

**St John's
Pevensey Road**



**Pews News and
Service Sheet
for Sunday 6th
August – Feast of
the Transfiguration**

**8.30pm this evening, Alexandra
Park, Hastings, Boating Pond
Remember 1945 Atomic Bombings
of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.
The lantern ceremony is held by
people of peace all over the world,
with the pledge, NEVER AGAIN.
For help in making a lantern -
<http://www.hastingsagainstar.org/Lantern.html>**

**Welcome to Mass
this morning.**

This week:

**Morning Prayer: 9am Friday in
St Peter's Chapel**

NO Midweek Mass

**Online Zoom service:
Wednesdays at 10am***

**Morning Coffee: Fridays 10 – 12
noon in Church**

*Please request a link for the
Wednesday Zoom worship by
emailing:
pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com
and also send any updates for
prayer lists or items to include in
the Pews News by 10am Thursday.

Our prayers are asked for:

Holly H, Arlene, Andy, Gladys, Marie N, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Della, The Rev Lizzie G, Clare, Janet F, Basia S, Tim, Kathryn, Gill T, Lesley, Jack P, Sheila, Peter, and Anna.

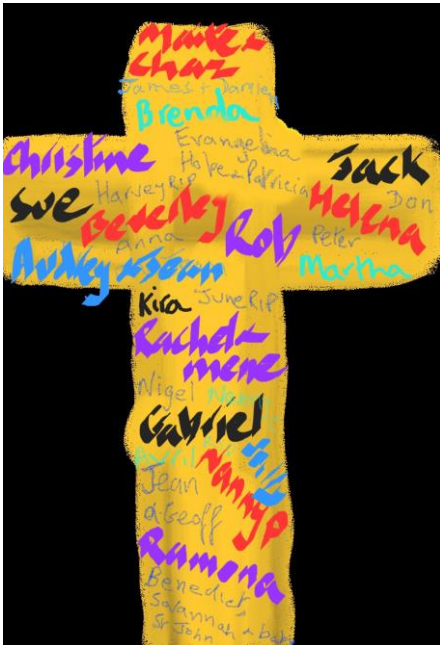
Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed,

...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, including Vic Barnes, Elizabeth Kingsnorth, Joan McNulty, Sheila Johnstone, Martin Usher, Geraldine Miller, Eric Farrer and all who mourn.



St John's Prayer C



All are prayed for by name on Fridays at Morning Prayer. 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 Prayer Cross at the back of the Church. Thank you.

(The editor is still trying to find the best way to reproduce this – thank you for your patience!)

CONGRATULATIONS to REVEREND ROSEMARY who has been appointed Priest-in-Charge (HfD) at Blacklands Church. She will undoubtedly bring them many blessings, as she has to St John's.

The Hastings Foodbank, run by the Trussell Trust, provides individuals and families with three days' worth of nutritionally balanced, non-perishable food. Our donations, at the back of church, are collected by them fortnightly. Can you help by donating? Their current "Urgent" list is shown below.. Toiletries and household cleaning products are also very welcome.

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS

UHT MILK FULL FAT (BLUE) AND SEMI (GREEN)

TINNED MEAT (BUT NOT CORNED BEEF OR PORK)

TINNED VEGETABLES (ESPECIALLY PEAS AND CARROTS)

TINNED FRUIT

TINNED SPAGHETTI IN SAUCE

Introit: O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace – Tye

Opening Hymn

O vision blest of heavenly light,
which meets the three disciples' sight,
when on the holy mount they see
their Lord's transfigured majesty.

More bright than day his raiment shone;
the Father's voice proclaimed the Son
belov'd before the worlds were made,
for us in mortal flesh arrayed.

And with him there on either hand
Lo, Moses and Elijah stand,
to show how Christ, to those who see,
fulfils both law and prophecy.

O Light from light, by love inclined,
Jesu, redeemer of mankind,
accept thy people's prayer and praise
which on the mount to thee they raise.

Be with us, Lord, as we descend
to walk with thee to journey's end,
that through thy cross we too may rise,
and share thy triumph in the skies.

To thee, O Father; Christ, to thee,
let praise and endless glory be,
whom with the Spirit we adore,
one Lord, one God, for evermore.
Amen.

G.B. Timms (b. 1910)

The Welcoming of the People

Priest In the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

Priest Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession

Deacon When Christ appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. As he is pure, all who have grasped this hope make themselves pure. So let us confess our sins that mar his image in us:

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you
in newness of life

to the glory of your name.
Amen.

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 Father in heaven, whose Son
Jesus Christ was wonderfully
transfigured before chosen
witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spoke of the exodus he would
accomplish at Jerusalem: give us
strength so to hear his voice and
bear our cross that in the world to
come we may see him as he is; 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 book of Daniel

Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14

As I watched, thrones were set in
place, and an Ancient One took his
throne, his clothing was white as
snow, and the hair of his head like
pure wool; his throne was fiery
flames, and its wheels were burning
fire.

A stream of fire issued and flowed
out from his presence. A thousand
thousands served him, and ten
thousand times ten thousand stood
attending him. The court sat in
judgment, and the books were
opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I
saw one like a human being coming
with the clouds of heaven. And he
came to the Ancient One and was
presented before him.

