

BLOOD DONING

Thursday 11th December

2 - 4.30pm & 5.30 - 8pm *and*

Monday 22nd December

10am - 12.30pm & 2 - 4.30pm

Charmandean Centre, Forest Road

Call 0300 123 23 23 to book an appointment or just walk in to give your armful.

Blood supplies drop dangerously low over the Christmas period.

The National Blood & Transplant Service need a minimum of 200,000 donations to cover the festive season, especially blood type O.

If the above sessions are not suitable for you go to www.blood.co.uk and click on 'session finder' to find an alternative time and place to donate. Or call 0300 123 23 23

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Office open Monday, Thursday & Friday
9.3am - 12.30pm

The office will be closed Thursday
30th October to Friday 7th November

Please get items for Pews News to the office by noon on Thursday

Safeguarding Representatives:

Children: June Elphick
Adults: Morag Hardinge
DBS Checks: Hilary Ferries

More info at: www.thinkyounow.co.uk

WHAT'S ON

Sunday 30th

First Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Young Followers

2.45pm Celebration Singers

Monday 1st December

10.30am Monday Nomads

7.30pm Monday Group

Tuesday 2nd

6.00pm Brownies

7.30pm Home for Good

7.30pm Faith in the Fog

7.45pm Goring Group

Wednesday 3rd

10.30am Vicarage Morning Group

10.30am East End Home Group

7.30pm Vicarage Evening Group

Thursday 4th

10.30am Toddlers

Friday 5th

5.30pm Rainbows

7.00pm Guides

7.30pm Music Group

Saturday 6th

8.00am Prayer breakfast

Sunday 7th

Second Sunday of Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Family Service

Young Followers

2.45pm Celebration Singers

PEWS NEWS



Ecclesiastical Parish of St George,
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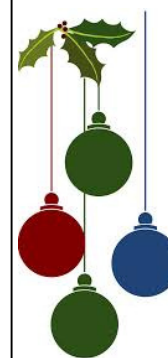
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knowing Jesus and making him known

SUNDAY 30th November 2014 *Advent Sunday*

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion



Posh Christmas Nosh & Natter

Wednesday 10th December

12.15pm for 1.00pm in the Church Hall

On the menu this month:

A glass of wine **or** soft drink

Traditional Christmas Dinner

(vegetarian option available - please mention when booking)

Christmas Pudding with Brandy Butter or

Custard **or** Fruit Salad

Tea or Coffee & Mints

Crackers and a Christmas Quiz!

Cost: Suggested voluntary donation of **£6.00** per person

BOOKING is ESSENTIAL

Sign the list in church or *phone:*

Worthing 219672

or email: office@stgeorgesworthing.org.uk

**Bookings must be received by noon on
Monday 8th December**

CHRISTMAS PUBLICITY

In your Pews News today you will find 10 fliers advertising the Christmas Services at St George's. Please hand these to your friends and neighbours and encourage them to come along to church this Christmas. More fliers are available when you run out! Posters are also available; if you can display one at home or work or in a local shop please have a word with Helen A.

Please take PEWS NEWS home with you and use as a Prayer and Information Guide throughout the coming week

PRAYER NEEDS

Members and friends of the fellowship in need of our prayers this week: **Mavis Brown; Maureen Charlesworth; Joan Craig; Joyce Daley; Maureen Dawson; John Houghton; Pam Hollis; Michael Jones; Mary Kershaw; Joy Russell; the family of Sybil Webb.**



And for:

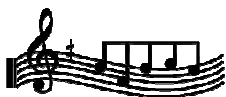
Jo Robinson - her outreach plans for this Christmas & her preparations for returning to the UK next year

Katharine Marrow - as she remains in Honduras this Christmas rather than coming back to the UK. Also for her on-going health issues.

The next Parish Prayer Breakfast will be on **Saturday 6th December** at Margaret Davey's home, 48 Seamill Park Crescent at 8.00am. New people are always very welcome to join us as we pray for our church's ministry and enjoy breakfast!

