

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

THE COLLECT

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,
at all times go before us and follow after
and make us always determined
to carry out good works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom

7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 89:12-17. R.v14

R) Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R)**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **(R)**

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any
double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the
place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the
marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No
created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and
open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of
ourselves.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
How happy the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Alleluia!

Mt 5:3

Ps 129:3-4

GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-30

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt
before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must
I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me
good? No one is good but God alone. You know the command-
ments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must
not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud;
Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I
have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily
at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack.
Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor,
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But
his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a
man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is
for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The
disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted,
'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the
kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye
of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.'
They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case,' they said
to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For
men,' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because every-
thing is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him.
'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell
you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers,
sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of
the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses,
brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without
persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to
come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that, through these acts of devotedness,
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

1 Jn 3:2

**When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,
for we shall see him as he is.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord,
that, as you feed us with the nourishment
which comes from the most holy Body and Blood
of your Son,
so you may make us sharers of his divine nature.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



"Good Master," says the young man,
"What must I do to inherit eternal
life?" He has understood God's
loving purpose for us all: eternal life.
Life, we could say, with a capital L,
for we know that that life will be a
share in God's own life of happiness
and glory. For this present life, God

has given us a plan of action, which
he reiterates for the young man; a
challenging plan of action, which the
young man has so far followed.
Now Jesus raises the challenge,
linking it strongly to himself. He has
already made it clear, by his words
and actions, that he has the right to
make this new challenge and the
power to enable its fulfilment. This
the Apostles and disciples have relied
on, in following Jesus. The young
man found the challenge too great;
but since that time, many men and
women, have received that same
invitation, to "leave house, brothers,
sisters, father children or land" and

follow Jesus. Some have followed the
disciples' example and have accepted
the challenge. They have "left all to
follow" Jesus: in the priesthood, in
the religious life. Their fear of
"persecution" has been overcome by
their trust in Our Lord's promise of
repayment "a hundred times over ...
now in this present time", and,
finally, "eternal life".



EVANGELII GAUDIUM (JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



INFORMATION WITHOUT WISDOM

49. As silence and careful listening
disappear, replaced by a frenzy of
texting, this basic structure of sage
human communication is at risk. A new
lifestyle is emerging, where we create
only what we want and exclude all that
we cannot control or know instantly
and superficially. This process, by its
intrinsic logic, blocks the kind of serene
reflection that could lead us to a shared
wisdom.

St Teresa's Way of Perfection* GIVE THANKS FOR GOD ALWAYS

It is only the life to come which makes us true Christians.
No one should think that worldly happiness or good
things in this life will result from being a Christian. They
should rather use their present good fortune while it lasts
in whatever way and to whatever extent they can. When
they have good fortune, they should give thanks for God's
compassion. When it is absent, they should give thanks
for his righteousness. In all circumstances they should be
grateful to their Father when he consoles and comforts
them, but also when he corrects and punishes them. For
God always loves us whether he consoles or reproves us,
and we should repeat what we hear in this psalm: 'It is
good to give thanks to the Lord, and sing praises to your
name, O Most High'.

*Augustine of Hippo Edited by Oliver Davies Published by New City



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WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	9th		St Wilfrid's	
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (This is Prisons Week; Collection for PACT)				
Sun	10th	9.00am	St George's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Norman & Angela Wright RIP
Mon	11th	2.30pm	St George's -	Rosary Group
Tue	12th	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Margaret Madams RIP
Wed	13th	10.00am	St George's -	Harriet Fairchild RIP
Thurs	14th		St George's -	No Mass
Fri	15th		St Wilfrid's -	No Mass
Sat	16th		St Wilfrid's -	
Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Next Sunday Collection for Missio)				
Sun	17th	9.00am	St George's -	Holy Souls' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Parish Communities' Intention

St George's Church, Masses are on Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10am and Sundays, 9am. Weekly attendance is now possible; please notify Sandra, 07791627368 or sandraforte40@gmail.com if you are returning on Sundays to ensure social distancing can be in place if needed. **St Wilfrid's Church**: Go to our website www.saintsgeorgeandwilfrid.co.uk, click the link "Book a Mass" on the righthand side of the front page, select your Mass and follow the instructions, or contact the office on 841504.

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.

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
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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, Jennifer Piskac, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne Holt, Margaret, Rosie Tuson, Dee Challis, Lilian Summers, Tom Woodrow-Spencer, Colleen, Chris Neyenhuizen, Letty Booth and Michael Copper.

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 9am-1pm & Friday 9am-12.30pm

Deacon John Writes:

The Scripture readings we have heard recently offer us an invitation to become instruments of healing in Jesus' hands by giving voice to the voiceless, the needy, and the marginalised in our society. We have been invited to open our ears to hear the word of God and to allow the Holy Spirit to loosen our tongues to spread the Good News of God's love and salvation to others. God especially cares for "the frightened, the blind, the deaf, the lame, the mute," and He encourages the powerless to "be strong and fearless." Psalm 146 sings of a God who gives sight to the blind, raises up those who are bowed down and welcomes strangers. The Psalmist thanks God and asks us to rejoice because "the God of Jacob keeps Faith forever," keeping His promise of peace and fullness of life for His people. In recent readings we have been given some basic, challenging principles of social justice. He exhorts Christians to show no partiality based on external appearance and to practice God's "preferential option for the poor." He warns the faithful against scorning or shaming the poor while showing special consideration to the rich. Recently the Sunday Gospel described how Jesus, by healing a deaf man with a speech impediment, "The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." In another recent reading Isaiah listed conditions which are symbolic of our interior illnesses: blindness to the needs of our neighbour, unwillingness to hear God's voice and the inability to speak words of praise, apology, forgiveness, and gratitude.

