

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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ST WILFRID

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	30th	5.00pm	St Wilfrid's -	Penitential Service
Sat	30th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's -	Priest's Intention
Fourth 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent				
Sun	31st	9.00am	St George's -	Ellen Bonner's Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		2.30pm	St Georges -	No Stations Today
Mon	1st	2.30pm	St George's -	2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	2nd	10.00am	St George's -	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion with burial of Ashes
Wed	3rd	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Priest's Intention
Thur	4th	11.30am	St George's -	Priest's Intention
Fri	5th		St Wilfrid's -	No Service
Sat	6th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's -	Parish Communities' Intention
Fifth Sunday of Lent				
(Second Collection for Easter Flowers)				
Sun	7th	9.00am	St George's -	Parents of Nicholas Cooray RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Creta O'Neil RIP
		2.30pm	St George's -	Stations of the Cross
<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, Juliette Lusted, Evelyn South, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne Holt, Margaret, Ann Winter, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Bill O'Rourke, Chris Neyenhuizen, Judith Bourke, Fr Rory and Letty & Douglas Booth.

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:

Many thanks for all the care, concern, cards and other messages of help and goodwill that I have received. I am deeply grateful and will always be thankful.

Events like this are a mark of the mystery of life that each life is. When I was small, my father had to spend a lot of time in hospital, he was very patient about this, but above all his faith shone out. As indeed his sister May, who spent a lot of time in our house. Over and over I had reminders of them, and especially words that they said, like "far richer than gold". A refrain from my Auntie May "Maura, sure it's all marked out for us".

Again, my gratitude to our communities and especially to St Thomas a Becket School for the lovely cards and support from them. So I hope when I return to ministry I will be as helpful as I can, if you think I could be more helpful, then please let me know. I am looking forward to my return to ministry. In the meantime continue the good work, and during this Holy Season bring to it your best care and attention. My thanks to all who keep the flow of life in our church and school functioning better than ever.

Fr Rory

Second Collection 7th April 2019

There will be a second collection next Sunday, the 7th April, towards the cost of flowers and decorations for the Easter celebrations.

HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY

Burial of Ashes: On Tuesday April 2nd the ashes of Pamela Elliott (formerly Pamela Griffin) together with Thomas Elliott will be buried in the Memorial Garden after Liturgy.

There will be **Stations of the Cross** at St Wilfrid's on Good Friday at **11am**. All are encouraged to take part in this service.

Choir Practice for Easter Vigil: Could all who can sing and are willing to help with the Easter Vigil, please attend a choir practice on Tuesday 16th April at 7 pm in St Wilfrid's Church. It is hoped at least a dozen voices will volunteer.

Easter Cards are available at the back of St George's Church.

St George's Lenten Lunches: will be available throughout Lent for everyone to enjoy good soup and chatter! Members of both communities are warmly welcomed. Lunches will be on **Thursdays**, when Mass will be at 11.30am. All soup will be homemade and we will put up menus as we did last year, so please sign up to let us have an idea of numbers. Menus will be available each Sunday for the following week.

Milk Delivery: It feels truly good to do something to help those who have fallen on challenging times. Here in Hailsham, our last family run Organic dairy herd are having such a time. Could you switch from plastics to glass bottles and help both a family and our environment? Why not give traditional doorstep milk delivery a try and have fresh milk, cream, butter, ghee, and other items brought to your door. Give Julia a call on: 01323 449494 or email: sales@hookandson.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sat 6th April Family Stations of the Cross/Lent Lunch, St G's, 11am
Sun 7th April Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm
Tue 16th April Choir Practice for Easter Vigil, St Wilfrid's Church, 7pm
Fri 19th April Altar Server Practice, St Wilfrid's Church, 5pm
Sun 21st April Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm
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
Sun 30th June 1st Holy Communion B/fast, St. G's after 9am Mass
Sun 29th Sept Country Walk & Picnic, Route TBC, 11am-3pm

Please pray for Morgan Mukutirwa who is to be baptised and received into the Church at the Easter Vigil on April 20th.

Gift Aid: Following the appeal the other week at St Wilfrid's, the Gift Aid envelopes for the new tax year are available for collection at the back of the church. If anyone would like further details about how to join the Gift Aid scheme, please contact Gerry Palmer on 01323 832577.

Altar Server Practice: Could I appeal to all teenage and adult altar servers to attend a rehearsal for the Easter Vigil Service on Good Friday at 5 pm at St Wilfrid's. A minimum of 6 servers required to fulfil all the liturgical activities required for this extremely important Liturgy.

Healing Mass at St Wilfrid's: There will be a healing mass ending with solemn Benediction every Wednesday morning at 10am in Hailsham during the Lenten period. This is not to be confused with a Sacramental healing service. The oil used on the Wednesdays is the oil of gladness and as such this service of healing is open to anyone who feels they would like to be prayed over. The priest will also impose his hands on your head. You can also act as a proxy for someone who is ill in your family and cannot be present. The mass will of course be extended and may take around 45 minutes in total. Tea and Coffee will be available in the hall afterwards.

The children's liturgy on Palm Sunday at St. Wilfrid's will include the children examining all the events of Holy Week including the events surrounding the first mass on Holy Thursday - Jesus death on Good Friday and Resurrection on Easter Sunday. It's hoped as many of the children as possible will attend this.

COLLECTIONS: (23rd/24th March)

St George's	£223.15
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£323.17
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's	143
St G's	81

Thank you for your continued generosity
If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.

Bonus Ball:

Sat 23rd March
No:
No Winner

Wed 20th March
No: 12
Annette Wake