

St John's, Pevensey Road



Pews News & Service Sheet for Sunday 26th September 2021

The 17th Sunday after Trinity



Welcome to our Mass Services today - held each Sunday at 08:00 and 10:30 a.m.
(The 10:30 service is recorded and broadcast via our church website later in the day)

This week:

Morning Prayer Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, at 9 a.m.

Church open for private prayer, daily 9 - 5.

Midweek Mass Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Online "Zoom" service: 10 a.m. on Wednesday. Send Rev Jill or Deacon Michael an email and they will send you the necessary "link".

Morning Coffee every Friday 10 - 12, in church

Our prayers are asked for:

Jean & Geoff, Geraldine, Brenda R, Jane G, Jo, Amber, Shirley, Andrew N, Don F, Sue T, Eve G, Rob, Jenny H, Jon W, Andy, Dawn, Frances K, and Alison N.

Please pray also for...

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Valerie Bishop,

... those whose Years Minds fall around this time: Brian Hanrahan, Rose & Jim Connor, Annette & John Waters, Mike Heasman, and Samantha Loweth,

... and all who mourn.

Thank you to all who prayed for Rory. He has recovered well from his operation and is back at school. CC

Please pray for the Deanery Synod, to be held tomorrow, 27th September



The LGBT+ group is meeting this Saturday, 2nd October, at 2.30 p.m. We shall be discussing inclusive language in church. Further details from Mike and Clare C.

Email: cw1stjohns@gmail.com

CC

Drop in for Morning Coffee

... and to spend some time in this beautiful church

All welcome

Fridays, 10:00 - 12:00

St Michael's Hospice BIG SING

Here at St John's,
Saturday 9th October,
3 - 9 p.m.
Free entry,
All welcome.

stmichaelshospice.com

LOAF First Sunday Walk

Next Sunday, October 3rd.

Anyone from any of the churches in Hastings is most welcome to join this next monthly fellowship walk.

Meet at St John the Baptist Church, Westfield, at 2.30 p.m. for a 4 Mile country footpath circuit of Westfield.

This will be the last walk of the year starting at 2.30 p.m. During winter months walks will start at 2 p.m. to accommodate the fading of the light!

Do you have an item, prayer list update, or info for the Pews News? Please send to pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com by 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Thanks!

Mass for the 17th Sunday after Trinity

Introit: O taste and see -
Vaughan Williams

The Greeting

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All 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.

Prayer of Confession

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ
to save us from our sins,
to be our advocate in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins
in penitence and faith,
firmly resolved to keep God's
commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

All 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.

The priest says the Absolution

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

All 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.**

**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.**

**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.**

Amen

The Collect

Let us pray:

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus
Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

A reading from the Book of Numbers

Numbers 11.4-6,10-16,24-29

The rabble among the people had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, 'If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.'

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the LORD, 'Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favour in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, "Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child," to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, "Give us meat to eat!" I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once – if I have found favour in your sight – and do not let me see my misery.'

So the LORD said to Moses, 'Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.'

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he

gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!'

For the Word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God

A reading from the Letter of James

James 5.13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be

forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

For the Word of the Lord
All Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary, rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build,
My shield and hiding place,
My never-failing treasury filled
With boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King;
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

Till then I would thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath,
And may the music of thy name
Refresh my soul in death.

John Newton (1725-1807)

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life,
says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father except
through me.

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 9.38-end

John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw
someone casting out demons in your
name, and we tried to stop him,
because he was not following us.'
But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no
one who does a deed of power in my
name will be able soon afterwards to
speak evil of me. Whoever is not
against us is for us. For truly I tell you,
whoever gives you a cup of water to
drink because you bear the name of
Christ will by no means lose the reward.

'If any of you put a stumbling-block
before one of these little ones who
believe in me, it would be better for you

if a great millstone were hung around
your neck and you were thrown into the
sea. If your hand causes you to stumble,
cut it off; it is better for you to enter life
maimed than to have two hands and to
go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And
if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it
off; it is better for you to enter life lame
than to have two feet and to be thrown
into hell. And if your eye causes you to
stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to
enter the kingdom of God with one eye
than to have two eyes and to be thrown
into hell, where their worm never dies,
and the fire is never quenched.

'For everyone will be salted with fire.
Salt is good; but if salt has lost its
saltiness, how can you season it?
Have salt in yourselves, and be at
peace with one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

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

**All 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

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

The response to the petitions may be:

Lord, in your mercy
All Hear our prayer

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace is introduced

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all
baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for
peace
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always
with you.

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of
peace.

