



St John's Pevensey Road Pews News and service sheet for 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

<u>During the week</u> NO <u>Midweek Mass</u> Wednesdays at 10am Online <u>Zoom service</u>\*; Fridays 10am – 12 noon <u>Morning Coffee</u> in Church



NEXT SUNDAY –18<sup>th</sup> August NO 8am <u>Said</u> <u>Mass</u> 10.30am <u>Sung</u> <u>Parish Mass</u>



Welcome to Mass this morning. The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

**One**Body**One**Faith

A Prayer for Peace in a Time of Disorder

God of love, our hearts are broken as we see hatred and violence in our land. We pray for peace and justice on our streets and in our communities, for those injured or frightened, for peacemakers, for the emergency services.

Lord of life, inspire us with a vision of your kingdom so that together we may overcome division and see your justice and mercy triumph in all the earth.

May we shine as lights in the world bringing your peace and love to our beautiful and diverse towns, cities and regions.

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **Our prayers are asked for:** David S, Pat, Bobby, Molly, Shirley K, Holly, Rachel T, Ken, Patrick N and Janet.

**Please pray also for** the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Vivian N and Sally ...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, and all who mourn.

## St John's Prayer Cross

All are regularly prayed for by name

Ramona John H Bostik Diane Goldie Lorenzo Arta X

William & Benjie Dulcie; Zack; Natalia Miri; Julian; Kourash

RIP: Ozar K Geoff R; Albert A

> Lisa: Don Benji & Dada Anna Helen C Arthur H Michelle Jeannie & Audrey & family Terry S Xander Nigel D Thomas Tia K Nichola Olli Della Everyone in the Holy Land under duress



For peace, compassion and justice for all.

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Please contact her also for Church Hall bookings.

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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.

#### 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 rest in the Lord - Mendelssohn

#### Hymn

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, Come ye before him, and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the Angel-host Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

William Kethe (d. 1594)

#### 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.** 

#### **Prayers of Penitence**

*Deacon* 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 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.

#### **Prayer of Absolution**

*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 Gloria in Excelsis is sung

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, Heav'nly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

## Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

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

## Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

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; Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

### **The Collect**

*Priest* O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakes of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *All* **Amen.** 

## The Liturgy of the Word all sit

## A reading from the first book of Kings

#### 1 Kings 19.4-8

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.

The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

For the Word of the Lord. *All* Thanks be to God.

#### A reading from the letter to the Ephesians Ephesians 4. 25-5.2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy.

Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear.

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

For the Word of the Lord. *All* Thanks be to God.

## **Hymn** during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night; Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn Unaccompanied by thee; Joyless is the day's return, Till thy mercy's beams I see; Till they inward light impart, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief; Fill me, radiancy divine, Scatter all my unbelief; More and more thyself display, Shining to the perfect day. Charles Wesley (1707 -88))

## **Gospel Reading** When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says

Alleluia, alleluia. We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

The Lord be with you

*All* **and also with you;** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All Glory to you, O Lord. John 6.35, 41-51

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

<sup>41</sup> Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life.

I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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.

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**

#### **The Peace**

*Priest* Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his

name and share his peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you. *All* and also with you.

*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.

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

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above, where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity, interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desires thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm. John Whittier (1807-92)

#### Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise. All Blessed be God for ever.

#### The Eucharistic Prayer (E)

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

## *All* It is right to give thanks and praise

Father, you made the world and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.

His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels 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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in

remembrance of me. 🤲

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Dcn: Great is the mystery of faith

## All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,

help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St John the Evangelist, St Peter, Mary the Mother of God and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever. *All* **Amen.** 

## The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray: 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. Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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:** He that shall endure to the end - Mendelssohn

## Hymn

From heaven you came, helpless babe entered our world, your glory veiled, not to be served but to serve and give your life that we might live

This is our God, the Servant King, He calls us now to follow Him to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears my heavy load he chose to bear; his heart with sorrow was torn "Yet not my will but yours", he said

### Refrain

Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of sacrifice, hands that flung stars into space to cruel nails surrendered

Refrain

So let us learn how to serve and in our lives enthrone Him, each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.

