

**Live stream**

Please be aware that all our Sunday 10:30 am services are streamed live and are on YouTube. If you do not want to be seen, please sit towards the middle of the church or at the sides. **Parents and carers who do not want their children filmed should ensure that children remain away from the bottom steps at the front.** Live streaming begins at 10:25 am.

If you have a concern with the live stream, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officers (Sue Fotheringham or Jean Kerr).

**DIARY OF EVENTS****Today – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

8am	Quiet Communion	1 Peter 2: 2-10 John 14: 1-14
10:30am	Family Communion	John 21: 1-19
6pm	Pulse for years 7-13	

**This Week**

Monday	Bank Holiday	Church office closed
Tuesday	10am – 12noon 2pm – 4pm	Tadpoles (Parents and babies) Anna Chaplaincy Ladies Meeting
Wednesday	10.30am 12 – 2pm	Midweek Communion Service Warm Welcome
Saturday	10am – 11am	Prayer Meeting

**Next Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

8am	Quiet Communion	1 Peter 3: 13-22 John 14: 15-21
10.30am	Family Worship	Acts 1: 1-9
6pm	Pulse for years 7-13	

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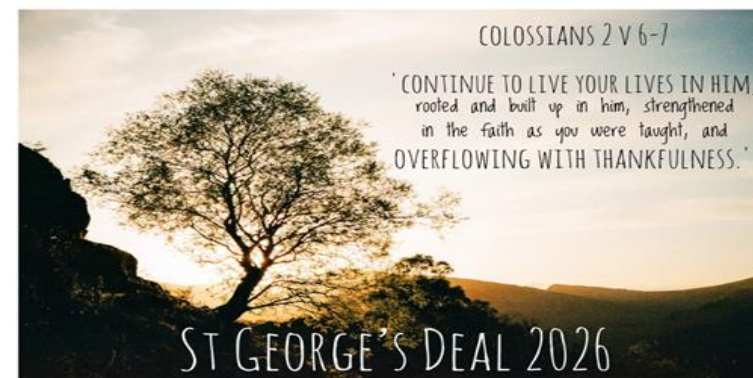
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<https://www.youtube.com/@stgeorgeschurchdeal3665>

# Welcome to St. George's Deal

... especially if you are a visitor or with us for the first time today. We hope you enjoy being here.



## Children & Young people.

Children and young people are invited to groups part way through our time together:

**Divers for Yr R – Yr4 & Emerge Yr 5 – Yr9**

Please drop your children off in the foyer where the register will be taken and the children will then be taken to Hope House for their activities, after their groups have finished all children will be brought back to church and returned to their parent / carer.

Parents of babies, please use the soft-play area at the back of the church. Pre-schoolers and parents are welcome to use the hosted family lounge area set up in the Extension. We have the service livestreamed here on the big TV set and some books, colouring and toys to play with.

**Thank you to Walk for serving coffee and tea,  
and washing up today**

**Prayer Ministry is available at the end of our service today.  
If you would like someone to pray with/for you, the badged team would love to do this and are available at the front of the church.**

## Sean Sheffield

The Induction service for the Rev'd Sean Sheffield, as Vicar of the Parish of St George the Martyr, will be held at the church on 13th May at 7.30pm and taken by the Bishop of Dover and Archdeacon of Ashford. Sean is presently taking a spiritual break, although he may attend some of our services over the next week. He will be moving into his new office, in the south gallery office opposite the Church Manager, on 9th May so please do not try to contact him before Monday 11th May

## Anna Chaplaincy Ladies Meeting – Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2pm -4pm

These meetings take place on the first Tuesday of every month for fellowship and befriending with compassion and humour. We try different activities as we meet in the Extension and enjoy cake and tea/coffee. Please do join us at our next meeting this coming Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May, where Jean Kerr will be giving a talk about Thy Kingdom Come

## Easter Gift Day

Thank you to all who have donated to our annual Gift day, the total received at the end of April is £7,650 out of our target of £10,000. For those who would still like to donate a special thank you offering to God for all he gives to them and to us, please do so in the usual manner

## Deal Parochial School Spiritual Garden

The pupils are rejuvenating their Spiritual Garden and have now asked St George's for practical help with setting up the garden, from 27th April. If you are able to help with weeding and planting, please contact Jo Rogers on [churchmanager@stgdeal.org](mailto:churchmanager@stgdeal.org)

## New Wine

A reminder that the New Wine Festival is on 28 July - 2 August 2026. If you are interested, visit <https://www.festival.new-wine.org/>

## Saturday Prayer Meetings:

The next meeting is Saturday 9th May and then on 23rd May. Contact Dave Stafford for more details at [worship@stgdeal.org](mailto:worship@stgdeal.org)

## PRAYERS THIS WEEK

### Give thanks:

- For Lynn, Janet and Trevor who are planning and organising Sean's induction service and for Jo Rogers, Pete Gill and the host team who will be active in getting things right on the night. May this all go well for Sean and all involved to the glory of God our father and Jesus Christ his son
- For the beautiful, sunny and mainly warm weather that we have had over the past weeks, the spring flowers and trees in blossom and the new born lambs in the fields, all this brightens up our days and makes us happy to be part of God's rich creation. May we also play our part in being "environmentally friendly" in our homes, our travel and all we do, to the glory of God
- For our farmers, most of whom work very hard over long hours to provide food for our tables. We ask for God's blessing on them and particularly pray for those who are struggling due to the pressures of work or the changes in our climate
- For the recent meetings between Sarah, our Archbishop, and Pope Leo, may these lead to a better understanding between the Anglican and Catholic churches and bring us closer together under the one true God

### Please pray:

- Sean and Ruth, as they have some private time together to allow the Holy Spirit to lead them as they prepare to move to St George's at the end of next week
- For James Archer and Rob Page as they continue their training to move into God's ministry, and ask that He will give them humility and understanding as he guides them through their studies
- For Janet Wakeman and others known to each one of us who are unwell or undergoing medical treatment. May God pour out His blessings on each one of them and bring them the healing that only He knows
- For those in need in this country; particularly the homeless and those who have to rely on food banks and other charities to survive and for those suffering from the escalating prices of food and fuel.
- That the fragile ceasefire between the USA & Israel and Iran will continue and that a swift and long-lasting peace will be found in this war and the conflicts in Ukraine, Sudan and other countries where war and terrorism abound.

If you have a prayer request, please contact [prayer@stgdeal.org](mailto:prayer@stgdeal.org)

## Please Pray for our Mission Partners for May:



Making known the suffering and persecution of Christians around the world. Bringing hope through aid, advocacy, empowerment & education to strengthen communities in places where following Jesus is the most dangerous

[Barnabusaid.org](http://Barnabusaid.org)

*We do not normally take collections at our services but if you would like to make a donation to the mission & ministry of STG's, please visit our PGS giving page at [parishgiving.org.uk](http://parishgiving.org.uk) & use Parish Code 060606159. Alternatively speak to one of their friendly advisors on 0333 002 1260. An offertory plate and donation boxes are situated at the rear of the church and a card reading machine in the foyer, also more information on PGS.10% of all donations received plus Gift Aid will be passed onto our mission partners.*