

St John's, Pevensey Road



Pews News & Service Sheet
for Sunday 9th October 2022

17th Sunday after Trinity



Welcome to today's Mass at St John's

This week:

Morning Prayer, 9 a.m. Mon, Tues, Thurs, in Saint Peter's Chapel. Friday in Church.

Church open weekdays, where possible.

Midweek Mass: Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Online "Zoom" service: Wednesday at 10 a.m.
Please contact the church administrator on admstjohns30@gmail.com, to put you in touch with the organizer for a "link" to join in

Morning Coffee: Friday 10 - 12 noon in Church



Our prayers are asked for:

Geraldine, Amber, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Alison N, Denise H, Jean & Geoff, Anne C, Pat, Jon W, Ted G, Jude, Jamie F, Helena, and Andrew.

Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially David D, and Elaine,
...and all who mourn.

Today's flowers in church are to celebrate Tony and Veronica's 20th Wedding Anniversary



Church Together in
Hastings & St Leonards

LOAF Second Sunday Walk

This afternoon's fellowship walk for members of all churches and friends organised by LOAF will be a ramble around the Combe Haven Valley Nature Reserve. We meet at 2:30 p.m. Today, Sunday October 9th, at the Car Park in Crowhurst Recreation Ground. The length will be about 3 ½ miles of easy walking. Members of a small number of churches in Hastings usually take part but it would be lovely to meet others from around the town.

Roger Mitchell



... is offering four "Advent Quiet Days" in December, with different leaders and themes, £40 per day including home-cooked lunch.

Call the the office on
01424 892088

email info@penhurst.org.uk
or go to our website to book
or find more information

Do you have an item, prayer list update, or info for the Pews News? Please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by 9 p.m. on Thursdays

Introit: God be in my head (Walford Davies)

Opening Hymn

'Lift up your hearts!' We lift them, Lord,
to thee;
here at thy feet none other may we see:
'Lift up your hearts!' E'en so, with one
accord,
we lift them up, we lift them to the Lord.

Above the level of the former years,
the mire of sin, the slough of guilty fears,
the mist of doubt, the blight of love's
decay,
O Lord of Light, lift all our hearts today.

Above the swamps of subterfuge and
shame,
the deeds, the thoughts, that honour may
not name,
the halting tongue that dares not tell the
whole,
O Lord of Truth, lift every Christian soul.

Lift every gift that thou thyself hast given:
low lies the best till lifted up to heaven;
low lie the bounding heart, the teeming
brain,
till, sent from God, they mount to God
again.

Then, as the trumpet-call, in after years,
'Lift up your hearts!' rings pealing in our
ears,
still shall those hearts respond with full
accord,

'We lift them up, we lift them to the Lord!'

Henry Montague Butler (1833-1918)

Welcoming of the people

Priest In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Priest The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Dcn God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins
in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's
commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through
weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

The Priest says the Absolution

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung:

**All Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

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

**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 Collect

**The Priest introduces the Collect
with the words 'Let us pray'**

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ
our Lord.
All Amen.

A reading from the Second Book of Kings

2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.'

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have

done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, “Wash, and be clean”?’ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before him and said, ‘Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.’

For the Word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy

2 Timothy 2.8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David – that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker

who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

For the Word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us

O for a heart to praise my God,
a heart from sin set free;
a heart that always feels thy blood
so freely spilt for me:

A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
my dear Redeemer’s throne;
where only Christ is heard to speak,
where Jesus reigns alone:

A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
believing, true, and clean,
which neither life nor death can part
from him that dwells within:

A heart in every thought renewed,
and full of love divine;
perfect, and right, and pure, and good,
a copy, Lord, of thine.

My heart, thou know’st, can never rest
till thou create my peace;
till of mine Eden repossess,
from self, and sin, I cease.

Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
come quickly from above;
write thy new name upon my heart,
Thy new best name of love.

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.
I am the way, the truth, and the life,
says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father
except through me.

All Alleluia

The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to Luke

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 17. 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to the Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary, and was made
man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
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.**

**We 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
worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the
Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

And at the end

Merciful Father,
**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Peace is introduced

Priest God is love
and those who live in love live in God
and God lives in them.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always
with you
All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of peace

Offertory Hymn

*During which the table is prepared
and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

God is working his purpose out as year
succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and the time
is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time, the time
that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory
of God as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where'er
man's foot hath trod,
by the mouth of many messengers goes
forth the voice of God,
'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give
ear to me,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of
God as the waters cover the sea.'

What can we do to work God's work, to
prosper and increase
the brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of
the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time
that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory
of God as the waters cover the sea?

March we forth in the strength of God with
the banner of Christ unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world;
fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set
their captives free,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of
God as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God
blesses the deed;
vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God
gives life to the seed;
yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the
time that shall surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory
of God as the waters cover the sea.

A.C.Ainger (1841-1919)

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.
All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.
All Blessed be God for ever.

