



St John's Pevensey Road

Pews News and Service Sheet for 5th November – **ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

This week:

**10am Wednesday: Mass in St
Peter's Chapel**

Online Zoom service*:

Wednesdays at 10am

Morning Coffee: Fridays

10 – 12 noon in Church



Flowers in Church today
donated by
Lesley Ann and Alistair
in loving memory of
Olwen Mavis Storr



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The Story Group meets next week
on Sunday November 12th, at
Pen W's place in Silverhill,
7.30pm-9.00pm. In this home
group, a different story provides
the basis for exploration of
spiritual path and practice at each
meeting. Please ask Pen or Tony
for further info or if you need help
with transport.

Our prayers are asked for:

Ollie, Rachel T, Vivian, Julia, Teresa, Holly H, Samantha B, Goldie, Lorenzo, Gladys, Anna, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Clare, Janet F, Tim, Basia S, Kathryn, Francisco M, Wendy, Lesley, Jack P, Sheila, Peter, and Marie N.

Please pray also for

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, including John and Margaret, ...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time including Ruby Crighton and Frank Fentiman, and all who mourn.

St John's Prayer Cross

James &
Damien
Jackie N
Deborah

Peter & Jean

Jean &
Geoff

Benedict,
Savannah &
baby StJohn

Tom
Nicola
Krystyna

Evangeline, Hope
and Patricia

Rachel and Mene
Maite and Chaz
Jamie F. Ann P
Barbara Dianne
Bostik

Ramona
Beverly
Helena
Sue T
Don F
John H

Audrey
& Jeannie
John &
Robert S
Gill T
Rob
Andy

Nigel
Peggy S

Maddy
Tina

Dulcie
Aspen
Gabriel
Anna

Jack M
Patrick
Xander

Kiran
Nanny
Christine
Brenda

KIP
Harvey
Avril
June
Nanny P
Mum
Barbara

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.

All are regularly prayed for by name



*Introit: O come, ye servants of the Lord
- Tye*

Opening Hymn

For all the saints who from their
labours rest,
who thee by faith before the
world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever
blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their
Fortress, and their Might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the
well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their
one true Light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true,
and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly
fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's
crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship
divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory
shine:
yet all are one in thee, for all are
thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the
warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant
triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again, and
arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in
the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors

cometh rest:
sweet is the calm of Paradise
the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more
glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in
bright array:
the King of glory passes on his
way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from
ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams
in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy
Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

W. Walsham How (1823-97)

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.

Priest Rejoice, people of God,
praise the Lord! Let us keep the
feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice
and glorify the Son of God.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon Since we are surrounded
by a great cloud of witnesses,
let us also lay aside every weight
and the sin that clings so closely,
looking to Jesus in penitence and
faith.

Lord, you are gracious and
compassionate: Lord, have mercy.
All Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

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, heavenly 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 on 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 Let us pray that we may be strengthened by our communion with all the saints:

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word *all sit*

A reading from the book Revelation

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me,

"These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the first letter of St John

1 John 3. 1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

Let saints on earth in concert sing

**with those whose work is done;
for all the servants of our King
in earth and heaven are one.**

**One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the
stream,
the narrow stream of death.**

**One army of the living God,
to his command we bow:
part of his host has crossed the
flood,
and part is crossing now.**

**E'en now to their eternal home
there pass some spirits blest;
while others to the margin
come,
waiting their call to rest.**

**Jesu, be thou our constant
Guide;
then, when the word is given,
bid Jordan's narrow stream
divide,
and bring us safe to heaven.**

Charles Wesley (1707-88) et al

Gospel Reading

*When the Gospel is announced
the Deacon says*

Alleluia, alleluia. You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, called out of darkness into his marvellous light. **All Alleluia.**

Deacon The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matt. 5.1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith in God.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of

the Father, and he will come to

judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession - *led by the intercessor using their own words or ...*

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Strengthen *Martin and Will* our bishops and all your Church in the service of Christ, that those who confess your name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Bless and guide *Charles our King*; give wisdom to all in authority; and direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace; that we may honour one another, and seek the common good.

Give grace to us, our families and friends, and to all our neighbours, that we may serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit ... ; give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Hear us as we remember those who have died in the faith of Christ ... ; according to your promises, grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may ever be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *All Amen.*

The Peace

Priest We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

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.*

Bright the vision that delighted once the sight of Judah's seer; sweet the countless tongues

**united
to entrance the prophet's ear.**

**Round the Lord in glory seated
cherubim and seraphim
filled his temple, and repeated
each to each the alternate hymn:**

**"Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord."**

**Heaven is still with glory
ringing,
earth takes up the angels' cry,
"Holy, Holy, Holy," singing,
"Lord of hosts, the Lord most
high."**

**With his seraph train before him,
with his holy Church below,
thus unite we to adore him,
bid we thus our anthem flow:**

**"Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
earth is with its fullness stored;
unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord."**

Richard Mant (1767- 1848)

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 (A)

Priest 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now we give you thanks, most gracious God, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, and glorified in the assembly of your saints. The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you. We, your holy Church, acclaim you. In communion with angels and archangels, and with all who served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voice to proclaim your glory, 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.**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Dcn Great is the mystery of faith

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

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon With saints and martyrs through the ages, 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.

