

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	28th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sun	29th	9.00am	St George's - John & Paul Bree RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Biddy Kerridge's 1st Anniversary RIP
Mon	30th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	1st	10.00am	St George's -
Wed	2nd	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Martin Malone's 7th Anniversary
Thur	3rd	10.00am	St George's -
Fri	4th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -
Sat	5th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Mrs Elsie Brown & Mrs Mary Brown RIP Sixth Sunday of Easter (Special Collection for the Catholic Communications Network next Sunday)
Sun	6th	9.00am	St George's - Jenni Duder-Rumsey RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention

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:

A great big thank you to Bill and the Hall Management Team for doing an excellent job in preparing for and looking after our special occasion in celebrating the Feast Day for the 2nd Anniversary of the dedication of St Wilfrid's Church. With a thank you also to Deacon John for his homily and to Ben for leading the music. It is always important to show willing; as always some persons who would love to have attended, could not do so because of other important commitments. The most important thing is that those who did attend were pleased and very happy with the occasion, it was really beautifully done.

The next two events are hosted by St George's community. On Sunday May 6th, after the 9am Mass, Mary is crowned queen in the Garden of Remembrance at St George's, with a special prayer of blessing on the garden. A big thank you to Dominic for his work of enhancing and refreshing the Garden of Remembrance and especially his work at safeguarding. A true tribute to his wife Jenni who died recently.

Sunday 20th May, 12noon 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.

Fr Rory

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: Please note change of dates. On 6th May we'll show (1960) The story of a castaway family on a desert island. On 27th May we'll see (1943) The story of Saint Bernadette and her visions. There will be a short chat after the film and moreish nibbles for everyone. All showings will start at 3pm.

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.

INSPIRE 2018 - YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, MAY 12TH Tickets are still available for the Diocesan youth ministry leadership day being held on May 12th at Redhill. It's open to anyone who is interested in youth and young adult ministry, including parents and Confirmation leaders, and tickets are just £10. It's happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill, from 10am to 3.30pm, and there is a very impressive line-up of speakers: We've got Will Desmond, founder of the ASCENT, Dominican Friar Father Nick Crowe, Lizzie Wakeling (talking about young people and mental health), Bishop Richard, and others. We'll also be bringing you up to date on the current discussions at the Vatican around 'Young people, faith, and vocational discernment.' To book: Email YMBookings@dabnet.org <<mailto:YMBookings@dabnet.org>>.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Fri 4th May** St George's Parish Council Mtg, St George's Hall, 6.15pm
- Sun 6th May** Castaway Family on a Desert Island, St G's Hall, 3pm
- Sun 20th May** The Annual Children's Liturgy Outing
- Sat 26th May** St George's Plant Fair, St George's Church,
- Sun 27th May** The Story, St Bernadette & her visions, St G's Hall, 3pm

Beetle Drive: St Wilfrid's will be hosting a Beetle Drive on Friday 11th May at 7.30pm, in St Wilfrid's Church Hall. Tickets £5.00 each and will be on sale after Masses. Please come and join us for a fun and enjoyable evening.

ROSARY ON THE COAST:

Further to our earlier announcement, Rosary on the Coast will be held on Sunday 29th April at the Bandstand on Eastbourne seafront at 3 pm. Please try to attend as we would like this event to be very successful. Pope Francis sends his greetings to all those participating in the Rosary on the Coast for Faith, Life and Peace in Scotland, Wales and England and assures them of his spiritual closeness to them in their prayers. We will be meeting at the Bandstand on Eastbourne seafront for 3pm. Please do come.

Les Whittaker from East Grinstead Parish is cycling to Walsingham and back to raise money for the pro-life work undertaken by Good Counsel Network. Les will also mark the 50th anniversary of the abortion act by praying 50 rosaries on his journey to Walsingham, 50 whilst there and 50 on the return journey. If you would like to support this cause please see flyer on notice board, or view web page: justgiving.com/fundraising/rosarybikeride

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.

COLLECTIONS: (21st/22nd April)

St George's	£209.79
Education of Future Priests	£64.12
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£320.97
Education of Future Priests	£144.82
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 134 St G's 93	
Thank you for your continued generosity	
If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.	

Bonus Ball:

Sat 21st April

No: 38
John Forde

Wed 18th April

No: 58
Paul Sullivan