

# Pews News

2 July 2023  
Trinity IV



Welcome to  
Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church

**Rector: Fr Neil Roberts**

**Curate: Fr Alistair Milne**

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## Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about them making noise or moving around – you are here and are welcome. There are activities for the children at the back of church - Junior Church will be back at 10am next Sunday.

## Making yourself comfortable

Kneelers can be found in a box in the narthex or under the back pews. Toilets are available in the Parish Centre. Please join us for refreshments in the hall afterwards.

## Services This Month

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 10:00 Parish Mass with Junior Church**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 10:00 Parish Mass with Baptisms**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10:00 Parish Mass**

**17:00 Hymns & Pimms - with your favourite hymns**

**08:30 Prayer Book Mass on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

**13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy each Sunday**

## This week's services, readings & intentions

M		John 20:24-29	<b>John 20:24-29</b>
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.8:23-27	
W	10:00 Morning Prayer 12:00 Mass	Matt.8:28-end	
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.9:1-8	<i>Thomas More</i>
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Matt.9:9-13	
Sat		Matt.9:14-17	
Sun	10:00 Parish Mass with Junior Church <b>13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy</b>	Matt.11:16-19, 25-end	<b>Trinity V</b>

## Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) President & Preacher: The Rector

**18:30 Welcome Mass for Fr Alistair (CW) President & Preacher : The Rector**

### Intercessions



Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Diocese of Malek Rup – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The success of “The Parish Needs Process” that it will enable parishes to be supported in the implementation of their Church Development plans to underpin the “Transforming Church, Transforming Lives” vision.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Greta, Graham, Holly, Anthony and Adrian.

The Year's Mind: Eddie Spooner, Lilian Chapman, William Thomas Jones (Rector), Cuthbert Grieg and Heather Seth-Smith.

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## Live Streaming Links

Our YouTube livestream: <http://youtube.com/@SaintNics>

6:30 pm Welcome Mass for Fr Alistair:

<https://youtube.com/live/OJXbvTNUSgE>

Our Facebook livestream: <https://www.facebook.com/saintrnicolasguildford/live/>



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## This Week / Next Week

### **This Week** 2 July

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

6:30 pm Welcome Mass for Fr Alistair

*On Duty @ 6:30pm*

*Reader: Darrol Radley*

*Intercessor: Hilary Fletcher*

*Sidespeople: Iain Ferguson, James Wix*

*Refreshments: Cath Anderson, Jo Radley*

### **Next Week** 9 July

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

*On Duty @ 10am*

*Reader: Gill Williams*

*Intercessor: David Greenwood*

*Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew, Tarina More*

*Coffee: Jana Phillips, Daniel Vines*

## **This Week's Notices**

### **Flowers In Memory**

The flowers on the shrines have been sponsored this week by Ann Cowan in memory of her mother. If you would like to sponsor the flowers on a particular Sunday in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the list in the narthex. Donations can be made by cash, cheque or card reader.

### **Summer Fayre**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Fayre yesterday, either by helping, donating or spending. These events are so important both financially and to help open up to our community. We will update you next week on the total raised.

### **Gifts for Year 2 School Leavers**

The children so loved the St Nicolas keyrings that we gave them last year that we have decided to give this year's leavers the same gift. If you would like to 'buy a keyring' for one of our children leaving St Nicolas' this summer, they cost £5. Please see Fr Neil or Patrick.

### **Hymns & Pimms – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July @ 5.30pm**

What is your favourite hymn? We are looking for your suggestions that we can all enjoy singing together whilst enjoying a glass of Pimms or fruit punch. Please email [parishoffice@saintnics.com](mailto:parishoffice@saintnics.com) with your favourite hymn and what it means to you (or pop a note in an envelope and hand to Fr Neil). Perhaps you also have a favourite piece that could be played for us all to enjoy. We will be taking a collection for The Living Organ Project

### **Holiday Club**

You will see the notice for Holiday Club and Nicky asks if there is anybody who would be willing to help. There are many ways you can do this – and it doesn't have to be everyday. You will need a DBS check carried out, so please let us know as soon as possible if we need to apply for you.

