



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Cf. Ps 87:3

THE COLLECT

Almighty and merciful God,
graciously keep from us all adversity,
so that, unhindered in mind and body alike,
we may pursue in freedom of heart
the things that are yours.
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 second book of Maccabees 7:1-2. 9-14

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps. 16:1.5-6.8.15. R.v15

**R) I shall be filled, when I awake,
with the sight of your glory, O Lord.**

Lord, hear a cause that is just,
pay heed to my cry.
Turn your ear to my prayer:
no deceit is on my lips. **(R)**

I kept my feet firmly in your paths;
there was no faltering in my steps.
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **(R)**

Guard me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face
and be filled, when I awake,
with the sight of your glory. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

2:16-3.5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Lk 21:36
Stay awake, praying at all times
for the strength to stand with confidence before
the Son of Man.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38

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

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?'

Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord,
upon the sacrificial gifts offered here,
that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son,
we may honour it with loving devotion.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 24:35

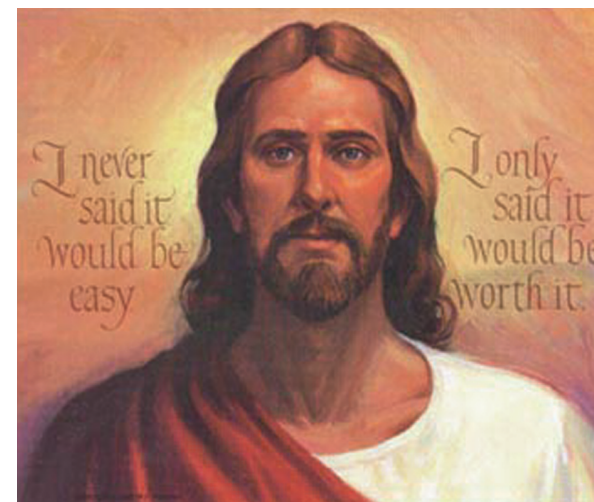
The disciples recognized the
Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord,
we give you thanks and beseech your mercy,
that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit,
the grace of integrity may endure
in those your heavenly power has entered.
Through Christ our Lord.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



Today's Gospel recounts one of the many occasions when Jesus was challenged by the Jewish leaders. This time it is the Sadducees who try to trick him. The Sadducees were

religious Jews who were high priests and nobles. They were wealthy, influential, and powerful. They did not believe in the resurrection, which is probably why they asked this particular question. Knowing this, Jesus tells them that "Moses himself

implies that the dead rise again". Jesus makes it very clear to the Sadducees that after the resurrection life will be completely different to that on earth and that there will be

no 'marriages' there. We have to be careful, because the desire of many married couple is that they will be reunited in the next life. It is true that we will be reunited to our loved ones in heaven, but our relationships will be on a totally different level. We will be related to all the 'residents' in heaven, but in God.



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BEYOND A WORLD OF 'ASSOCIATES'

101. Let us now return to the parable of the Good Samaritan, for it still has much to say to us. An injured man lay on the roadside. The people walking by him did not heed their interior summons to act as neighbours; they were concerned with their duties, their social status, their professional position within society. They considered themselves important for the society of the time, and were anxious to play their proper part. The man on the roadside, bruised and abandoned, was a distraction, an interruption from all that; in any event, he was hardly important. He was a "nobody", undistinguished, irrelevant to their plans for the future. The Good Samaritan transcended these narrow classifications. He himself did not fit into any of those categories; he was simply a foreigner without a place in society. Free of every label and position, he was able to interrupt his journey, change his plans, and unexpectedly come to the aid of an injured person who needed his help.



Our Father St Benedict*
HASTEN TO GOD



The humility and submissive obedience of so many well known Old Testament figures has not only done us good, but it also improved the generations that went before us, who received the Lord's oracles in fear and truth. But now that we have received a share in many great deeds of glory, we must hasten on to that goal of peace which was set before us at the beginning, with our eyes fixed on the Father, the Creator of the whole universe, and hold to the magnificent gifts of peace which he has lavished upon us.

With our mind we should contemplate him, and with the eyes of our soul we should gaze hard on his purpose which displays such great patience. And let us recognize how free from anger God is towards all his creatures.

The heavens, which move at his command, are subject to him in peace. Day and night follow the course that he himself allotted them without confusion. The sun, the moon and the choirs of stars all proceed in accordance to his command. With one mind they exactly follow the path marked out for them, and do not swerve from it. The teeming earth brings forth fruit in the proper season according to his will, yielding nourishment in full abundance for human beings and beasts and for all creatures, without dissenting from or changing any of his decrees. Those parts of the depths which no one has ever plumbed and the unexplored regions of the underworld are all under the control of the same supreme command.

Clement's First Letter to the Corinthians

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South Road
Hailsham



WEEKLY SERVICES

32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

(Collection Today for Retired Priests')

Sat	5th	10am	St Wilfrid's—	Church open for prayers and confessions
Sun	6th	9am	St George's —	Deceased Members of the Forte Family
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's —	Parish Communities' Intention
Mon	7th	2.30pm	St George's —	Rosary Group —All welcome
Tues	8th	10am	St George's—	Frank Restivo RIP
Wed	9th	10am	St Wilfrid's —	Deceased Members of Brown & Quinlan Family RIP
Thur	10th	10am	St George's —	Margaret Piegrome RIP
Fri	11th	10am	St Wilfrid's —	Family Intention

33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

(Collection Next Sunday for Arundel Cathedral Maintenance)

Sat	12th	10am	St Wilfrid's—	Church open for prayers and confessions
Sun	13th	9am	St George's —	Philip Mathew RIP
		10.30am	St Wilfrid's —	Parish Communities' Intention

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) 487212

St George's & St. Wilfrid's

Finance Committee Treasurers Monika Beaver

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ALL CORRESPONDENCE VIA THE PRIEST'S HOUSE PLEASE

Polegate Hall Hire (01323) 504753

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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.