To him was given dominion and
glory and kingship, that all peoples,
nations, and languages should serve
him. His dominion is an everlasting
dominion that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one that shall
never be destroyed.

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

A Reading from the Second letter of Peter

2 Peter 1. 16-19

For we did not follow cleverly
devised myths when we made
known to you the power and coming
of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had
been eyewitnesses of his majesty.

For he received honour and glory
from God the Father when that voice
was conveyed to him by the Majestic
Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my
Beloved, with whom I am well
pleased."

We ourselves heard this voice come
from heaven, while we were with him
on the holy mountain. So, we have
the prophetic message more fully
confirmed. You will do well to be
attentive to this as to a lamp shining
in a dark place, until the day dawns
and the morning star rises in your
hearts.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
thy face and garments, like the
sun,
shine with unborrowed light.**

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
thy beauty to behold,
where Moses and Elijah stand,
thy messengers of old.**

**Fulfiller of the past!
promise of things to be!
We hail thy Body glorified,
and our redemption see.**

**Before we taste of death,
we see thy kingdom come;
we fain would hold the vision**

**bright,
and make this hill our home.**

**'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
yet we may not remain;
but since thou bidst us leave the
mount
come with us to the plain.**

J. Armitage Robinson (1858–1933)

Gospel Reading

Deacon Alleluia, alleluia. I am the
light of the world, says the Lord.
Whoever follows me will never walk
in darkness but will have the light of
life. **All Alleluia.**

Deacon The Lord be with you
All And also with you.

Dcn Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to Luke
All Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 9. 28 -36

Now about eight days after these
sayings Jesus took with him Peter
and John and James, and went up
on the mountain to pray.

And while he was praying, the
appearance of his face changed,
and his clothes became dazzling
white. Suddenly they saw two men,
Moses and Elijah, talking to him.
They appeared in glory and were
speaking of his departure, which he
was about to accomplish at
Jerusalem. Now Peter and his
companions were weighed down
with sleep; but since they had stayed
awake, they saw his glory and the
two men who stood with him.

Just as they were leaving him, Peter
said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for
us to be here; let us make three
dwellings, one for you, one for
Moses, and one for Elijah"-- not
knowing what he said.

While he was saying this, a cloud
came and overshadowed them; and

they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

Lord of glory, it is good that we are here. In peace we make our prayer to you. In trust we confirm our faith in you. Help us to set our faces steadfastly where you would go with us. Lord, look with favour.

All: Lord, transfigure and heal.

Lord of glory, look with favour on your Church, proclaiming your beloved Son to the world and listening to the promptings of his Spirit.... May it be renewed in holiness that it may reflect your glory.

Lord, look with favour.

All: Lord, transfigure and heal.

Lord of glory, look with favour on the nations of the world, scarred by hatred, strife and war, and crying out to be changed by the touch of your hand... May they hear the good news like a lamp shining in a murky place. Lord, look with favour.

All: Lord, transfigure and heal.

Lord of glory, look with favour on those in need and distress, suffering as your Son has suffered and waiting for the salvation you promise....May the day break and

Christ the Morning Star bring them
the light of his presence.

Lord, look with favour.

All: Lord, transfigure and heal.

Lord of glory, it is good if we suffer
with you so that we shall be glorified
with you. According to your promise
bring all Christ's brothers and sisters
to see him with their own eyes in
majesty and to be changed into his
likeness from glory to glory.

To him be praise, dominion and
worship now and for all eternity.

All. Amen.

The Peace

Deacon Christ will transfigure our
human body and give it a form like
that of his own glorious body. We
are the Body of Christ. We share his
peace.

Priest 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.*

**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

The priest takes the bread and wine.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation; you bring forth bread from
the earth.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you create the fruit of the vine.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)The

Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you're a holy people. And now we give you thanks because the divine glory of the incarnate Word shone forth upon the holy mountain; and your own voice from heaven proclaimed your beloved Son. 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:

**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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

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, Moses, Elijah and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours,

almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Deacon Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread:
We break the bread of life and that
life is the light of the world:

All God here among us, light in
the midst of us, bring us to light
and life.

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.

The gifts of God for the people of
God.

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

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

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

*Anthem: Turn thy face from my sins -
Attwood*

Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible
hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious,
thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting,
and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting,
thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest,
to both great and small;
in all life thou livest,
the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish;
but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee,
all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render:
O help us to see
'tis only the splendour
of light hideth thee.

W. Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

Prayer after Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name, 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 Christ Jesus, the splendour of the Father and the image of his being, draw you to himself that you may live in his light and share his glory; 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

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)

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

All May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, and love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit, be with us all, evermore.
Amen.

Priest May the souls of the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace...

All and rise in glory. Amen.

Dcn Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.


All In the name of Christ. Amen.

*Organ voluntary: Grand Choeur –
William R. Spence*

Do stay for coffee!

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A message from Kate:

Via Beata Walks

As part of my preparation for walking the Compostela next June, I am going to be walking on Fridays if anyone would like to join me. In addition, I am planning some 3-day weekends to start walking this new pilgrimage route across England from Lowestoft to St David's in Wales. The first weekend will be the 20 -22nd October; each day's walk will be 11- 13 miles. If you would like to join this or any future weekends do talk to me or email me and I will keep you updated. The walk website is www.viabeata.co.uk

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Signed *Andy Adams* Date **22nd January 2021**
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