



OneBodyOneFaith



St John's Pevensey Road Welcome to Mass this morning Fifth Sunday of Lent

Passiontide begins

Pews News and Service Sheet for Sunday 17th March 2024

During the week:

Monday at 7pm

Lent Gathering

in St Peter's Chapel;

Wednesday 10am

Midweek Mass -

in St Peter's Chapel;

Wednesdays at 10am

Online Zoom service;*

Fridays 10am – noon

Morning Coffee

Easter Lillies - can be requested for loved ones for £2.50 per lily by completing a form from the back of church. The names will then be shown next to the flower arrangement.



Stations of the Cross

There is a sheet for people to sign if they are willing to prepare and read a one-minute thought on one of the Stations of the Cross that will take place here on Good Friday (29th March).



If anyone wants to ask about either of these, they can ask the Clergy, Churchwardens or Katy Harper for more details.



Our prayers are asked for: David S, Tony G; Rachel T; Ken and Shirley K
Please pray also for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Pauline and Patrick E ...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, and all who mourn.

St John's Prayer Cross



Collect for St Patrick's Day

Almighty God, who in your providence chose your servant Patrick to be the apostle of the Irish people: keep alive in us the fire of the faith he kindled and strengthen us in our pilgrimage towards the light of everlasting life; 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. Amen.



<p>Helena O Dulcie Miri Della Lorenzo</p>	<p>Everyone in the Holy Land under duress</p> <p>Anna</p> <p>Jean & Geof Peter Olli Gill T</p> <p>Terry S Zack Nigel D</p> <p>Tia K</p> <p>Jeannie & Audrey & family</p>	<p>Ramona John H Don Bostik Diane Goldie</p> <p>Lori-Leigh M Maite & Chaz Janie H-D</p>
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All are regularly prayed for by name

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.



*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 sheet asap. (Print date is dependent on Tina's working days) Thank you.

Opening Hymn

It is a thing most wonderful,
Almost too wonderful to be,
That God's own Son should
come from heaven,
And die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true:
He chose a poor and humble lot,
And wept, and toiled,
and mourned, and died
For love of those
who loved him not.

But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
Of that great love, which,
like a fire,
Is always burning in his heart.

It is most wonderful to know
His love for me so free and sure;
But 'tis more wonderful to see
My love for him
so faint and poor.

And yet I want to love thee,
Lord;
O light the flame
within my heart,
And I will love thee
more and more,
Until I see thee as thou art.

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.

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. Let us then
show our love for him by
confessing our sins in penitence
and faith.

Silence is kept

Dcn Lord Jesus Christ, we confess
we have failed you as did your first
disciples. We ask for your mercy
and your help.

When we take our ease
rather than watch with you:.

Lord, forgive us

All Christ, have mercy.

Dcn When we bestow a kiss of
peace yet nurse enmity in our
hearts: Lord, forgive us

All Christ, have mercy.

Dcn When we strike at those who
hurt us rather than stretch out our
hands to bless: Lord, forgive us.

All Lord, have mercy.

Dcn When we deny that we know
you for fear of the world and its
scorn: Lord, forgive us

All Christ, have mercy.

*The Kyrie Eleison is sung by choir
and congregation*

Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy upon us.

The Absolution

Priest May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. *All Amen.*

The Collect

Priest Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. *All Amen.*

The Liturgy of the Word *all sit*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31. 31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the

LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more. .

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 5.5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**When I survey the wondrous Cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,**

**And pour contempt
on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord,
that I should boast
Save in the death
of Christ my God;
All the vain things
that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

**See from his head, his
hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love
flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love
and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose
so rich a crown?**

**His dying crimson like a robe,
Spreads o'er his body
on the Tree;
Then am I dead to all the globe,
And all the globe is dead to me.**

**Were the whole realm
of nature mine,
That were a present
far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul,
my life, my all.**

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

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

Praise to you O Christ, King of
eternal glory. Christ humbled
himself and became obedient unto
death, even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted
him and given him the name that is
above every name.

**All Praise to you O Christ, King
of eternal glory.**

Deacon The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

John 12.20-33

Now among those who went up to
worship at the festival were some
Greeks.

They came to Philip, who was from
Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to
him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus."
Philip went and told Andrew; then
Andrew and Philip went and told
Jesus. Jesus answered them,
"The hour has come for the Son of
Man to be glorified. Very truly, I
tell you, unless a grain of wheat
falls into the earth and dies, it
remains just a single grain; but if it
dies, it bears much fruit. Those
who love their life lose it, and those
who hate their life in this world will
keep it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow
me, and where I am, there will my
servant be also. Whoever serves
me, the Father will honour.
"Now my soul is troubled. And
what should I say-- 'Father, save
me from this hour'? No, it is for this
reason that I have come to this
hour. Father, glorify your name."
Then a voice came from heaven, "I
have glorified it, and I will glorify it
again." The crowd standing there
heard it and said that it was
thunder. Others said, "An angel
has spoken to him." Jesus
answered, "This voice has come
for your sake, not for mine. Now is
the judgment of this world; now the
ruler of this world will be driven
out. And I, when I am lifted up
from the earth, will draw all people

to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Deacon Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

All Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with
God, but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.
He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised him
on high, and given him the name
above every name: that at the
name of Jesus every knee
should bow, and every voice
proclaim that Jesus Christ is
Lord, to the glory of God the
Father. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

The Peace

Priest Once we were far off but
now in union with Christ Jesus we
have been brought near through
the shedding of Christ's blood, for
he is our 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 sacred head surrounded
by crown of piercing thorn;
O royal head so wounded,
reviled and put to scorn:
death's shadows
rise before you,
the glow of life decays,
yet angel hosts adore you
and tremble as they gaze!**

Your youthfulness and vigour
are spent, your strength is gone,
and in your tortured figure
I see death drawing on:
what agony of dying,
what love, to sinners free!
My Lord, all grace supplying,
O turn your face on me!