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.

Fr Rory Writes: As this year draws quickly to a close, it is time for a quick and timely review. Two funeral celebrations; one for Margaret and one yet to come for Sue. In these circumstances they give us a good context to make this review as we celebrated the Feast of all the Saints and Holy Souls. Life has great difficulties or challenges. I have to acknowledge that in my life I have been very fortunate, well provided for, and tend to make mountains out of mole hills. But in my ministry I am very aware that this is not the case for many, and life can have great suffering and loss. My best response remains “these are the trials through we triumph, by the power of Him who loves us”. Margaret Piegrome’s funeral service was a very good expression of this. Remembrance of all her contributions to our lives, her willingness to use all her talents and to embrace every occasion to the best of her ability, enriching her and our lives, was her great achievement.

As we draw so close to the end of our year in faith, it is inevitable that we are going to die. We should look forward to the glory of God. For me, I settled for meeting my mum, Maura, that I was so privileged to have as my mum, with my dad who provided for eight children, sent some off to boarding school and lived with great pain and affliction, supported by his faith, and as mentioned his special devotions to the Stations of the Cross.

I am sure that they share the glory of heaven.

Fr Rory

November - Month of Holy Souls:- If you would like Holy Masses offered for deceased family, friends and all for whom you wish to pray. Please use the envelopes provided at the back of the church. Thank you.

Prayers: Please can we pray for a three year old child, Nellie Oakshott, who is terminally ill from a condition called MLD (metachromatic leukodystrophy).

Bernadette Relic Tour, Worth Abbey: at 1pm we entered into the church, so peaceful and quiet everywhere, one of the Monks said a decade of the Rosary every half hour we were also in time for the “Divine Office” chanted by the Monks. All in all it was a very moving experience.

Preparing for Advent Family Workshop: Saturday, Nov 19th, 3.30pm - 5.30pm, St Wilfrid's Hall. This is an opportunity for families to come together and have fun, be creative together and prepare for Advent. There will be variety of Christmas related activities, relevant to all ages, followed by a short time for worship and shared meal. Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult, Please register your interest at the back of church and collect a tear off slip for your small contribution to bring to the shared meal.

Parish Over 50's Club:

Our trip to Headcorn, Monday 7th November (tomorrow). We have a 16 seater coach from Lynns Travel, and have 3 remaining seats, so if you would like to join us, please contact Joan 07873 390944 now. The coach will leave North Street, Hailsham at 9am and return at 4.30pm. You will be given a leaflet (explaining times and venues), when you board the coach. Fr Rory will be coming with us. Please pray for good weather, it will make all the difference.

Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy & Parishioners – Tues 8th Nov (11am) in OLR: With clergy and parishioners from other parishes of the deanery. All are welcome.

Dates for your Diary:

Sun 6th Nov, 11.30am - St W's Parish Mtg - All Welcome.
 Sun 6th Nov, 4-6pm - Confirmation Class, St G's Hall.
 Sun 13th Nov, 3pm - Annual Bereavement Mass, St W's Church
 Sat 19th Nov, 3.30pm - Advent Workshop, St W's Hall.
 Sun 20th Nov, 4-6pm - Confirmation Class, St G's Hall.
 Thurs 24th Nov, 2pm - Over 50's Afternoon Tea, St W's Hall.
 Fri 25th Nov, Parish Bereavement Group St W's Hall.
 Sun 27th Nov, 10am, Charity Breakfast, St G's Hall.
 Mon 12th Dec, 7pm - Lights of Love Service, St G's Church.

Las Posadas - A Journey towards Christmas: Mary, Joseph and the donkey are desperately looking for overnight lodgings in the Hailsham and Polegate areas throughout Advent. Can you offer them a room for the night? For more details please take a leaflet from the church porch and fill in your details on the sign up sheet.

St George's Charity Breakfast last week was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the delicious hot breakfast baps of sausages and bacon and we were delighted to raise £72 for The Royal British Legion. If those who didn't have cash donation at the time want to give something extra please pass your offering to Sandra. The next breakfast will be 10am Sunday 27th November. The charity will be Polegate Children With Cancer. Everyone is welcome so invite, family and friends if you wish. They are welcome to join us from 10am if not attending mass.

Sunday 13th November 12noon, afternoon of Rosehip picking and a picnic (weather permitting) near Ringmer. For more information contact Sandra on 07791627368 or sandraforte40@gmail.com. The terrain is hilly and you will need gloves for the foraging bit as it can be spiky.

St Wilfrid's Hospice & St George's are having a Lights of Love Service at St George's Church on Monday 12th December at 7pm. There will be refreshments afterwards in the church hall. Do please come to this wonderfully moving service.

Urgent - We need two people to join the refreshment team at St George's to serve tea/coffee after mass one Sunday a month. It is an enjoyable volunteering role which is much needed to support the current team.

St George's Table Sale: Any new/nearly new items will be greatly appreciated for our sales table.

Sunday 30th Oct - Mass Attendance:

St Wilfrid's 86 St George's 85