

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** Cf. Ps 85: 3, 5  
**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.**  
**O Lord, you are good and forgiving,**  
**full of mercy to all who call to you.**

**THE COLLECT**  
God of might, giver of every good gift,  
put into our hearts the love of your name,  
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,  
you may nurture in us what is good  
and, by your watchful care,  
keep safe what you have nurtured.  
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 Ecclesiasticus 3:19-21. 30-31

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business,  
and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.  
The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,  
and then you will find favour with the Lord;  
for great though the power of the Lord is,  
he accepts the homage of the humble.  
There is no cure for the proud man’s malady,  
since an evil growth has taken root in him.  
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,  
an attentive ear is the sage’s dream.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** Ps 67:4-7.10-11. R.cf.v11

**R) In your goodness, O God,**  
**you prepared a home for the poor.**

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God,  
they shall exult and dance for joy.  
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;  
rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **(R)**

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,  
such is God in his holy place.  
God gives the lonely a home to live in;  
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **(R)**

You poured down, O God, a generous rain:  
when your people were starved you gave them new life.  
It was there that your people found a home,  
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **(R)**

**SECOND READING**  
A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 12:18-19. 22-24

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses; not a  
blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or  
trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made  
everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them.  
But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the  
living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels  
have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which  
everyone is a ‘first-born son’ and a citizen of heaven. You have  
come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with

spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus,  
the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The word of the Lord.  
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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
**Alleluia, alleluia!** Jn 14:23  
**If anyone loves me he will keep my word,**  
**and my Father will love him,**  
**and we shall come to him.**  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** Luke 14:1. 7-14

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

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of  
one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He  
then told the guests a parable, because he noticed how they  
picked the places of honour. He said this, ‘When someone  
invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place  
of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been  
invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say,  
“Give up your place to this man.” And then, to your  
embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest  
place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest  
place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say,  
“My friend, move up higher.” In that way, everyone with you at  
the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts  
himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will  
be exalted.’

Then he said to his host, ‘When you give a lunch or a dinner,  
do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours,  
for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No;  
when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame,  
the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are  
fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the  
virtuous rise again.’

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

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**  
May this sacred offering, O Lord,  
confer on us always the blessing of salvation,  
that what it celebrates in mystery  
it may accomplish in power.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** Ps 30: 20  
**How great is the goodness, Lord,**  
**that you keep for those who fear you.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  
Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table,  
we beseech you, Lord,  
that, being the food of charity,  
it may confirm our hearts  
and stir us to serve you in our neighbour.  
Through Christ our Lord.

# THE ORDER OF MASS

*Whenever the Priest says:*  
The Lord be with you.  
*The people reply:*  
And with your spirit.

**Penitential Act**  
I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have  
failed to do,  
*And, striking their breast, they say:*  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

*Or:*  
Have mercy on us, O Lord.  
**For we have sinned against you.**  
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.  
**And grant us your salvation.**

*Or:*  
You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:  
Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**  
You came to call sinners:  
Christ, have mercy. *Or:* Christe, eleison.  
**Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.**  
You are seated at the right hand of the  
Father to intercede for us:  
Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

**The Gloria**  
Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

**We praise you,**  
**we bless you,**  
**we adore you,**  
**we glorify you,**  
**we give you thanks for your great glory,**  
**Lord God, heavenly King,**  
**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**  
**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**  
**you take away the sins of the world,**  
**have mercy on us;**  
**you take away the sins of the world,**  
**receive our prayer;**  
**you are seated at the right hand of the Father,**  
**have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**  
**you alone are the Lord,**  
**you alone are the Most High,**  
**Jesus Christ,**  
**with the Holy Spirit,**  
**in the glory of God the Father.**  
**Amen.**

**The Nicene Creed**  
I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,**  
**he suffered death and was buried,**  
**and rose again on the third day**  
**in accordance with the Scriptures.**  
**He ascended into heaven**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Or:*  
**The Apostles’ Creed**  
I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

*All bow*  
**born of the Virgin Mary,**  
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**  
**was crucified, died and was buried;**  
**he descended into hell;**  
**on the third day he rose again from the dead;**  
**he ascended into heaven,**  
**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;**  
**from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**  
**the holy catholic Church,**  
**the communion of saints,**  
**the forgiveness of sins,**  
**the resurrection of the body,**  
**and life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Liturgy of the Eucharist**  
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),...  
**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**  
**for the praise and glory of his name,**  
**for our good**  
**and the good of all his holy Church.**

**The Eucharistic Prayer**  
The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right and just.**

*Kneel*  
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**  
**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

The mystery of faith.  
**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,**  
**and profess your Resurrection**  
**until you come again.**

*Or:*  
*Stand*  
**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,**  
**we proclaim your Death, O Lord,**  
**until you come again.**

*Or:*  
**Save us, Saviour of the world,**  
**for by your Cross and Resurrection**  
**you have set us free.**

**The Communion Rite**  
Behold the Lamb of God...  
**Lord, I am not worthy**  
**that you should enter under my roof,**  
**but only say the word**  
**and my soul shall be healed.**

*All bow*  
**The Concluding Rites**  
*After the blessing the Deacon, or the Priest, says:*  
Go forth, the Mass is ended. *Or:*  
Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. *Or:*  
Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. *Or:*  
Go in peace.  
*The people reply:*  
**Thanks be to God.**

# PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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## ST WILFRID