Your sinless soul's oppression
was all for sinners' gain;
mine, mine was the
transgression,
but yours the deadly pain:
I bow my head, my Saviour,
for I deserve your place;
O grant to me your favour,
and heal me by your grace.

What language shall I borrow
to thank you, dearest Friend,
for this your dying sorrow,
your mercy without end?
Lord, make me yours for ever:
your servant let me be;
and may I never, never
betray your love for me.

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1859) and Henry W Baker (1821 - 1877) ©
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Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion; make us perfect in your love. **All Amen.**

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

Priest It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified. He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth
are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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.

Deacon: Christ is the bread of life

All When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

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, 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 Lord Jesus, remember us
in your kingdom and teach us to
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 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.

**O Lamb of God,
our Lord most holy,
who redeems us from our sin.
Have mercy on us,
meek and lowly,**

**make us clean and pure within.
Grant us peace we humbly pray,
as we who worship you today
receive your body and your
blood, renewed in faith
by heav'nly food.**

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

**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: Ave Verum Corpus - Byrd

Hymn

**Were you there when they
crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they
crucified my Lord?
O--sometimes it causes me to
tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when they
crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they
nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they
nailed him to the tree?
O--sometimes it causes me to
tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when they
nailed him to the tree?**

**Were you there when they
pierced him in the side?
Were you there when they
pierced him in the side?
O--sometimes it causes me to**

tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when they
pierced him in the side?

Were you there when the sun
refused to shine?
Were you there when the sun
refused to shine?
O--sometimes it causes me to
tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when the sun
refused to shine?

Were you there when they
laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they
laid him in the tomb?
O--sometimes it causes me to
tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when they
laid him in the tomb?

Were you there when he rose
from out the tomb?
Were you there when he rose
from out the tomb?
O--sometimes it causes me to
tremble, tremble, tremble;
Were you there when he rose
from out the tomb?

African-American spiritual

Prayer after Communion

Priest Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us that what we
do for the least of our brothers and
sisters we do also for you:
give us the will to be the servant of
others as you were the servant of
all, and gave up your life and died
for us, but are alive and reign, now
and for ever. *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 crucified draw you to
himself to find in him a sure ground
for faith, a firm support for hope,
and the assurance of sins forgiven;
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

CHORUS:

*Lift high the cross, the love of
Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His
sacred name.*

VERSES:

**Come Christians follow
where our Saviour trod**

**Our King victorious,
Christ the Son of God.**

**O Lord, once lifted
on the glorious three
As thou hast promised,
draw us all to thee.**

**For thy blest cross
which doth for all atone,
Creations praises
raise before thy throne.**

**So shall our song
of triumph ever be
Praise to the crucified
for victory!**

*G W Kitchin (1827-1912)
and M R Newbolt (1874-1956)*

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 This is love, not that we
loved God

All but that he loved us and sent
his Son.

Dcn He is the sacrifice for our sins
All that we might live through
him.

Deacon If God loves us so much

All we ought to love one another.

Deacon If we love one another

All God lives in us.

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.
All Thanks be to God.

*Organ voluntary: Lacrimosa from
Requiem - Mozart*

Do stay for coffee!



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**

- **COFFEE**

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Please contact her also for
Church Hall bookings.

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contacted on
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Our current Administrator is retiring in June and we are therefore looking for a suitable person to take over the running of St John the Evangelist office on a part time basis – 16 hours per week. The Church is at the top of Pevensey Road and serves the local community. If you would be interested please contact us for more information and a job description on admstjohns30@gmail.com or phone 07831904321.

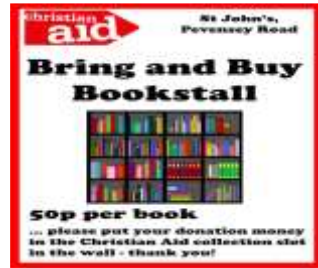


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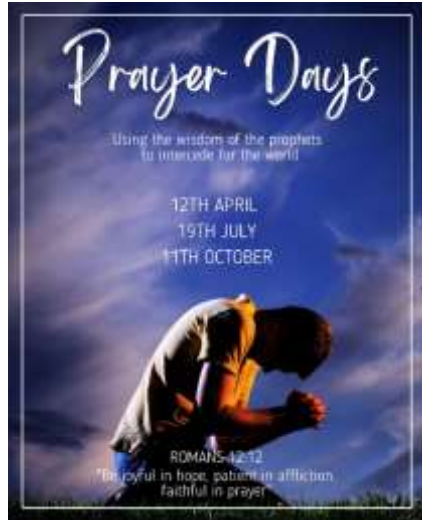


PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS
 A Service of Taizé Music and Prayer
 for Good Friday
MARCH 29th 2024 8.00pm
 Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury and English Martyrs
 Magdalen Rd. St. Leonards TN37 6ET



All welcome

Images and words like to help in leading the music is asked to come in a practice of 7.00pm



All are welcome to the Hastings Easter Festival this year at the Stade Open Space on Holy Saturday, March 30th. It will be at the earlier times of 2pm - 6pm. This is an outreach event with live music, stalls and a message. It aims to celebrate Easter within the community, and also that people can hear the message of Easter of Jesus crucified and raised for us.

We are looking for people to help with the event (e.g. stewards), and if you would like to, please get in touch, on 07479957051. There is a team briefing meeting on Sunday 24th March 7.30pm at Sunrise church on Bohemia Rd. Website: easterfestival.net FB/Instagram @hastingseasterfestival