We may exchange a sign of peace

Preparation of the Table

*The table is prepared and bread
and wine are placed upon it.*

Music: *To a wild rose - Edward
MacDowell*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation:
through your goodness we have
this bread to set before you,
which earth has given and human
hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.
All Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have
this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human
hands.

It will become for us the cup of
salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The priest takes the bread and wine.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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
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 in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.**

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 Saint John the Evangelist, Saint Peter, 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

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

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.

Agnus Dei

All Jesus, Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
Have mercy on us
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
Give us your peace

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to
his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to
receive you,
but only say the word,
and I shall be healed.

Communion is received

Anthem: O Saviour of the world - Goss

Prayer after Communion

*The priest prays the Post Communion
for the day:*

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

Final hymn

Jesus, 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 Savior, 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 defenseless 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)

The Blessing and Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you
All And also with you

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you
and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

**Concluding Voluntary: Finale from
Sonata No.1 - Guilmant**



The PCC are hoping to
reinstate **Coffee after
Mass on Sundays.**

If you are interested in
helping with this,
please can you contact Katy H

Thank you!

Next Sunday, 3rd Oct, we celebrate



Thanksgiving

**As usual we will be welcoming gifts for
the Seaview Project** - a local open
access wellbeing centre, offering help
and inspiration for people living on
society's margins. Gifts of the following
foods would be much appreciated:
**Cereals, Biscuits, Long life milk, Instant
coffee, Hot chocolate, Tea bags, Pasta**

**RING PULL CANS of Baked beans,
Chopped tomatoes, Tuna, Meals,
Meats, Hot dogs, and "Big Soups".**

**Other items such as Clothing, Blankets,
Towels, Bedding, and Toiletries are
always welcome too.**

A date for your diary!

St John's Christmas Fayre

We are hoping to hold a shortened
version of our Christmas Fayre this
year, on Saturday 11th December, in
the Church Hall.

We would welcome:

- support for stalls
- practical help with setting up and
clearing away
- financial donations
- donations of items for the Tombola
and for the Hamper Raffle.

Please contact Katy H

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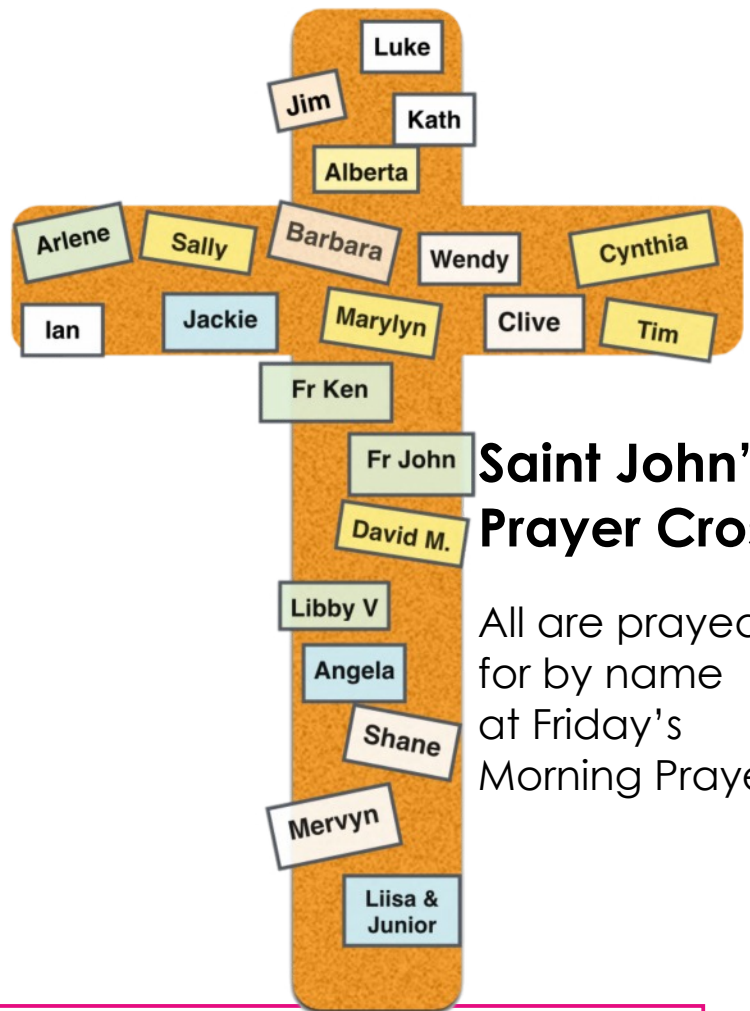
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Saint John's Prayer Cross

All are prayed for by name at Friday's Morning Prayer

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