

# PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

## ST GEORGE

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## ST WILFRID

South Road  
Hailsham



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### WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	3rd	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Flavio Cirignano RIP <b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> <b>(Second Collection next Weekend for St Wilfrid's Easter Flowers)</b>
Sun	4th	9.00am	St George's - Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Alan O'Rourke RIP
Mon	5th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	6th	10.00am	St George's - Skye Maria Nichols
Wed	7th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Jim Cleary RIP
Thur	8th	11.30am	St George's - Jack Gearing RIP
Fri	9th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Ellen Kavanagh
Sat	10th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention <b>Fourth 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent</b> <b>(Second Collection this Weekend for St Wilfrid's Easter Flowers)</b>
Sun	11th	9.00am	St George's - Jenni Duder-Rumsey RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Brian Winter RIP

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 great season of Lent: With an awareness of the growing problem of obesity in children and adults, correct and good nutrition is receiving great attention. From the good we eat and how we enjoy it, to the exercise we take in living a good lifestyle. This applies in a similar way to life in the spirit. Pope Francis highlighted this in his Lenten message. How to develop and nourish our faith. Deacon John has prepared some thoughts for the newsletter during Lent. Also, copies of both Deacon John's and Dawn's homilies are available at the back of the churches and are well worth reading with prayers and reflection.

*Fr Rory*

## A menu for Lent: Give up & Instead

### STARTERS

GIVE UP grumbling! **Instead**, "DO everything you are asked to do and give thanks." Constructive criticism is OK, but "moaning, groaning, and complaining" are not Christian disciplines.

GIVE UP 10 to 15 minutes in bed! **Instead**, use that time in prayer or extra help for someone in need.

GIVE UP looking at other people's worst points. **Instead** concentrate on their best points. We all have faults. It is a lot easier to have people overlook our shortcomings when we overlook theirs first.

### DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

This day, requested by the Holy Father, has been designated by our Bishops' Conference for the Friday of the 5th Week of Lent, 23rd March this year. This cause should also be included in the Intercessions on Palm Sunday.

**St George's Lenten Lunches:** These will take place on the 8th, 15th and 22nd March after 11.30 Mass. Tasty homemade soups and friendship. Both Communities are welcome, please give names to Margaret Piegrome 870990. Thank you.

**Readers: St. George and St. Wilfrid weekend and weekday** – the meeting is on 10th March, at 10.30 prompt. St. George's Hall is the venue. Please confirm your attendance if you have not already done so. Margaret Piegrome, 01323870990.

**CAFOD Lenten Lunch at St George's:** Following the 11.30am Mass on Thursday 22 February, 16 people from both communities enjoyed soup, croutons and bread in the hall. Thanks to their generosity almost £50 was raised for CAFOD which will be doubled with Government funding making nearly £100.

On **Sunday 29th April 2018** at 3:00 pm there will be "**Rosary on the Coast of the British Isles**"

This is a day of Pilgrimage and Prayer for the re-flourishing of our Faith, for the grace to build a culture of Life and for true Peace to reign in the hearts of all peoples & Nations. *More details:-*

<https://www.facebook.com/paisleydiocese/>

[posts/1705515692820539](https://www.facebook.com/paisleydiocese/posts/1705515692820539) Further details of the location to follow soon.

**Help Required:** Owing to the shortage of helpers for Teas and Coffee after Sunday Mass at St George's, I wish to appeal for persons from the parishioners at St George's. It only involves about 45 minutes over 1 in 5 Sunday's, as owing to a person not able to do it for personal reasons, more help is needed. Please contact me on 01323 487414 or any persons on the Tea Rota notices in the porch at St George's, if any persons could avail their help. Many thanks, T G Woodrow-Spencer.

**Way of the Cross Up Beachy Head:** To pray for those suffering in Mind and Heart, Sunday 18th March at 3pm. Starting from Bede's School Car Park

**Film Club** – the next two films will be shown at 4pm in St George's Hall, as follows: **4th March (2015)**, Classic story of Swiss girl; **18th March (1957)**, Disney film, a boy and his stray dog. **FREE ENTRY.**

All parishioners, their friends and family are welcome. Following each film the club enters a short enjoyable discussion/reflection about the film. Refreshments available. For more information email Christian [cjane@mgccconsultancy.co.uk](mailto:cjane@mgccconsultancy.co.uk).

**In preparation for Easter**, we have the opportunity to meditate upon the different stages of Jesus' Journey towards Calvary, when Stations of the Cross are being held at St George's on Sunday afternoons in Lent, with the exception of 11 March, Mothering Sunday. The last one will be on Palm Sunday, 25th March, which will be followed by Benediction and refreshments in the hall. Everyone is welcome.

#### **Topic: "The Fall and Original Sin revisited."**

Speaker: Revd Keith Williams. He has a Diploma in Theology from Durham University, now retired though still an Assistant Priest at St Peter's C of E Church, Bexhill

Venue: Christ the King Parish, 3 Princess Road, Eastbourne, BN23 6HT. Date: Monday 19th March 2018

ALL WARMLY WELCOME

**Stations of the Cross** for children and families from both communities will be held on Sat 17th March at 11.30am in St George's Church, which will be followed by a Poverty Lunch in St George's Hall. There will be a collection for CAFOD after lunch.

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**Sun 4th March** Stations of the Cross, St George's Church, 3pm  
**Sun 4th March** Classic story of Swiss girl, St George's Hall, 4pm  
**Sat 10th March** Bishop's Day of Reflection, St George's Hall, 10.30am  
**Sat 17th March** Stations of the Cross/Lunch, St G's Church, 11.30am  
**Sun 18th March** Stations of the Cross, St George's Church, 3pm  
**Sun 18th March** Disney film, a boy & his stray dog, St G's Hall, 4pm  
**Sun 25th March** Stations of the Cross, St George's Church, 3pm

#### **COLLECTIONS: (24th/25th Feb)**

<b>St George's</b>	£231.18
CAFOD	£257.75
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£176.50
<b>St Wilfrid's</b>	£285.42
CAFOD	£165.76
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 162 St G's 84	

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#### **Bonus Ball:**

**Sat 24th February**  
 No: 7  
 Margaret Neville

**Wed 21st February**  
 No: 38  
 Hannah Hoad