Please feel free to join us every Sunday morning at 9.45am in the Vicar's Vestry for a time of prayer before the morning service.

ORGANIST'S NOTES



Today being Advent Sunday, the Voluntary after today's service is a setting of the Advent hymn *Veni Redemptor Gentium* by Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654) who was a pupil of Sweelinck and became organist in Halle. Taken from Pt.III of his *Tabulatura Nova* of 1624, 5 verses are set in this stately piece; the first is fugal, and in verses 2-5 the melody appears from treble to bass in descending order.

MONDAY GROUP...

meet tomorrow (1st December) for the last time this year for a musical evening which is open to everyone! 7.30pm in the Church Hall. More details from any member of Monday Group.



BIBLE READING NOTES

Today is your **LAST CHANCE** to order Bible Reading notes for 2015. Please hand your completed order form **with payment** to Robina today.

This week's HOME GROUPS

Monday

- **Monday Nomads**
10.30am at 45 Penrith Court Broadwater Street East

Tuesday

- **Goring Group**
7.45pm at 48 Aldsworth Avenue

Wednesday

- **Vicarage Morning Group**
10.30am at 14 Pendine Avenue
- **East End Group**
10.30am at 30 Ophir Road
- **Vicarage Evening Group**
7.30pm at 14 Pendine Avenue

Please speak to one of today's Greeters, the Vicar or a Warden if you are interested in joining one of our informal Bible study groups.

WEB SITE

PEWS NEWS is available online again! The new look St George's Web Site is up and running but please be patient while we iron out one or two issues! Go to www.stgeorgesworthing.org.uk

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

more details at the back of the church...

Tuesday 2nd December

- **Home for Good**
An evening for the church to explore, understand & better support Adoption & Fostering. Maybridge Community Church, The Strand. 7.30pm
- **Faith in the Fog**
An evening with Jeff Lucas & Searchlight Theatre Company. Worthing Baptist Church 7.30pm

Thursday 11th December

- **Let's Sing Together**
Worthing Churches Carol Singing in South Street Square 6.30 - 7.30pm

Saturday 13th &

Sunday 14th December

- **Christmas Tree Festival**
St Botolphs Church, for WCHP



MEN'S GROUP CHRISTMAS MEAL

Please meet outside St George's at 7.30pm tomorrow, **Monday 1st**

December. Meal is booked for 8.00pm

COFFEE

Helen A is drawing up the new Coffee Rota for 2015. If you can commit to helping with this important part of our fellowship once every 6 - 8 weeks please have a word with her as soon as possible. The new rota will be available next week.



PRAYER LETTERS

The latest prayer letters from **Acorn** and **Katharine Marrow** are available at the back of the church.

STEWARDSHIP MAKES SENSE

A recent Stewardship presentation reminded us of the large financial problem we face to run our Church. Increased Giving this year is helping to reduce the deficit to around £500 per week (equivalent to £26,000 loss p.a.). But with this huge deficit we will run out of money from Reserves and will not be able to afford repairs and improvements to our buildings in future. Ways to turn this around include regular Giving through the Parish Direct Giving Scheme, or envelope scheme. If you are a tax payer, by signing up to Gift Aid the Church can claim from the tax man an extra 25% on top of your giving. In the Pilgrim Chapel you will find leaflets about regular Giving and leaving a lasting legacy by including a gift to the Church in your will. Contact one of the Stewardship Team - Laura Preston, Brian (Vicar), Keith Calver or Peter Rhodes - who will be happy to talk with you in confidence. Thank you for all that you do; giving your time, skills, money, prayers, love and support for the life and ministry at St Georges. Together we can make this deficit disappear.

*We make a living by what we get;
we make a life by what we give.*

ENVELOPE SCHEME

The envelopes for 2015 are ready for collection from the table in the Pilgrim Chapel. Please **DO NOT** start using them until January 2015!

The envelope scheme helps you to remember to give regularly to St George's if you prefer not to give by standing order or through the Parish Giving Scheme. Your donation can still be Gift Aided. Please see Helen A or Laura for more details.