Through the readings we hear at Mass we are constantly reminded that no one can be a follower of Jesus without reaching out to the helpless.

Deacon John

Prisoners' Sunday - 10th October 2021

Pact, the national Catholic charity supporting prisoners, people with convictions, defendants and their families, continues to be a shining example of strength and conviction. Pact continues to bring hope in what continues to be a very difficult environment: hope to families and children who have suffered prolonged separation; hope to those who have been confined to their cells for 23 hours a day for over a year.

Rooted in Catholic Social Teaching the staff and volunteers at Pact are unrelenting in their dedication to accompanying people on their journey through the criminal justice system to a fresh start and new opportunities.

Pact, its staff and beneficiaries will be grateful for any support you may be able to offer at any point in the year. Please do contact the Pact team for more information, either by telephone on 020 3031 6867, or by email parish.action@prisonadvise.org.uk

LOVE IN A BOX:

At St George's we are getting into gear for this year's Love In A Box campaign. There are leaflets and a small number of ready wrapped shoe boxes for collection at the back of the church, please help yourself. For the month of October the sale table will have a range of little extras for you to take to "bolster your box" and add to your shoebox. These are NOT for sale, help yourself. All boxes to be returned by Sunday 14th November please. If you're not able to make up a box yourself, you might consider making a donation towards the cost of transport as each lorry costs £4,000.

St George's table sale is being run by Children's liturgy, suitable second-hand items to sell are needed, books, toys, puzzles, China etc. Please leave donations at the back of church clearly marked. Fundraising will be used for Church groups and social activities for the parish.

Margaret Gearing's Ashes will be buried at St George's on Thursday 28th October after Mass.

Ann Eamer: Ann's Funeral Mass will be on Tuesday 19th October at 2pm in St George's Church.

Thank You: A big thank you to everyone who contributed towards the purchase of the chairs for the hall. The total came to £903.00. Many thanks, Maeve.

Our thanks to Ros and Stella who before the pandemic started had sold books and plants raising £200. This paid for the make over in the Remembrance Garden at St George's with the residue to be used to maintain a seasonal display and keep it looking as beautiful as it currently does.

St George's is sparkling, fresh and clean thanks to hard work by Pailey and Shirley this week. Shirley removed candle wax from the altar carpet whilst Pailey used his Vax machine to shampoo the aisle and altar carpet. This will be done now quarterly so if you would like to help let Pailey know. Thank you to both of them.

Tea/Coffee at St Wilfrid's: Did you know we are serving tea/coffee and biscuits/cakes after the 10.30am Mass every Sunday. Do pop in and meet some new friends and get to know your parishioners, we are a very friendly lot and we welcome you. There is an Honesty Pot if you would kindly make a donation to cover the cost of these refreshments. Thank you.

We look forward to meeting you, also don't forget our 'Sales Table' is up and running - plenty of bargains to be had. Please leave suitable gifts for the table in the porch, marked 'Sales Table' please. We are still hoping for someone to come forward to take on the very rewarding job of keeping our Altar Servers Alb's fit for the important job they do for us. If you can't contact David Hoad - who teachers them, then call or see Annette who helps us with the "Children's Liturgy". Tel: 849732, thank you in anticipation.

Feast of St Wilfrid - Patron of the church in Hailsham

As Tuesday is the Feast of St Wilfrid the Mass will be held at St Wilfrid's Church at 10am, this will be a Healing Mass concluding with Benediction. A Mass will be held at St George's on Wednesday at 10am.

Afternoon Tea for our over 50's: After our successful "Afternoon Tea" for our over 50's. The next date is Thursday 28th October at 2pm in St Wilfrid's Church Hall. We have a few surprises for you all! So do come and enjoy yourselves.

Lunch at Kings Head - Friday 8th October: Sorry you missed out if you couldn't attend this time, perhaps next time? Thinking about either Thursday 4th or Friday 5th November for our next lunch date. Let me know which date you prefer please; Tel Joan 07873 390944.

Right to Life.org.

We are currently hiring for a number of positions across media, public affairs, digital and operations.

In particular we are looking urgently to fill positions in our Public Affairs team.

If this is of interest to you or you know of someone who might be interested, please see the notice in the porch that gives details of the positions available. We are expecting another attempt from the abortion lobby later this year that will change abortion in the UK.

www.righttolife.org.uk/jobs/

St Wilfrid's Church - Notices at Mass on Sunday. If you require a notice read out after Mass please email or phone Jean by Saturday mornings. jeanbarham21@gmail.com Tel: 842824.

St Wilfrid's Ministries:

We are looking to expand our volunteer team here at St Wilfrid's so when you are leaving Mass please pick up a volunteers form and see if there is anything you would be able to help with. We are very short on volunteers due to the fact that most of our volunteers come from the older members of our church community.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms: Now everyone is starting to turn on their heating at home, please make sure you have adequate Carbon Monoxide Detectors installed to keep you safe.

We desperately need someone to look after and maintain our altar servers albs here at St Wilfrid's. If you can help with this please see David Hoad.