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### WEEKLY SERVICES

Sat	27th	11.00am	St Wilfrid's	Church Open for Prayer and Confessions
<b>Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>				
Sun	28th	9.00am	St George's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Marie Kelly RIP
Mon	29th	2.30pm	St George's -	Rosary Group
Tue	30th	10.00am	St George's -	Edna Andrews RIP
Wed	31st	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Lemon Family Intention
Thurs	1st	10.00am	St George's -	Nick & Jeanette Blackwell's Intention
Fri	2nd	10.00am	St Wilfrid's -	Holy Souls' Intention
Sat	3rd		St Wilfrid's -	Church Open for Prayer and Confessions
<b>Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>				
<b>(Collection for Catholic Education next Sunday)</b>				
Sun	4th	9.00am	St George's -	Parish Communities' Intention
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's -	Jennifer Barnett RIP

Confessions on request at anytime or before and after Masses at St Wilfrid's and St George's Church

**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  
St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 487212  
St George's & St Wilfrid's Finance Committee Treasurers Monika Beaver  
Chairperson of the Finance Committee Gerry Palmer  
**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 Line .....Jean Barham-Wyatt Tel: (01323) 842824

**CROSSLINK CHURCHES TOGETHER, HAILSHAM**

**POLEGATE CHURCHES TOGETHER**  
Contact: Anne Bowe Tel: 07808 175455

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** those who are unwell: Lily May, 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, Sebastian Martin, Michael Copper, Peter Standen, Laurey & Richard Stimpson, Nicole McCutchan and Jean Barham-Wyatt.

**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

## Fr Rory Writes:

Greetings and best wishes for the holiday season. Thanks be to God there has been many reasons for celebrations. So we must keep as positive and helpful as possible, as indeed times can be difficult.

*Fr Rory*

### THE PARISH OF ST GEORGE & ST WILFRID YOUTH GROUP 2022/23

If you or your child are aged between 11 and 19 and want to find out more about our Newly established Parish Youth Group please join us on Sunday 9th October, 4pm at St George's Church Hall Polegate. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

At the meeting we will:

- outline our planned programme of Confirmation preparation Sessions for those wishing to prepare for receiving the sacrament in May 2023 (age 14 -19). Please ensure you attend if you or your child will be wanting to take part in this programme.
- Consider areas of parish life our youth would like to become more involved in. Some of our teenagers already read, serve etc. but we would love for all of them to consider helping with one small responsibility within any of our Church ministries, from serving teas, reading, welcoming, creating displays, offertory etc.
- ask our teenagers what types of activities they would like offered by the parish to enable them to enjoy more time together.

Once established, Our Parish Youth Group, plans to gather once termly and is open to all our older parish children/teenagers and their friends and intends to focus on learning, sharing, serving, fellowship, spiritual growth and fun.

Please email [sandraforte40@gmail.com](mailto:sandraforte40@gmail.com) or call 07791 627368 for further information.

**Accommodation Required:** Last Sunday, one of our mass-goers asked me to help her find a 2 bedroom property, in the Hailsham area. She is a care worker. Please contact me if anyone can help. Fr Rory.

### Centenary Celebrations:

The catering team would like to thank everyone for their generous donations towards the centenary celebrations, which enabled us to provide an abundant variety of food and drink. We have received a lot of feedback, which enables us to review and improve food choices for future events.

Many thanks to those who were involved in the planning, sourcing shopping, preparing and distributing food and also cleaning and decorating the hall inside and out. About a dozen people were involved and worked tirelessly to achieve the outcome. So, thank you to all those who chopped, cut, filled food and wielded cocktail sticks all day long; washing up seemingly forever in the recesses of the kitchen; collected the sandwich order from Eastbourne; stored the food in various fridges throughout the parish to ensure a safely prepared and attractive display.

Finally, for all of you who appreciated the efforts, may we ask you to consider the following:

We desperately need fresh pairs of younger legs to assist us on any event day, as a number of the team find that their legs and feet throb unmercifully after the day's event! So, please, if you can possibly help us out next time, put yourself forward now, to find out what it all involves. You will be strengthening our parish community and saving overtired legs.

Thank you for your kind response.

**Hailsham Foodbank:** are collecting milk bottle tops to help raise more money. Please help them by bringing in your washed red, blue and green milk bottle tops only and place in the church porch. Thank you.

**The Relics of St Bernadette** will soon arrive in England for the very first time. They will be at Arundel Cathedral from 9am on Saturday 22 October until 2pm on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> when they travel to Worth Abbey and remain there until 6pm on Monday 24 October. To ensure the comfort and safety of pilgrims, visitors are asked to register their attendance, online, choosing a dedicated timeslot for either the Cathedral or Abbey, at <https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/>. For those people who do not wish to travel by car, the Knights of St Columba are booking a coach to visit Worth Abbey on Monday 24 October, arriving for the 1pm booked slot. The cost will be about £25 per head. Further details from Bob on 07752 043009.

LINK for Online Masses & Recordings: <https://saintsgeorgeandwilfrid.co.uk/online-masses-and-recordings/>

LINK for Funerals & Baptisms: <https://saintsgeorgeandwilfrid.co.uk/other-services/>

LINK Facebook <https://m.facebook.com/gary.westcar#> =

### Dates for your Diary

**Sun 11th September** - St George's & St Wilfrid's Children's Liturgy resumes.

**Thurs 29th September, 2pm** - Afternoon Tea for the over 50's, St Wilfrid's Hall.

**Fri 30th September, 11am** - Bereavement Group, St Wilfrid's Hall.

**Sun 9th October, 4pm** - Parish Young Group, St George's Hall.

**Sunday 21st August 2022**

St George's Attendances: 58      St Wilfrid's Attendances: 71

