27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cf. Est 4: 17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

#### THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 prophet Habakkuk

1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM**

Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R.v9

# R) O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R)

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R)

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R)

#### **I SECOND READING**

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

1:6-8. 13-1

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! 1Sam 3:9; Jn 6:68 Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 17:5-10

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lam 3: 25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. 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.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

For we have sinned against you.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

And grant us your salvation.

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. 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.

#### The Nicene Creed

Amen.

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.

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.

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

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.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

Go in peace.

The people reply: Thanks be to God.

# PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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### ST WILFRID

South Road Hailsham



## WEEKLY \$ERVICE\$

27th 9	SUNDAY	in ORDIN	IARY TIME
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(This Friday is CAFOD Harvest Fast Day, Collection for CAFOD next Sunday)

St George's -Donato (David) Forte RIP Sun 2nd 9am **Betty Robinson RIP** 10.30am St Wilfrid's -Mon 3rd 2.30pm St George's — Rosary Group —All welcome Parish Communities' Intention 4th 10am St George's — Tues Wed 5th 10am St Wilfrid's -**Family Intention** Thur 6th 10am St George's -Margaret Madams RIP **Encinas Family Intention** Fri 7th 10am St Wilfrid's -28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

(Collection for CAFOD Today) (Collection next Sunday for PACT)

Sun 9th 9am St George's — Parish Youth Group Int.

10.30am St Wilfrid's -Parish Youth Group Int.

Confession on request before and after Mass or at other times by arrangement with Father Rory. Unable to attend mass? The 10.30am St Wilfrid's mass is livestreamed when possible and can be accessed via the Parish Website or via the following: https://saintsgeorgeandwilfrid.co.uk/online-masses-and-recordings/ Facebook: https://m.facebook.com/gary.westcar# =

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.

Local Catholic Education Contacts: 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

### USEFUL PARISH INFORMATION

St Wilfrid's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 832577

St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 487112

St George's & St. Wilfrid's

**Finance Committee Treasurers** Monika Beaver Chairperson of the Finance Committee Gerry Palmer

ALL CORRESPONDENCE VIA THE PRIEST'S HOUSE PLEASE

Polegate Hall Hire (01323) 504753

Hailsham Hall Hire: (01323) 841504 or email at above address

Prayer Line Jean Barham-Wyatt (01323) 842824

#### **IMPORTANT GIFT AID:**

If any parishioner wishes to join the scheme please contact - Gerry on 01323 832577. By signing up the parish can benefit by claiming back from HMRC a further 25% on all your donations at no additional cost to you.

**CROSSLINK CHURCHES TOGETHER, HAILSHAM:** Volunteer needed contact Father Rory

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

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are unwell

Lily May, Julliette 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, Michael Copper, Peter Standen, Laurey & Richard Stimpson, Nicole McCutchan, Jean Barham-Wyatt, Margaret Piegrome.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

A WARM WELCOME: to all who join us for Mass, especially to any visitors.

New to the Parish/would like to get back in touch but not sure how? Please complete the welcome form in the porch and/or make yourself known to Fr. Rory. It would be great to get to know you and offer any help.

#### **Deacon John Writes:**

All three readings for this Sunday speak a lot about "Faith" and how it works in our lives. St. Thomas Aquinas wrote: "To one who has Faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without Faith, no explanation is possible." It is this Faith that is the basis of the readings today. They give us three concepts of Faith. The theological virtue of Faith enables us to believe something to be true and therefore worthy of trust simply because it has been revealed to us by God. In his instructions to Timothy, Paul shows Faith operating as a believing, trusting, loving relationship with Christ. The third concept of Christian Faith is that trusting Faith is God in action, shown by steadfast loyalty, fidelity and total commitment to Him. This results in our offering ourselves to Him in those we encounter, through our humble, loving service.

This ought to lead us to three things we should do this week and every week. First, we need to thank God, giving Him the credit for our well- being. It is easy to forget God's providence when our earthly affairs are going well. We often pray to Him only when trouble strikes - that is too late! In His Infinite Goodness however, God often answers such prayers. A stronger Faith will help us to accept the adversities and the trials of life when we ask God to "Increase our Faith, Lord!" at all times.

Secondly we can increase our Faith ourselves by becoming active servants of God. We grow in Faith as we act in Faith. Surely we can find many ways to help to make Christ known to a neighbour - a quiet word, a charitable gesture, an unselfish interest in a neighbour's troubles can do more good than a multitude of sermons given by some well known theologian.

Thirdly, we need to grow in Faith by using the means Christ has given us in his Church - through prayer, Bible study, participation in the Mass and leading a determined spiritual life. With my love and prayers for you all. DJ

#### Whole Parish Harvest Celebration & CAFOD Fast Day 7th October

Last Sunday's Harvest Masses were extremely successful, donations to the foodbank were generous Eastbourne confirmed 62.9kilos being received and Hailsham a good haul so far that will be collected w/c10th Oct.

**Please Note:** St George's has a basket for ongoing weekly donations and St Wilfrid's will continue to collect up to 9th October. The demands on this local charity to feed those in need are at there highest.

**Our Cafod fundraising** so far has raised over £320. St George parishioners' charity breakfast was delicious and donations were generous. St Wilfrid's sale of fresh produce was also extremely fruitful with promises of more payments this week. Our thanks to all those who gave their time to plan these fundraisers and helped with baking, donating fresh foods, serving and selling on the day. And of course those who attended and bought.

We still have more opportunities to maximise the Parish Harvest support to CAFOD with **Next Friday's Harvest Fast Day (7th October)** there will be a retiring collection next Sunday after mass. Please collect an envelope.

Important Parish Youth Group Launch—all 11-19 youth along with their parents/carers are invited to attend our launch event at St George's Hall Polegate 4pm Sunday 9th October. More info please speak Anette, Angela, Teresa, Mary B, Mary O, or Sandra after mass. Or call/text Sandra on 07791 627368.

October—The Month of the Holy Rosary is a good time to start praying the Rosary more frequently. We can pray the Rosary anywhere, alone, with our family/friends, or as a parish group. Our Parish Rosary Group, takes place at St George's Church. It started in 2009 and some of us are still going strong! We meet every Monday afternoon at 2.30pm, except on Bank Holidays. We have a core group but are frequently joined by others praying for a special intention and we pray for any intention that is passed to us. After our prayers we enjoy tea and cake and always have a lot to say to each other. Visitors and new regular members are always more than welcome. For more information or to request an intention please speak to Jean Hines or make the request via the parish office FAO Parish Rosary Group. St Wilfrid's—The Rosary is prayed before weekday masses on Wednesday and Friday.

"Retrouvaille" is a programme for healing marriages, even when couples are separated, going through divorce, or are divorced. It is never too late when both are willing to try. Couples work together to learn a better way to relate and live. The virtual programme commences on 13 - 16 October 2022. Call or text + 44 788 7296983/+44 797 3380443 - email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

#### **Dates for your Diary:**

Sun 9th Oct, 4pm - Parish Youth Group Launch St G's Hall. Fri 28th Oct, Parish Bereavement Group, St W's Hall.

**St George's** — Can you help with Tea and Coffee after mass one Sunday a month? Speak to Sandra.

Christmas cards are on sale at the back of St. George's Church.

**Welcome Back Father Rory**—we hope you had a Lovely birthday and break away with your family.

**Sunday 25h Sept - Mass Attendance:**St Wilfrid's 86 St George's 76