

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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ST WILFRID

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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	24th	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - John Murphy RIP
			Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	25th	9.00am	St George's - Joan Lodrick RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention
Mon	26th	2.30pm	St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays
Tue	27th	10.00am	St George's - Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Wed	28th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's - St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor, Bill O'Rourke RIP
Thur	29th	10.00am	St George's - The Passion of St John the Baptist, Holy Souls' (MM)
Fri	30th		St Wilfrid's - No Service
Sat	31st	6.00pm	St Wilfrid's - John & Marilyn Simmonds 60th Wedding Anniversary
			Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
			(Special Collection for the Catholic Education Service next Sunday)
Sun	1st	9.00am	St George's - Pat Burke RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' 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 Holt, Margaret, Lilian Summers, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Angela & Michael Archer, Chris Neyenhuizen, 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:

Fr Rory wrote a few weeks ago about two deaths that had occurred recently in our communities. The following are two articles which are about how we might cope with tragedies in our own families. I hope you find them helpful and give food for thought: The first is Sister Joan Chittister's response to a reporter who asked her how she kept going after her family tragedy: "Birds sing after a storm. Why shouldn't people feel as free to delight in whatever remains to them? Mourning what we have lost in life only obscures the beauty of what remains." Sr. Joan is an American Benedictine nun, theologian, author and speaker. She has served as co-chair of the Global Peace Initiative of Women.

On the same theme, the Right Reverend Monsignor Roderick Strange, a Visiting Professor at St Mary's University, having previously been rector of the Pontifical Bede College in Rome, wrote: "We never get over the wounds we have received; our defeats are always defeats. However, if we allow ourselves to become completely absorbed in our own misfortune, if we cut ourselves off, then the defeat creates a crippling selfishness, and is death-dealing indeed. But if we resist the whirlpool of selfishness, and turn outwards, determined to show care and generosity and love where it is needed, if we keep our hearts open, then the transforming change can and will take place."

Deacon John

Churches Together Polegate Willingdon and Jevington:

The annual service of "Songs of Praise" will be taking place at St George's this year, on Sunday 8th September at 4.00pm. Do come and enjoy this very uplifting occasion, followed by refreshments in the hall.

St George's Film Club: The showing of the film (1959) with Audrey Hepburn has been **postponed** from the 25th August to the **1st of September**. There will be no film club on the 25th. Film starts at 3 pm.

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Tea in the Tower will take place in the Saxon Tower of St. Andrew's Church, Jevington, from 11.00 am until 4.00pm on August 31st. Visitors will be warmly welcomed to tea, coffee, homemade cakes and savouries. Teas are free, but donations will be very welcome to help in the maintenance of St. Andrews Church. This Norman church has been a place of worship for over 1000 years!

Mothers' Prayers. Your local group has been running for nearly a year. We would like to share with some new Mothers, the work that Jesus is doing for our Children. We have been so amazed at the love and care for our Children even our grown up offspring, we would like to share our group with others. Please ring if you are interested Polegate 487688 Cathy All is most confidential.

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

The **Rosary** is offered at St Wilfrid's Hospice, in the Retreat, every Thursday at 10.45am. All welcome.

Friends of EDGH: Please remember to save all your stamps. These can be left in both the church porches for collection.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 1st Sept St George's Film Club, St George's Hall, 3pm
Tue 3rd Sept St George's Parish Council Mtg, St G's Hall, 10.30am
Sun 29th Sept Country Walk & Picnic, Route TBC, 11am-3pm
Sun 1st Dec Las Posadas Party, St George's Hall, 3pm

Outing: We are organising an outing for all the parishioners of St. George's and St. Wilfrid's churches on Sunday 8th September 2019. We will meet at St Mary the Virgin Church car park, in Ringmer, at 12 pm and walk towards the green, where we will spend some time picking up berries. After that, we will go back to the car park and head to St. George's hall, where grown ups will make jam and children will decorate jars. Once the work is done, we will serve Afternoon Tea with delicious jam and scones for everybody (around 3:30 pm). There will be board games for both children and grown ups to play at the hall. Please, bring carrier bags and as many jars (small and medium sizes) you can. Those who may prefer to do just a little walk, could wait for us to come back from the green, at The Anchor pub, just opposite the church. We look forward to seeing you there!

Special Celebration Service: at St John's, Meads on 9th September at 2pm. Open the Book (part of the Bible Society) is celebrating 20 years of ministry. The service will include a presentation by Bob Hartman, author and illustrator of the wonderful Lion Storyteller Bible, and a storytelling by the St John's Open the Book team. Pupils from St John's School will be sharing their experience of Open the Book and saying prayers. There will be afternoon tea after the service. Please come and share this special time with us, and discover more about Open the Book.

Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers: on Saturday 14th September, at 12noon, with Bishop Richard presiding. For all who have served, are serving and anybody who would like to. Please bring cassock/cotta or alb. Light refreshments will follow (bring a packed lunch if you wish).

The Knights of St Columba and SPUC invite everyone to continue praying the Rosary for the Unborn. The intention for August is for women and families expecting a child at this time.

Church Website - You can now subscribe on our website to be emailed the latest newsletter.

COLLECTIONS: (17th/18th Aug)

St George's	£183.12
Weekly aver./Monthly D/D	£146.33
St Wilfrid's	£389.70
CAFOD	£5.57
Weekly aver. of DD	£204.60
Attendances: St W's 129 St G's 70	
Thank you for your continued generosity	
If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes.	

Bonus Ball:

Sat 17th Aug
 No: 45
 Chris Browne

Wed 14th Aug
 No: 23
 No Winner