Could you come to help prepare and serve the refreshments? (squash and biscuits for the children, strong coffee for the adults!)

Could you help at our craft prep session on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July? (cutting out etc)

Could you help with a group of children one or two mornings?

Could you make cakes for the children as their snack?

If you can help in any way, please speak to Nicky or Cath or email [missionenabler@saintnics.com](mailto:missionenabler@saintnics.com)

Thank you – it really is good fun!

## Fire Safety

It is important to remind ourselves from time to time of what to do in the case of an emergency, such as a fire.

In the event of a fire being discovered, the priest, a churchwarden or sidesperson would blow a whistle, or make a clear verbal announcement, and then be responsible for calling the emergency services.

The congregation would leave through the nearest fire exit (north porch, the hall via the sacristy, narthex) and make their way to the car park opposite the church (next to the Town Bridge). We would expect people to assist those less mobile. Junior Church leaders would be responsible for exiting with the children, meeting parents in the car park.

The priest, churchwardens or sidespeople would also be aware of anyone not in church, for example in the Parish Centre.

## Salvation Army Foodbank



With rising costs, people need foodbanks even more and people are making fewer donations. The Salvation Army Foodbank is now very low on food. If you are able to support - please select items from the following list and put in the box near the font.

Tinned potatoes - Tinned Veg - Tinned Soup/Cup-a-Soup - Baked beans - Long life milk - Small bottles of squash - Tinned meat (including minced beef, chicken casserole etc) - Pasta sauce/ Curry Sauce/ Pasta bake sauce - Tinned Tomatoes/ Pasata - Crisps - Biscuits - Breakfast bars - Jam/Peanut butter - Tinned Custard / Tinned Rice pudding - Pot Noodles/ InstantNoodles - Toilet Roll - Shower Gel - Shampoo - Deodorant Men & Ladies - Washing up liquid - Cleaning Spray - Washing tablets/ powder - Disposable blue cloths

## Our Good Cause for July is USPG



We have supported USPG for many years, including part of the monies raised by our Monthly Lunches. USPG is the mission agency of the Anglican Church. In partnership with local churches across the world, much of its work addresses the major injustices of the world today associated with gender, climate, migration, the

human rights of indigenous people and inter-religious living. Read more about their many projects around the world work on their website <https://www.uspg.org.uk/>

Donations can be made in the wallbox in the narthex or ask to use the card reader.

## North Guildford Food Bank

North Guildford Food Bank is looking to appoint an experienced Manager to run the operational activities of our local food bank, provided day-to-day support with the running of the service and help deliver the strategic direction.

Salary: £32,000 FTE, pro rata

Working pattern: Part-Time, 30 hours per week with core hours of 10am to 3:30pm (Monday to Friday)

To find out more about the role, please email [recruitment@ngfoodbank.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@ngfoodbank.co.uk) for the job description or check out their website [northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk](http://northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk)

The application window will close on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

### Support

To support either the Good Cause or St Nicolas' Church, please make a bank transfer using the details below and use the reference 'Good Cause' or 'St Nicolas'. Thank you.

PCC of St Nicolas      Sort Code: 60-09-21      Account No: 59904003

We are members of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), designed to support churches to fund their mission and ministry. The service allows you to:

- Give One-Off amounts by Credit/Debit cards and Apple/Google pay wallets
- Give monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit
- Sign up to inflation-linked giving annually
- Enhance your gift by having Gift Aid at 25% added to your giving
- Give securely and donate anonymously, if you prefer

Scan the QR Code which will take you direct to our page on their website

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/guildford-st-nicolas-guildford/>



Existing contributors can now easily activate their account and manage their account online too <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/my-pgs/>

## The Living Organ Project

As you will no doubt be aware, the PCC have endorsed a vision to rescue our Fr Willis organ. Over the years a great deal of money has been spent on the instrument and we are now at a stage in its life where we have to make a decision as to its survival. We have two options.

