

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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ST WILFRID

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	25th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Sixth Sunday of Easter			
Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation			
(Special Collection for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese Today)			
(Special Collection for the Catholic Communications Network next Sunday)			
Sun	26th	9.00am	St George's - Tom McCann RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Priest's Intention
Mon	27th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	28th	10.00am	St George's - Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Wed	29th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - No Service
Wed	29th	7.30pm	St Wilfrid's - Vigil Mass for the Ascension
Thur	30th	10.00am	St George's - Philip Brown RIP
Fri	31st		St Wilfrid's - No Service
Sat	1st	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Seventh Sunday of Easter			
(Special Collection for the Catholic Communications Network Today)			
Sun	2nd	9.00am	St George's - Tom McCann RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Ada Mary Garna RIP

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 Holt, Margaret, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Lilian Summers, Bill O'Rourke, Chris Neyenhuizen, Judith Bourke, Fr Rory and Letty & Douglas Booth.

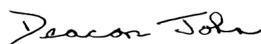
PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

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

Deacon John Writes:

I am sure that we are all aware that Jesus spent his life being concerned for other people. Do you worry about the times when your concern for others is not what it should be? If you do then perhaps this prayer, based on one by William Barclay, might help: God of all people, may I never pray as if there was no one except me. Help me to remember that I am not the only person in the world, and I live in a world in which there are many people who have troubles. Bless all those today who are lonely or frightened, all those who are shy or nervous, all those who are suffering a lot of pain, all those who are feeling depressed, all those who are worried, all those who are ill, and may not get better. Help me to forget my own troubles and to show loving care for the people I meet. May I remember that Jesus is my friend and brother, and may I try to be like that to everyone.

With my love and prayers for you all.



The Abbots Wood Annual Gathering was a huge success, everyone had a wonderful time socialising together, playing field games, taking part in a scavenger hunt and the ice creams bought via a donation by a generous parishioner. Our prayers were answered as a dull start turned into a glorious sunny day. Thanks to everyone who joined us. If you missed out there is always next year, 3rd Sunday of May, same time same place!

St George's Children's Liturgy Cake Sale: Thanks to everyone who supported the St Georges Children's Liturgy Cake Sale at the Plant Fair last week, we raised nearly £130 towards resources to enrich our Children's liturgy throughout the year.

United Nations Lunch - Change of Date: Please note the United Nations Lunch will now take place on Sunday 30th June, 12noon at St Wilfrid's Church.

St George's – thank you to our welcomers, choir, flower arrangers, organist, readers, altar servers and all who work so hard to make our church such an absolute pleasure to be part of. From the moment we walk through the door, enjoy being welcomed with a beaming smile, hear the sound of glorious singing, witness the wonderful display of flowers and meaningfully read readings of the day etc. we can take pleasure in being there. A BIG Thank You.

Hailsham Foodbank: Have given 3 day emergency food parcels for 2071 people between April 18 and March 19. This is a 39% increase on the previous year and actual increase of 585 people. 1.6 million were given out across the country. They were donated 17,691kg of stock. During the Easter Holiday Shack they served 203 hot meal. They have served 1795 meals since the Holiday Shack started in April 16. They were successful with a Bags of Help grant with Tesco and this month and June you can put your blue tokens in for them for help towards the Holiday Shack. Thank you.

Climate Pilgrimage

If you put one date in your diary this year make it Wednesday 26 June, and join CAFOD at an unforgettable event in London, lobbying our MP. It's time to confront the climate and environmental crisis and tell our leaders that Britain should no longer contribute to the destruction of our common home. More information at:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>

St Wilfrid's: First Holy Communion day is Sunday 26th May during our 10.30am Mass. We have four candidates this year, William, Freddie, Kiara and Carlos. Please pray for them and their families.

Advance Notice: Wednesday 29th May, 7.30pm at St Wilfrid's Church, there will be a Vigil Mass of the Ascension.

St George's Film Club:

Next dates for film club are: May 26th (1993) The latest adaptation of Mark Twain's timeless story. All showings start at 3 pm.

A Big Thank You: from Jean Spring and her "hearing dog" for her Birthday celebrations in the Hall after Sunday Mass last week.

St Wilfrid's Crowning of Our Lady's Statue: This took place last Sunday and was enjoyed by all, especially the children.

Wanted: St George's young parishioners, Maria & Bruno, are running the second-hand DVD and Book stall at their school summer fayre on Saturday 29th June and would love your support via donations of books and DVDs. Please leave bagged in the back of the church you attend labelled, 'School Summer Fayre'. Thank you for your support.

Wanted: If anyone has any unwanted magazines/board games or anything suitable for Seniors to use in the Care Home I work at, please save for me. It will be much appreciated. Many thanks, Julie x

St George's Bible Study Group: A Bible Study group takes place every Tuesday at 6 pm. Sessions last 1 hour. For information please ring Merce (07855452741)

Rosary Campaign: Please continue with the KSC and SPUC's Campaign and pray the Rosary for the Unborn. The intention for May is for women and families struggling with infertility.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 26th May First Holy Communion, St Wilfrid's Church, 10.30am
Sun 26th May Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm
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 30th June United Nations Lunch, St Wilfrid's Church, 12noon
Sun 29th Sept Country Walk & Picnic, Route TBC, 11am-3pm

COLLECTIONS: (18th/19th May)

St George's	£184.10
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£234.01
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 143 St G's 80	

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If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.

Bonus Ball:

Sat 18th May
No: 3
Judy Davis

Wed 15th May
No:
No Winner