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**St John's,
Pevensy Road.**

**Pews News and
Service Sheet for
17th November 2024**

This week:

Wednesday 10am Mass

in St Peter's Chapel

Wednesday 10am

Online Zoom service*

Morning Coffee: Fridays

10 – 12 noon in Church

Welcome to Mass

this morning on

the Second Sunday

before Advent



Our prayers are asked for:

Rachel T, Helena O, David S, Rose T, Ken, Gill,
Pat, Bobby, Molly, Shirley K, Janet.

Please pray also for

the repose of the souls of the recently departed,
especially Sally and Annette ...and those whose
Years Minds fall around this time and all who
mourn.

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Lucy is our Administrator.

Please contact her also for
Church Hall bookings.

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**St John's
Prayer
Cross**

Ramona
Ollie
John H
Natalia
Miri
Kourash

Lori-Leigh M
Helen C;

Arthur
H.
Benji &
Dada

William & Benjie
Maite and Chaz
Amera & Amy;

Gl
De....

Bostik;
Don
Diane
Goldie
Lorenzo
Arta X

Nigel
Terry S

Della
Tia K
Gabriel
Dulcie
Julian
Anna
Jack M
Nichola
Xander
Audrey,
Jeannie
& family
Lisa
Thomas

All are
regularly
prayed
for by
name

Please let us know of those who require this longer-term prayer support. Or pin their names, via the slips of paper provided, on the wooden Prayers Cross at the back of the Church. Thank you.

Everyone in the Middle East under duress



Prayer at the altar said by the choir:

.... grant that what we sing with our lips may we believe in our hearts and what we believe in our hearts may we show forth in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introit: O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace - Tye

Opening Hymn

**All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew.
Me through change
and chance he guideth,
only good and only true.
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.**

**Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown
betray his trust;
what with care and toil
he buildeth,
tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.**

**God's great goodness
aye endureth,
deep his wisdom,
passing thought:
splendour, light
and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
from his store
new-born worlds rise and adore.**

**Daily doth th'Almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand**

**at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.**

**Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Christ doth call
one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.**

*Robert Bridges (1844-1930); based on
the German of J Neander (1650-80)*

The 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

**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.**

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon Let us confess to God the
sins and shortcomings of the
world; its pride, its selfishness, its
greed; its evil divisions and
hatreds. Let us confess our share
in what is wrong, and our failure to
seek and establish that peace
which God wills for his children.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Priest 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 Collect

Priest Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word all sit

A reading from the book of Daniel

Daniel 12. 1-3

"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that

time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book.

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 10. 11-14 [15-18] 19-25

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins.

But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**In Christ there is
no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout
the whole wide earth.**

**Join hands, then,
people of the faith,
whate'er your race may be;
who serves my Father
as his child
is surely kin to me.**

In Christ now meet both east

**and west,
in him meet south and north;
all Christlike souls
are one in him,
throughout
the whole wide earth.**

John Oxenham (1852-1941)

Gospel Reading

*When the Gospel is announced
the Deacon says*

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

All Alleluia.

Deacon The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 13. 1-8

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?"

Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars,

do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed:

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.

The Sermon

Prayers of Intercession

The Peace

Priest To crown all things there
must be love, to bind all together
and complete the whole. Let the
peace of Christ rule in our hearts.
The peace of the Lord be always
with you **All and also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a
sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory hymn *during which the
altar is prepared, and bread and wine
are placed upon it.*

**Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me,**

save that thou art;
be thou my best thought
in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping,
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom,
be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me,
and I with thee, Lord;
thou my great Father,
and I thy true heir;
thou in me dwelling,
and I in thy care.

Be thou my breastplate,
my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armour,
be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter,
be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward,
great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not,
nor all the world's praise:
be thou mine inheritance
now and always;
be thou and thou only
the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven,
my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven,
thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys
after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
still be thou my vision,
O Ruler of all.

*Irish c8th century tr. Mary Byrne
(1880-1931)*

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

As the grain once scattered in the fields, and grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom. *All Amen.*

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

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.

And now we give you thanks that he is the King of glory, who overcomes the sting of death and opens the kingdom of heaven to all believers. He is seated at your right hand in glory and we believe that he will come to be our judge.

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, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
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. 🕯

Dcn: Jesus Christ is Lord

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

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 St John the Evangelist, St 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

Deacon 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

The priest breaks the consecrated bread.

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 by all.*

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the
world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people

All Jesus Christ is holy
Jesus Christ is Lord
to the glory of God the Father.

*Communion is received. Please bow your
head if you prefer to receive a blessing.*

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

**Anthem: Hanaq pachap
kusikuynin – anon. arr. Nancho
Alvarez**

(English translation of anthem:
*Heaven's joy! a thousand times
shall we praise you
O tree bearing thrice-blessed fruit
O hope of humankind
helper of the weak
Hear our prayer!*)

Hymn

Sweet Sacrament divine,
hid in thine earthly home;
lo! round thy lowly shrine,
with suppliant hearts we come;
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
in songs of love and heartfelt
praise:
sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,
dear home for every heart,
where restless yearnings cease,
and sorrows all depart.
there in thine ear, all trustfully,
we tell our tale of misery:
sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,
ark from the ocean's roar,
within thy shelter blest
soon may we reach the shore;
save us, for still the tempest
raves,
save, lest we sink beneath the
waves:
sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
earth's light and jubilee,
in thy far depths doth shine
the Godhead's majesty;
sweet light, so shine on us, we
pray
that earthly joys may fade away:
sweet Sacrament divine.

Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

Prayer after Communion

Priest Gracious Lord, in this holy
sacrament you give substance to
our hope: bring us at the last to
that fullness of life for which we
long; through Jesus Christ our
Saviour. **All Amen.**

Notices

The Blessing

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

Priest May God himself, the God of peace, make you perfect and holy, and keep you safe and blameless, in spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; 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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is
thy health and salvation!

Come ye who hear,
Brothers and sisters draw near;
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all
things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen
All that is needful hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work
and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew -
all the Almighty can do,
He who with love
doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath,

come now with praises
before him.

Let the Amen
sound from his people again,
gladly for ay we adore him.

*German, Joachim Neander (1650-80); Tr
Catherine Winkworth (1827-78) et al*

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

All May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, and 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.

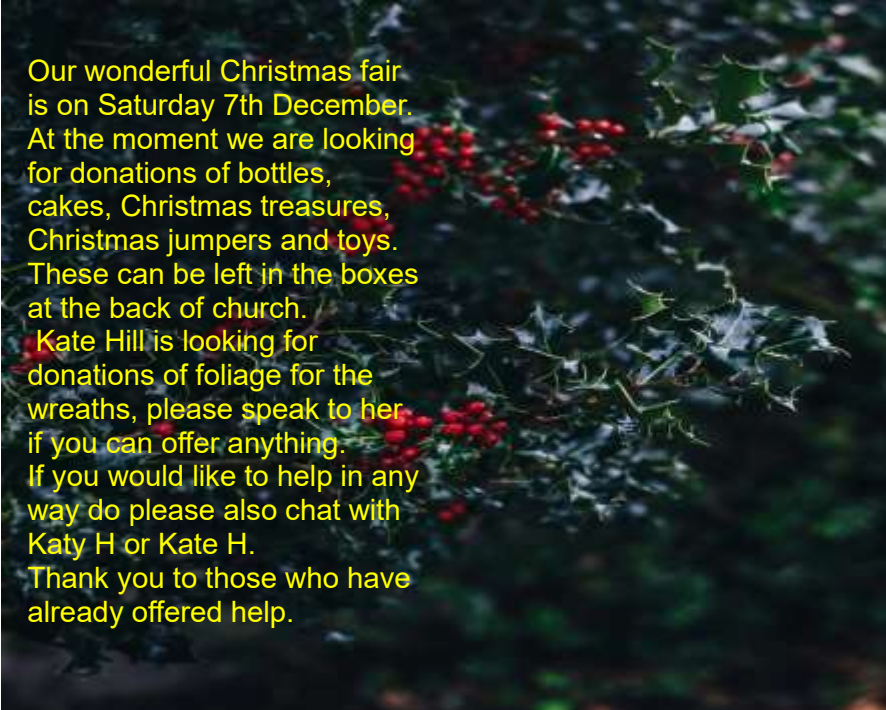
Dcn We go into the world to walk
in God's light, to rejoice in God's
love and to reflect God's glory. Go
in peace to love and serve the
Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

*Organ voluntary: Fugue in D
minor – Lefebure-Wely*

Do stay for a while!





Our wonderful Christmas fair is on Saturday 7th December. At the moment we are looking for donations of bottles, cakes, Christmas treasures, Christmas jumpers and toys. These can be left in the boxes at the back of church.

Kate Hill is looking for donations of foliage for the wreaths, please speak to her if you can offer anything. If you would like to help in any way do please also chat with Katy H or Kate H. Thank you to those who have already offered help.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Advent Carol Service - Sunday 1st December at 6.00pm

Lights of love service - Sunday 8th December at 3.00pm

Carol Singing in Care Homes – 18th and 19th December

Christmas Carol Service - Sunday 22nd December at 6.00pm

Midnight Mass - Tuesday 24th December at 11.00p.m.

Mass on Christmas morning
Wednesday 25 December at 10.30am

***Please request a link to the Wednesday Zoom service by emailing: pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com**
Also to this email address please send any updates for prayer lists or pews news by 4pm on Tuesdays. (The print run, folding and stapling is done on Wednesdays.)
Thank you.

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VFA Fund-raising Carols DECEMBER 15TH at 3pm

VENUE: Junction Cavendish
Avenue/ Knoll Rise.

With mulled wine, home-made mince pies and the hilarious DANCING SANTAS who could miss this opportunity not only to have great fun, sing gorgeous carols, but also support a local charity with a collection point for Hastings Food Bank . Lesley Ann and Alistair will lead the proceedings with help from local musicians on the flute and ukelele and support from the surrounding community!!

We've just sent our NINTH food Aid and the situation is very bad with cattle now unable to find fodder and villagers unable to feed them. Your support would be GREATLY APPRECIATED.

According to the Scriptures: How the Bible became Doctrine. Thu 21 Nov 2024, Free. OPEN TO ALL. Zoom. 10.00-12.00. Led by The Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins.

As part of the Diocese of Chichester's 'Year of the New Testament'. In this last seminar on the New Testament before we begin the Year of Faith, we will consider how Christian teaching emerged out of Holy Scripture. We will examine especially how the doctrines of Christ and his work, the Holy Trinity, grace, and the sacraments are rooted in the biblical texts as they were taken up by the Church in prayer, worship and witness. To find out more and book:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/853638243967>



URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS

UHT MILK FULL FAT (BLUE) AND SEMI (GREEN) BABIES' NAPPIES AND SANITARY PRODUCTS TINNED VEGETABLES (ESPECIALLY PEAS AND CARROTS)

TINNED FRUIT; COFFEE

OTHER NEEDED ITEMS ; TOILETRIES (SHOWER GEL, SHAMPOO, DEODORANT, TOOTHPASTE)

TOILET ROLLS, TINNED FISH, TINNED POTATOES, TINNED RICE PUDDING, JAM, FRUIT JUICE-

If you are able to donate, please leave items in the container at the back of church and they will be collected by the Food Bank rep.