



St John's
Pevensey Road
Pews News and service
sheet for 22nd September
2024

During the week
10am Wednesday
Midweek Mass in
St Peter's Chapel
Wednesdays at 10am
Online Zoom service*;
Fridays 10am – 12 noon
Morning Coffee in
Church .
Friday 2pm Memorial
Service for Vivian N.

NEXT SUNDAY – 29th
September – Feast of St
Michael and All Angels
NO 8am Said Mass
10.30am Sung Parish Mass

*If you would like a link for the Wednesday Zoom worship, or if you have any items for the Pews News, or updates for the prayer list or prayer cross, please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by 4pm on **Tuesdays**. (The print run, folding and stapling is done on Wednesdays) Thank you.

Welcome to
Mass this
morning.
The Seventeenth
Sunday after
Trinity

Deanery Confirmation
Tomorrow 7pm at Blacklands
Church – All welcome.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given these your servants new birth in baptism by water and the Spirit, and have forgiven them all their sins. Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them: the Spirit of wisdom and understanding; the Spirit of counsel and inward strength; the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord. **Amen.**

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

Please pray also for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Janie H-D, Peggy 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
Glenys J

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 being baptised and/or confirmed tomorrow



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
safestjohns30@gmail.com

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: *Teach me O Lord - Attwood*

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 footmarks,
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)

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 The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

**All Father eternal,
giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance,
through weakness,
through our own deliberate
fault.**

**We have wounded your love,
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed
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 lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
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 Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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 prophet
Jeremiah**

Jeremiah 11. 18 -20

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

**A reading from the letter of
James**

James 3. 13 – 4.3, 7-8

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.

But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish.

For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable,

gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.

And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

4. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures....

⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**Lord, teach us
how to pray aright
With reverence and with fear;
Though dust and ashes
in thy sight,
We may, we must draw near.**

**We perish
if we cease from prayer;
O grant us power to pray;
And when to meet thee
we prepare,**

Lord, meet us by the way.

**God of all grace,
we bring to thee
With broken, contrite hearts;
Give, what thine eye
delights to see,
Truth in the inward parts;**

**Faith in the only sacrifice
That can for sin atone;
To cast our hopes,
to fix our eyes,
On Christ, on Christ alone;**

**Patience to watch,
and wait, and weep,
Though mercy long delay;
Courage our fainting souls
to keep,
And trust thee
though thou slay.**

**Give these,
and then thy will be done;
Thus, strengthened
with all might,
We, through thy Spirit
and thy Son,
Shall pray, and pray aright.**

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

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 9. 30 -37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."

But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."

Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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.*

Jesu, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high:
hide me, O my Saviour, hide
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah, leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenceless head
with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want,
more than all in thee I find:
raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness;
false and full of sin I am,
thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace
with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound,
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
freely let me take of thee,
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity.

Charles Wesley (1707 -88)

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 (B)

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, 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, 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, St Matthew, 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 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: God is a spirit –
Sterndale Bennett

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 E 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

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

Priest The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts: 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 praise ye the Lord!
Praise him in the height;
Rejoice in his word,
Ye angels of light;
Ye heavens adore him
By whom you were made,
And worship before him,
In brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord!
Praise him on the earth,
In tuneful accord,
Ye sons of new birth;
Praise him who has brought you
His grace from above,
Praise him who has taught you
To sing of his love.

O praise ye the Lord!
All things that give sound;

Each jubilant chord,
Re-echo around;
Loud organs, his glory
Forth tell in deep tone,
And sweet harp, the story
Of what he has done.

O praise ye the Lord!
Thanksgiving and song
To him be out-poured
All ages along:
For love in creation,
For heaven restored,
For grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!

H. W. Baker (1821-77)

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 in D - Guilmant*

Do stay a while



The funeral service for Janie H-D (daughter of the late Canon Murray McDonald) will be in Hastings Crematorium **tomorrow**, Monday 23rd September at 2.15pm. Do wear bright clothes – at Janie's request.


