

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	2nd	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Priest's Intention
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
(Ash Wednesday this coming week, Day of Fasting & Abstinence)			
Sun	3rd	9.00am	St George's - Angel Garcia De Arbol RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Mon	4th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	5th	10.00am	St George's - Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Wed	6th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Ash Wednesday , Priest's Intention
Wed	6th	12noon	St George's - Ash Wednesday , Fr Rory's Intention
Thur	7th	11.30am	St George's - Mercedes Lafuente RIP
Fri	8th	11.30am	St Wilfrid's - Requiem Mass Henry Holt RIP
Sat	9th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Priest's Intention
First Sunday of Lent			
(Special Collection Cafod Lenten Fast Day next Sunday)			
Sun	10th	9.00am	St George's - Priest's Intention
		2.30pm	St George's - Stations of the Cross
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
<i>1st Thursday of the month: 9.30am St George's - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation</i>			

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 Nursery School: Tel 01323 725977 **St Thomas a Becket Primary School:** Tel 01323 737221
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

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, Evelyn South, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne & Harry Holt, Margaret, Ann Winter, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Bill O'Rourke, Chris Neyenhuizen, Judith Bourke and Fr Rory.

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.

Office Hours Monday 9am-1pm, Wednesday 8.45am-12.45pm & Friday 9am-12.30pm

Fr Kieran Writes:

While Fr Rory is convalescing from a recent illness, the Bishop has asked me to cover the parish. I will provide two weekday Masses, all of the weekend Masses, Baptisms, and carry out any funeral requirements, commencing from this week.

I will not be residing in the Presbytery, but can be contacted through the Parish Office on 01323 841504 or by email kierangard@yahoo.co.uk

Fr Rory is grateful for your prayers and kind wishes and all correspondences can be sent here to the Presbytery for his attention.

Fr Kieran

Deacon John Writes:

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and Mass with Ashes will be at St Wilfrid's at 10 am and at St George's at 12 noon. Remember that it is a day of Fast and Abstinence.

The following article is the first of two about discovering how God calls all of us in our lives. Through Baptism we are all called to holiness of life. The fundamental vocation of all Christians is "to be salt to the earth and light to the world". It is when we consider the concrete choices that people make to express their Christian calling that we think of ordained ministry (priesthood and diaconate), marriage and family life, consecrated life (religious life), and committed single life. Each of these 'particular vocations' (life choices) are important commitments that support the life of the Church.

The process of making a decision about our lives with help of the Holy Spirit is called "discernment." It is the process of discovering God's will for each one of us. In this process we will get to know both ourselves and God better. As you begin, remember that both you and God ultimately desire the same thing: your happiness. Your deepest desire is the very same as God's will for you. You want to make a decision about your life that will bring you happiness, which is what God also wants for you. Please think about this during the week. There will be another article next week about the various life choices.

Deacon John

Film Club: March 10th (2017) a dog brings a family together. All showings start at 3 pm.

St George's Children's Liturgy - Events Calendar 2019:
Saturday April 6th @ 11am, Family Stations of the Cross followed by Lent poverty lunch.

Sunday May 19th @ 12noon-4pm, Summer Gathering - Abbots Wood picnic.

Sunday June 23rd @ 9am, First Holy Communion Service - In Church.

Sunday June 30th @ 9am, Children's First Holy Communion Breakfast after Mass.

Sunday September 29th @ 11am-3pm, Country walk and picnic (route TBA).

Sunday December 1st @ 3pm, Las Posadas Party (Including Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary - Church Hall).

Every second Sunday - Film Club 3pm Church Hall, all welcome. Everyone is welcome at all these events and we extend our invitation particularly to the St Wilfrid's Children's Liturgy Families and parishioners.

St George's Bible study group meets every Tuesday at 6 pm. Sessions last one hour. everybody welcome Please call Merce if you would like to attend (07855452741)

St George's Plant Fair will take place on Saturday 18th May from 10.00 am in the hall. If you can help in any way either on the day or growing on young plants, please see Shirley.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tue 5th March St G's Parish Council Meeting, St G's Hall, 10.30am

Sun 10th March Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm

Sat 16th March St Patrick's Social, St Wilfrid's Hall, 7-11pm

Sat 30th March Penitential Service, St Wilfrid's Church, 5-5.30pm

Sat 6th April Family Stations of the Cross/Lent Lunch, St G's, 11am

Sat 18th May St George's Plant Fair, St George's Hall, 10am

Sun 19th May Summer Gathering, Abbots Wood Picnic, 12noon-4pm

Sun 26th May First Holy Communion, St Wilfrid's Church, 10.30am

Sun 2nd June 1st Holy Communion B/fast, St W's Hall, after 10.30 Mass

Sun 23rd June 1st Holy Communion, St George's Church, 9am

APF Mission-Box Holders: during the next 3 weeks would you be so kind and bring your Mission Boxes to church. Either give them to your promoter or hand them in at the Sacristy. Also don't forget to pick your emptied Box up again. Many thanks for your support. D. Jung (APF St. Wilfrid's Secretary)

St Wilfrid's Penitential Service: This is prior warning for this very important service among our community. Our friends at St George's are cordially invited of course. Please note this will be held on Saturday 30th March, 5pm - 5.30pm. It is a lovely service, well prepared.

St Wilfrid's Celebrating St Patrick's Feast Day: We are holding a social evening on Saturday 16th March in our Hall, 7pm-11pm. Tickets £5 each to include buffet, tea and coffee. (Please bring your own alcoholic drinks). Music provided by our own Bill O'Rourke, as he says "sing-a-long or take the mic for a bit of fun". Tickets are limited, so you are advised to buy them sooner than later from sellers in the porch at St Wilfrid's or Margaret Neville at St George's. We are holding a Raffle on that night so any suitable gifts as prizes will be gratefully received. These may be left in the church porch. Everything is heading to a wonderful night and you don't have to be Irish to join us, so buy your tickets asap as numbers are restricted.

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: (23rd/24th Feb)

St George's	£185.62
Racial Justice Collection	£3.00
CAFOD	£18.29
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£261.45
Racial Justice Collection	£88.35
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 146 St G's 76	

Bonus Ball:

Sat 23rd February

No: 57

Jean Barham

Wed 20th February

No: 48

Margaret Forde