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, 'Alleluia'. The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the

Lamb. 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: Peace I leave with you – Amy Beach

Hymn

He who would valiant be
'gainst all disaster,
let him in constancy
follow the Master.
There's no discouragement
shall make him once relent
his first avowed intent
to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
with dismal stories,
do but themselves confound -
his strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
though he with giants fight:
he will make good his right
to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
us with thy Spirit,
we know we at the end
shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
to be a pilgrim.

John Bunyan (1628-88) and Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

Prayer after Communion

Priest God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints

to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; 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 May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, give you joy in their fellowship, and strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness; 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

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou Bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!
Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)

Acclamation

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, **All there is no end to his greatness.**

One generation shall praise your works to another **All and shall declare your power.**

All your works praise you, Lord, **All and your faithful servants bless you.**

They make known the glory of your kingdom **All and speak of your power.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:

All let everything bless his holy name for ever and ever.

The Dismissal Gospel

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **All Glory to you, O Lord.**

St John. 17:6-9

Jesus said, "I have made your name known to those you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

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 Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Organ voluntary: Paeon – Peter Hurford (1930-2019)

Do stay for coffee!



"White poppies for peace are available at the back of church in exchange for a donation to the Mission to Seafarers. Just put money in one of their envelopes and drop in our collection box.. They are now plastic-free and need safety pins to attach".

Big Breakfast @ St Johns

Saturday 25th November

8.30 - 10am

You are invited to enjoy croissants and coffee in good company here at the church.

Tony Collins Green Party Councillor for Central St Leonards will speak on his faith and how it influences his work on Hastings Council.

*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 Tuesday.

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Malaysian cookery demonstration. Friday

17th

November
12:30-2pm

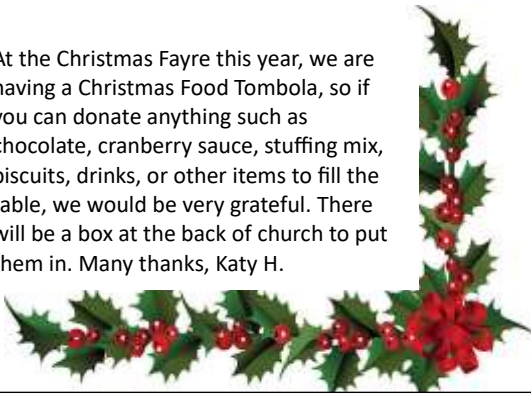


The lovely Rose will be demonstrating how to cook Laksa.

Nibble on spring rolls, then enjoy the laksa with a light desert to end. £10 per ticket. Tickets limited and only available in advance. Text/ ring 07484818760.

All in aid of St Michael's Hospice.
St John's Church Hall. Brittany Rd

At the Christmas Fayre this year, we are having a Christmas Food Tombola, so if you can donate anything such as chocolate, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, biscuits, drinks, or other items to fill the table, we would be very grateful. There will be a box at the back of church to put them in. Many thanks, Katy H.



For those who would like to help relieve the suffering in Gaza, there are a number of charities working on the ground who would welcome donations.

Doctors without borders/ Medicines sans Frontieres is getting medics and equipment to those who need it, as well as supplying surgical teams: [msf.org/donate](https://www.msf.org/donate)

Medical Aid for Palestinians is releasing its entire stock of drugs and supplies. MAP says more help is needed and is asking for donations to continue its work: www.map.org.uk/donate/

UNICEF Supporting children affected by the crisis, UNICEF says the young are paying the heaviest price for the fighting: www.unicef.org.uk/donate

VILLAGE FORCE AFRICA

Some of you will already have heard of the new charity being set up by various members of St John's aimed at helping to lift villagers in various areas of Africa out of extreme poverty and give them some of the basic requirements not just to survive but also to build better lives independently in the future. Deacon Michael is on the Board and the charity has been 'adopted' by St John's. We have succeeded in registering with the Charity Commission and have now set up a charity bank account.

We have raised initial funds to register in Zimbabwe (our first port of call) and are moving towards our first project (sanitation and borehole improvement).

There is much to be done and the Board are planning a get together/ presentation of the new charity and its aims in the near future where we can tell everyone all about this exciting new venture to change lives.. Our important next step is publicity, the basic necessity being the creation of a website. We need a simple website which we can alter ourselves and which requires minimum financial outlay or maintenance costs. Is there anyone who feels they can help us with this endeavour please?

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or Alan Privett on:

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Or catch them after the service please.