Racial Justice next Sunday)</b>
Sun	21st	9.00am	St George's - Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Mrs Sylvia Galea - 1st Anniversary

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 Line .....Jean 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](mailto:ssgeorge.wilfrid@btinternet.com), tel.841504 or by hand marked **NEWSLETTER**, to Fr. Rory's House by **9am Wednesday.**

**Fr Rory Writes:**

**This Sunday we will have a collection for Pax Christi**

The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms.

Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice. If you would like further information or to donate online: [www.paxchristi.org.uk](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk)

We received reflection 2018 from the Catholic Bible School in our Diocese with something very important to say:

Dear Friend and Supporter of the Catholic Bible School.

2017 has been a good year thanks to your prayers and support. With our most exciting development being, launching our new initiative - Bible Weekends for Parishes. To those dioceses we have already contacted there has been a good response and we have had two fantastic Bible Weekends so far in Bognor Regis and in Maidenhead. The response has been great and you can read more about the Bible Weekends in our annual Reflection Magazine.

Our ministry has continued at Celebrate Conferences around the country, in schools, in parishes and across South Wales and in Chichester with our Scripture Saturdays. This year in Chichester we ran two Films and Faith Scripture Saturdays where we watched 12 Angry Men and The Shack. They were really stimulating days reflecting on the relationship of the scriptures to culture and exploring how God can speak to us through the medium of film. To be continued.....

**New Recruit:** Barry Megan has had to retire from the Mill Hill Missionary role of local Secretary, due to ill health. We need someone to replace him as soon as possible, to co-ordinate the collection of money from the red Mill Hill boxes and oversee the total amount sent to the Association for the Propagation of Faith Mill Hill. Also needed is more collectors of the red boxes from the people of the St. George Parish. Please get in touch with Barry or Father Rory. This Mission is a great support to many Priests and Sisters in many areas of work abroad in spreading the Faith. Please give it your consideration and phone Barry on Polegate 483465. Many thanks

**Table Sale - St Wilfrid's:** We will be holding a table sale on Saturday 27th January, 10am to 3pm in St Wilfrid's Church Hall. If you have any unwanted Christmas presents or items that are suitable for our sale, please leave in the church hall or church porch. Thank you.

**The Bereavement Group Meeting** will take place in St Wilfrid's Church Hall on Friday 26th January at 11.15am. If you have been bereaved or live alone or have recently moved into St Wilfrid's Community and want to get to know us then please come along. We look forward to meeting you.

**Monday 22nd January**, "A retired Kenyan farmer revisits food growing today". Talk by **John Fowler** who worked with the **Church Missionary Society on Rural Development work in his native Kenya and also Tanzania. 7pm for 7.30pm – 9pm. St Martha's Church Hall, Cooden Sea Road, Bexhill TN39 4SP. Organised by Eastbourne and Bexhill Newman Association. Entrance free. All welcome. Contact either Alex Mthobi (07957 632208) or Edward Echlin (01424 219788) for more information.**

**Friends of EDGH:** are still collecting milk bottle tops to help raise money for hospital equipment. Please help them by bringing in your washed red, blue and green milk bottle tops only and place in the container provided in both church porches. Thank you.

**Justice & Peace Assembly 2018:** with Bishop Richard. Saturday 27th January 2018, Christian Education Centre (DABCEC), 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP, 10am to 4pm. "HOPE overcoming FEAR", the Church in the Modern World. What is the Church's message on social issues? How do we relate to others so humankind can flourish? To book please contact Ruth Gerun [Ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:Ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or phone 01293 651164 or visit [www.dabnet.org/courses](http://www.dabnet.org/courses)

**Friends of EDGH:** Please remember to save all your stamps. These can be left in both the church porches for collection. Thank you.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**Sun 21st Jan** Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm  
**Fri 26th Jan** Bereavement Group Meeting, St Wilfrid's Hall, 11.15am  
**Sat 27th Jan** Table Sale, St Wilfrid's Hall, 10am-3pm  
**Fri 2nd Feb** St George's Parish Council Meeting, St G's Hall, 6.15pm

**COLLECTIONS: (6th/7th Jan)**

<b>St George's</b>	£216.00
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£176.50
<b>St Wilfrid's</b>	£221.12
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 125 St G's 86	
<b>Thank you for your continued generosity</b>	
If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.	

**Bonus Ball:**

**Sat 6th January**  
No: 50  
Ann Fielder  
**Wed 3rd January**  
No: 44  
Anne O'Rourke