Defibrillator training opportunity Saturday morning 12th October 11am - noon in the church hall.



The memorial service for Vivian N will be here in St John's at 2pm on Friday 27th September

You may have noticed this box outside the church hall in Brittany Road. This is an automatic defibrillator which was installed largely due to the generosity of the Hastings Lions. It is available for anyone in the community to use and can restart a person's heart if they have had a cardiac arrest. We have a trainer coming to show us how to use this simple piece of equipment as well as teaching basic CPR. The session is free although donations to the British Heart Foundation are welcomed. Places are limited and need to be booked through the church parish office (07831904321 or admstjohns30@gmail.com)

Thames Chamber Choir
led by Andrew Campling



Sacred and Profane

25 Years of the Thames Chamber Choir
Music by Hildegard von Bingen, Palestrina, Harris, Stanford, Vaughan Williams, Britten, Campling, Whitacre and Part

Saturday 19th October, 7 p.m.
St John's Church, Pevensey Road,
St Leonards-on-Sea, TN38 0LF

Tickets £15 / £12 concession / £9 student
available online at thameschamberchoir.com, or on the door

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Mike Cooper



Let your creativity become part of your prayer and draw closer to God on our Prayer through Painting week at Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre. Join us in our spacious and fully equipped Art Room for a creative week of art inspired by the Holy Spirit and under the prayerful guidance of artist, the Revd Jill Hartman. 30th September - 4th October: £540 en-suite room/£500 non ensuite room. Book by calling 01424 830204 or <https://www.crowhursthealing.org.uk/retreat.php?retreat=841>

Authorised Lay Ministers (ALM) Course and Living Faith (online course) 2025

ALM training begins again in January. Applications are now open and the course prospectus and application paperwork can be found on the Diocesan website. Closing date is 9th December.

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/living-faith>

We are having a shared lunch for Harvest on Sunday 6th October following the morning service. This is a lovely social occasion for the church, do please plan to stay and join in. Please bring your own plate and cutlery. There is a sheet to sign up to bring items for the lunch at the back. Do please chat with Katy or Kate if you need any further information.

Monday 29 th October		
Healthway Fire Station	High Street, Heathfield, TN21 1JUP	11.00am - 11.00pm
Mayfield Fire Station	Tunbridge Wells Road, Mayfield, TN20 6PZ	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday 30 th October		
Lockfield Fire Station	Red Farm Road, Lockfield, TN20 3BM	11.00am - 11.00pm
Crowborough Fire Station	Recess Road, Crowborough, TN6 2AF	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday 31 st October		
Seaford Fire Station	Charles Hill Road, Seaford, BN25 3VA	10.00am - 11.00pm
Levins Cove Station	North Street, Lewes, BN1 3PH	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Thursday 1 st November		
Caldean Hill, Hastings	St. Andrew's Square 6, Hastings TN38 5DP	10.00am - 11.00pm
Marine Fire Station	Lockwood Road, Rye, TN33 6AA	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Friday 2 nd November		
Seaford Fire Station	Seaford Road, Seaford, BN25 3VA	10.00am - 11.00pm
Caldean Hill Fire Station	Caldean Hill, Hastings, TN38 5DP	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Saturday 3 rd November		
Eastington Fire Station	Wickham Road, Eastington, BN11 2 9PL	11.00am - 11.00pm
St George's Church Hall, Pevensey	111 Eastbourne Road, Pevensey, BN26 5BT	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Sunday 4 th November		
Seaford Fire Station	Seaford Road, Seaford, BN25 3VA	10.00am - 11.00pm
Levins Cove Fire Station	Levins Cove Road, Lewes, BN1 3PH	3.00pm - 4.00pm

Bring your electric blanket along for a free safety check at any of the above events. If you are unable to attend please ask a friend or neighbour to bring your blanket for you. East Sussex Fire & Rescue Service is happy to accept donations for your testing.

East Sussex Fire & Rescue Service
www.esfrs.org