We can either replace the current organ with an electronic instrument or we can restore the current instrument.

After careful consideration, the PCC have suggested we opt for Plan 2. The understanding is that no money for this will be provided by the PCC funds nor the Dorothy Grover Trust. This is important. The organ not only enriches our worship but it is, chiefly, as is the building, of wider public benefit. To that end, the PCC on my recommendation has established the *Living Organ Project* group and under their convenor, Phil (our new Deputy Warden), we have:

- (i) **commissioned a report** to discover the extent of the work required for restoration. It was written by an internationally renowned Organ expert, the former Rector Chori of Southwell. If you are interested in reading this report, please do speak with Rick, our DoM.;
- (ii) begun to have **costings** the work of this restoration;
- (iii) begun to determine **how we might raise the money** for this restoration.

I am indebted to Phil (Deputy Warden) for his work as Convenor of this group.

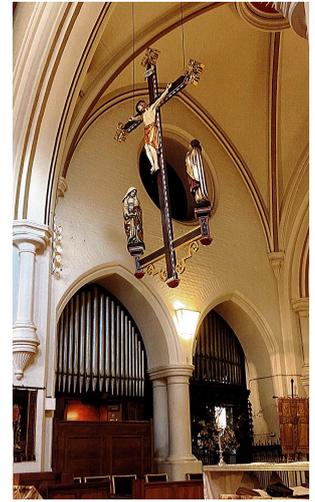
So what?

### **The Rector now needs your thoughts.**

I would like you to write and let me know whether you think we are on the right tracks. Do you think we (the PCC and I) are right to work via the group to restore the organ? If you do, then I need your ideas **HOW** we are to do this.

Do remember, that this is not a fund raising exercise for the parish - no money from PCC nor DGT will fund this restoration. But we would all need to be involved and support it. So I would welcome your views, but more importantly, your vision - who might help us? How can we achieve raising what will be in the region of £250,000 - £300,000. The costing reports will confirm the exact figures, but with some degree of flexibility for a future fund, we are likely to be looking in this region. We can match fund and crowd fund, but I want to know what you think about if and how we can do this. **Responses please by this Sunday.**

*Many thanks for any of your thoughts on this. Fr Neil*



**Could you spare a morning (or two, or five!) to help at Holiday Club?**

**Could you make cakes for refreshments?**

**Please get in touch with Nicky [missionenabler@saintrnics.com](mailto:missionenabler@saintrnics.com)**

**And book your children in early to be sure of a space!**

**ST NICOLAS GUILDFORD**

**Guildford United Reformed Church**

**JOURNEY THROUGH TIME HOLIDAY CLUB**

For children age 5-10

GAMES - CRAFTS - SONGS - & TIME TRAVEL!

July 24th-28th  
9:30-12pm  
At Guildford United Reformed Church,  
partnered with Saint Nicolas Church

£10 per child for the week

For more information or to sign up please email families worker@guildfordurc.org.uk or pick up a registration form from Saint Nicolas or Guildford URC  
[www.saintrnics.com](http://www.saintrnics.com)  
[www.guildfordurc.org.uk](http://www.guildfordurc.org.uk)

# THIS WEEK

**2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Sunday**

**TRINITY IV**

**8:30 am** Holy Communion (BCP)

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

**6:30 pm** Welcome Mass for Fr Alistair

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am Tuesday Group**

*Speaker: “Ann Clinker – a 19<sup>th</sup> century life”*

**Wednesday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am** Café Play

**12 pm** Mass

**Thursday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**Friday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**from 10:30 am** Coffee in the Hall

**11 am** Mass

**Saturday**

**Sunday**

**TRINITY V**

**10 am** Parish Mass with Junior Church

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

## Parish Office

Tuesday 13:30 – 18:00 \* Thursday 08:30 – 18:00

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