

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

ST GEORGE

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	26th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Mary Gorden's Intention
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Sun	27th	9.00am	St George's - Mathew Pothen RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Mon	28th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	29th	10.00am	St George's - Sr Agatha's Intention
Wed	30th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - Special Intention - Mary O'Donoghue
Thur	31st	10.00am	St George's - Paddy & Rose Falkner RIP
Fri	1st	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - John Paul Butler RIP
Sat	2nd	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
(Special Collection for the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund next Sunday)			
Sun	3rd	9.00am	St George's - Peggy Ryan RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - John Butlers 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 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 and Judith Burke.

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 Rory Writes:

Please God, and with the help of God we will move on through the new year, in keeping with Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan "The Word Who is Life", continue to develop and grow our faith. The most important thing is that it is the good news of God's salvation and not merely a safety net, or something to benefit us as a passport to a better education.

Over the years we have established parish councils for our two communities, which work well to support and help the life of our parish. We now need to develop a structure to provide leadership for a new generation in keeping with Bishop Richard's plan. There is a need for a fresh impetus. Previously I arranged two dates without sufficient consultation, so they did not materialise. I am aware of the reality that those who are working a new generation through the children's liturgy are up to their eyes in work, so I do not expect to be inundated with suggestions, but we need fresh help and a Saturday morning appears to me to offer the best chance. I am fully open to offers of help and suggestions.



Fr Rory and the Finance Committee appreciate and acknowledge the enormous contribution made by members of St Wilfrid's and St George's parish communities in the voluntary work they do for the various Parish committees and other jobs for the parish communities. Without this willing and voluntary work, we would be unable to run the parish and we wish them to know that their work and involvement is greatly appreciated. Fr. Rory wanted to make it clear that for teas and coffees after mass, if donations do not cover the expenditure then the excess will be covered by the parish, as this function is to be treated as hospitality.

Film Club:

Sunday 27th Jan (1995) On his birthday, a boy is given several simple gifts, including an old wooden cupboard and a small plastic figurine of a Native American man. When he locks the toy inside the cabinet it magically comes to life as a tiny, cagey warrior named Little Bear.

Sunday 10th Feb (1963) The legendary Jason goes in search of the Golden Fleece. All showings start at 3 pm.

Rosary: will be said on Thursdays at 10.45am at St Wilfrid's Hospice, Eastbourne, until Easter Thursday 2019.

National Board for Catholic Women: Day with Bishop Richard on Saturday 23rd February, from 10am to 1pm, at the St Philip Howard Centre (formerly DABCEC). Explore ways to engage with 'The Word who is Life'. Book at nbcw@rcdab.onmicrosoft.com

Beginning Experience: *A weekend away for a lifetime of change:* For those who are struggling with being single again – whether separated, divorced or bereaved. This weekend programme helps you move from the darkness of your grief into the light of a new beginning. Please contact Freda 01322 838415 / Sandra 0293 783965 or email John at johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

Diocesan Pastoral Service for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing: Signed Mass on the first Saturday of each month at 1pm, at St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, followed by tea. Check the A&B News to confirm dates.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 27th Jan Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm
Sat 2nd Feb St Wilfrid's Table Top Sale, St Wilfrid's Hall, 10am-3pm
Tue 5th Feb St George's Parish Council Meeting, St G's Hall, 10.30am
Sun 10th Feb Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm

St Wilfrid's Annual Table Top Sale: Please do not forget 10am to 3pm, Saturday 2nd February, our Annual Table Top Sale. Last chance to clear out your clutter and unwanted Christmas presents. Place them in the church porch please. Refreshments will be available at reasonable prices, after you have browsed and bought goods at bargain prices of course! Our hall and toilets are wheelchair friendly. Please support this venture, money urgently needed for church funds. Thank you.

Day of Reflection for Readers: Saturday 9th February at St Dunstan's Church, Shaftesbury Road, Woking GU22 7DT, 11.00am-4.00pm Led by Bishop Richard, with talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, and practical aspects of the ministry. There will be a time of Lectio Divina, and the day will end with Mass. Registration from 10.30am. Refreshments provided. Please bring a packed lunch. Booking ESSENTIAL – please email ruth.gerun@dabnet.org or telephone (01293) 651164. *Please note that priority will be given to people who have not previously attended a readers' day with Bishop Richard.*

Retreat for Doctors: At Worth Abbey from Friday 1st March to Sunday 3rd March. The Spiritual Director is Fr Stephen Ortiger. Theme "Love Thy Neighbour as Yourself". £150 full board. For details and bookings please email the organiser, Dr Joe O'Dwyer, (adding Doctors' Retreat in subject) jodwyer@doctors.org.uk

COLLECTIONS: (19th/20th Jan)

St George's	£198.35
Pax Christi	£63.25
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£286.19
Pax Christi	£49.29
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 119 St G's 63	
Thank you for your continued generosity	
If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.	

Bonus Ball:

Sat 19th January
No: 45
Chris Brown

Wed 16th January
No:
No Winner