The Priest takes the bread and wine.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here
All His Spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,
your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death
on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins
of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and
glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our
redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Saint John
the Evangelist, Saint Peter, Mary the
Mother of God, and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence
as our Saviour has taught us:

**All Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Priest We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

We sit as Agnus Dei is sung:

**All Jesus, Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
Have mercy on us
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
Give us your peace**

Giving of Communion

The Priest says the invitation to communion.

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to
his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive
you, but only say the word,
and I shall be healed.**

Communion is received.

*Anthem: My eyes for beauty pine
(Herbert Howells)*

Communion Hymn

Jesu, the very thought of thee
with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far thy face to see,
and in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
nor can the memory find
a sweeter sound than thy blest name,
O Saviour of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind thou art!
How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this
nor tongue nor pen can show:
the love of Jesus, what it is
none but his loved ones know.

Jesu, our only joy be thou,
as thou our prize wilt be;
Jesu, be thou our glory now,
and through eternity.

Latin c 12th century, tr. Edward Caswall (1814-78)

Prayer after Communion

Priest Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all
good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off,
you met us in your Son
and brought us home.
Dying and living,
he declared your love,
gave us grace,
and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life;
we who drink his cup
bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you
have set before us,
so we and all your children
shall be free,
and the whole earth live
to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Notices

The Blessing

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you
always.

All Amen.

Final hymn

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:

O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my Friend.

John Bode (1816-74)

Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you

All And also with you

All May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.

Priest May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace...

All and rise in glory. Amen.

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Concluding voluntary: Postlude on a theme by Orlando Gibbons (C.V. Stanford)



Please stay for coffee after today's Parish Mass.

An idea for saving energy:
if you have a microwave
oven use it for ALL cooking
but especially for boiling
just the amount of water you need.



Microwave energy is the cheapest form of energy use and if you can afford one (they are very low cost) they are a worthwhile investment.

Eve G

Here on Saturday 22nd October...

Thames
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Choir

at St John's Church,
Pevensey Rd,
St Leonards-on-Sea

*Saturday 22nd
October, 7 p.m.*

Gloria in excelsis Deo

*...with music by Allegri, Tallis, Palestrina,
Harris, Vaughan Williams and Campling*

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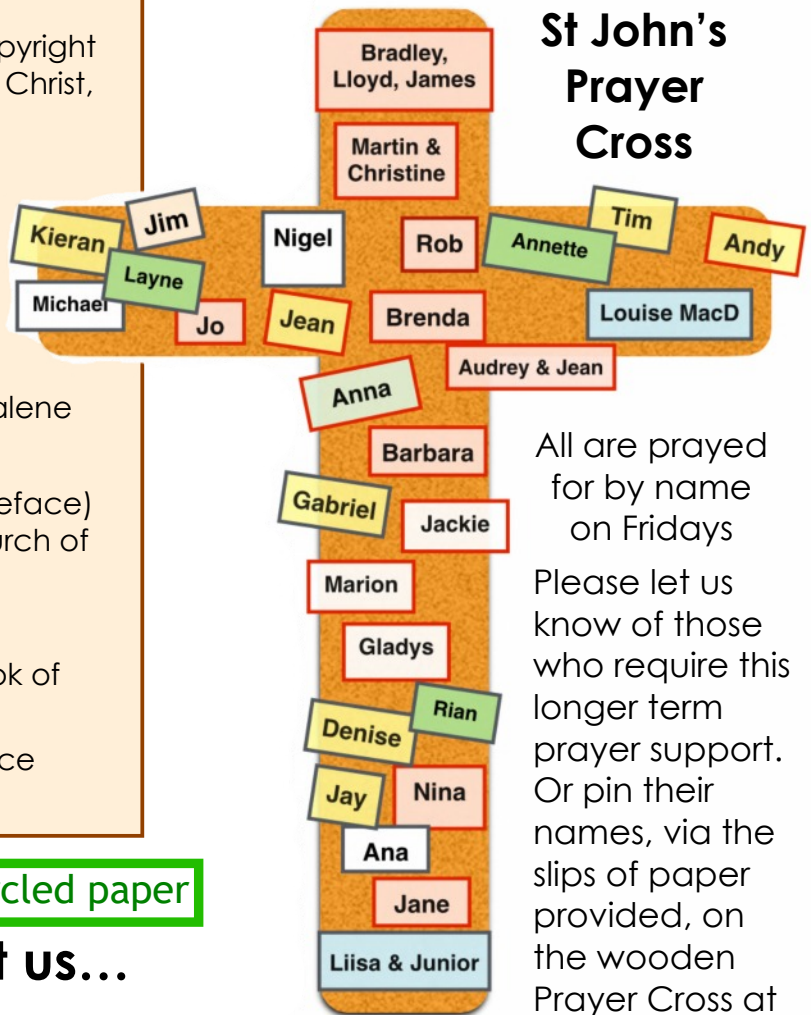
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St John's Prayer Cross

All are prayed
for by name
on Fridays

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know of those
who require this
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provided, on
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