#### Refrain

Graham Kendrick (b.1950)

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Priest* Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; 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 vour 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 *Priest* The Lord be with you. *All* And also with you

*Priest* The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; 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**

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,

Pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty, Hold me with thy powerful hand: Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;

Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through: Strong Deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's Destruction Land me safe on Canaan's side: Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

Welsh, William Williams (1717-91) Tr Peter Williams (1727-96) 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 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.

**Organ voluntary:** Allegro maestoso and Fugue from Sonata No.2 -Mendelssohn



Hope Kitchen Volunteers needed! Could you give up a Thursday evening once a month to help us prepare nourishing food and drink for homeless and disadvantaged people? We are a multi-church local charity operating out of Wellington Square Church. We urgently need more volunteers behind the scenes. The commitment is from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. one Thursday a month. St John's is well represented on the team so there would be friendly faces to work alongside. Please contact Ed Towner admin@hopekitchenhastings. org.uk

# christian ald

Christian Aid asks us also to pray for Bangladesh: with escalating protests and the Prime Minister's resignation and flight from the country, the situation remains uncertain. Please lift up our colleagues in Dhaka and our partner organisations, asking for their protection and strength. May God's peace and wisdom guide all involved. Prayer written by Ramini Leathard, Head of Region – Asia: God of all, grant us grace and courage in this time of strife and oppression. Help us understand the pain of the people of Bangladesh as they seek peace and justice. Be their light in darkness, strength in fear, and hope in despair. May we remember that together, through solidarity, prayer and action, we can overcome any challenge. May all your children, regardless of identity, find dignity and fullness of life.

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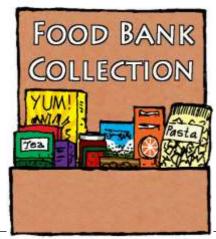
HARVEST MOON FAYRE SEPT 7TH 2-5pm AND ANNUAL ESSENDEN ROAD SCARECROW FESTIVAL BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND - So many fun things to do! We have left a couple of sheets at the back of the church for volunteers to sign up who would like to help out our villagers by coming along on Saturday September 7th and supporting us in various roles at the HARVEST MOON FAYRE. Even if you can only manage the afternoon itself, (2-5pm) that'd be wonderful, or bring along a cake/savoury for our stall on any of the days, that'd be lovely. We shall also pick up from church on Friday morning, 23rd August. There are containers for you to leave any unwanted items for the Tombola, Raffle and Bran Tub, at the back of the church, THANK YOU,

## SCARECROW BANK HOLIDAY

weekend - Leaflets inviting people to participate in making scarecrows (or in our case, animals...) have been distributed to the following roads: Essenden Rd; Welbeck Ave, Cavendish Avenue, Knoll Rise; Tudor Avenue; Boscobel Road. We shall be providing refreshments between 3-5pm on Friday - Monday 23rd/24th/25th/26th August at 14 KNOLL RISE. Anyone who would like to bring along a cake/savoury to help out with the mammoth bake-in would be very welcome!! Update:- This month sees our 6th Food Aid delivery to BH29 in NW Zimbabwe!

https://villageforceafrica.org

Looking forward to the Deanery Confirmation Service on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at Blacklands Church: 'Confirmation is a special church service in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. If you were baptized at a christening when you were a child, your parents and godparents made these promises on your behalf. As a young person or adult, you may be ready to affirm these promises for yourself and commit your life to following Jesus Christ. At a confirmation service, you make these promises for yourself. Your friends and family as well as the local Christian community will be there to promise to support and pray for you. The local bishop will lay their hands on your head and ask God's Holy Spirit to give you the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of your life.'



#### 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.

Please note: St John's Church building will not be open during the day while the Rector is on leave.

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