



**St John's
Pevensey Road
Pews News and service
sheet for 1st September
2024**

*Welcome to
Mass this
morning.
The Fourteenth
Sunday after
Trinity*

*Flowers in church
today:
'For my beloved
brother, John.'*



**NEXT SUNDAY – 8th
September
NO 8am Said Mass
10.30am Sung Parish Mass**



Our prayers are asked for: David S, Pat, Bobby, Molly, Shirley K, Holly, Ken, Peggy, Rachel T ,Patrick N, Rose T 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

Lori-Leigh M
Maite &
Chaz
Janie H-D

Lisa; Don
Benji &
Dada
Anna
Helen C
Arthur H

Jeannie
& Audrey
& family
Terry S
Xander
Nigel D
Thomas
Tia K
Nichola
Olli
Della
Everyone
in the
Holy
Land
under
duress

All involved
in the
Paralympic
Games



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.

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Lucy is our Administrator.

Please contact her also for Church Hall bookings.

Safeguarding Officer can be contacted on
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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 taste and see – Vaughan Williams*

Hymn

**When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair;
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

**The sacred minster bell
it peals o'er hill and dell,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
O hark to what it sings,
as joyously it rings,
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

**My tongue shall never tire
of chanting in the choir,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
the fairest graces spring
in hearts that ever sing
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

**The night becomes as day,
when from the heart we say,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
the powers of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant
they hear,
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

**In heaven's eternal bliss
the loveliest strain is this,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
let air, and sea, and sky
from depth to height reply,
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

**Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
be this the eternal song
through all the ages on,
may Jesus Christ be praised.**

German, 19th century, Tr Edward Caswall (1814-79)

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 Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All Amen.*

The Liturgy of the Word *all sit*

**A reading from the book of
Deuteronomy**

Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you...

⁶ You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them

known to your children and your children's children—

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A reading from the letter of James

James 1.17 - end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act-- they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the

Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings,
give my spirit voice;
tender to me
the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour
shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of his name:
make known his might,
the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure,
from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord,
the Mighty One.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of his might:
powers and dominions
lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills
are put to flight,
the hungry fed,
the humble lifted high.**

**Tell out, my soul,
the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise,
and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul,
the greatness of the Lord
to children's children
and for evermore!**

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926 - 2024)

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

Alleluia, alleluia. Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

All Alleluia

The Lord be with you

All and also with you;

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them.

(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.)

So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.".....¹⁴ Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing

outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.".....

²¹ For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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.

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.*

O worship the King
all glorious above;
O gratefully sing
his power and his love;
our shield and defender,
the ancient of days,
pavilioned in splendour
and girded with praise.

O tell of his might,
O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light,
whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath
the deep thunder clouds form,
and dark is his path
on the wings of the storm.

The earth, with its store
of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power
hath founded of old:
hath 'stablished it fast
by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast,
like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care
what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air,
it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills,
it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distils
in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust
and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust,
nor find thee to fail;
thy mercies how tender,
how firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer, and Friend.

O measureless Might,

**ineffable Love,
while angels delight
to hymn thee above,
thy humbler creation,
though feeble their lays,
with true adoration
shall sing to thy praise.**

Robert Grant (1779-1838)

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

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: Come down, O love
divine - Harris**

Hymn

**Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear
and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God
to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.**

**King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture
in the body and the blood -
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.**

**Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard
on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth**

from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell
may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet
the six-winged seraph,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice
they cry,
Alleluya, alleluya,
alleluya! Lord most high.

Liturgy of St James

tr Gerald Moultrie (1829-85)

Prayer after Communion

Priest Father of light, in whom is
no change or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect
gift and have brought us to birth by
your word of truth: may we be a
living sign of that kingdom where
your whole creation will be made
perfect in 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

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

Priest May the Father from whom
every family in earth and heaven
receives its name strengthen you
with his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your
hearts by 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

**Angel-voices ever singing
round thy throne of light,
angel-harps for ever ringing,
rest not day nor night;
thousands only live to bless
thee and confess thee
Lord of might.**

Thou who art
beyond the farthest
mortal eye can scan,
can it be that thou regardest
songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art
near us, and wilt hear us?
Yes, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest
o'er each work of thine;
thou didst ears and hands and
voices for thy praise design;
craftsman's art and music's

measure for thy pleasure
all combine.

In thy house, great God,
we offer of thine own to thee;
and for thine acceptance proffer
all unworthy
hearts and minds and hands
and voices in our choicest
psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit
thine shall ever be,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
blessed Trinity!
Of the best that thou hast given
earth and heaven
render thee.

Francis Pott (1832-1909)

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: *March for a
Pageant – Eric
Thiman*



*Do stay
a while*



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Hastings & St Leonards



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**HARVEST MOON FAYRE
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER
7TH Rectory
Gardens/Church Hall 2.00-
5.00pm Free entry.**

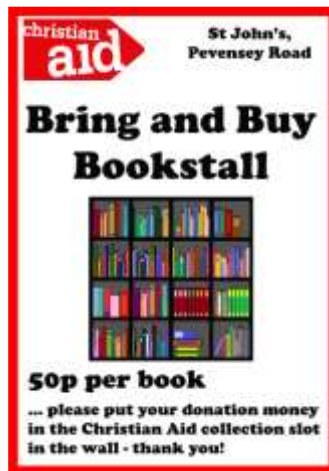
FEATURING:

**The Wacky band , Raffle, Name
the Bunny, Tombola, Garden
games, Home-made jams etc,
home- made cakes and scones,
a book stall, children's bran tub,
Father David's pub :- (The
Golden Cross,') teas and coffee
and much fun besides.**

**Anyone who could donate items
for the raffle /tombola or -home
made produce or help on a stall
will be very, very welcome.
Thank you.**

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church or contact Lesley Ann
on
email: [villageforceafrica@gmail
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**Our scarecrow weekend raised
over £300 and our vulnerable
villagers and children can eat
next month. Thank you
everyone who helped out or
contributed, the villagers were
overwhelmed by your
generosity.**



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Pevensey Road

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REV'D MICHAEL TURNBALL INTERVIEWS
TWO LOCAL PEOPLE OF FAITH – YUNIS SMITH
AND BISHOP LAURIE GREEN

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