

# Pews News

27 August 2023  
Trinity XII

Welcome  
to Guildford St Nicolas Parish  
Church

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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. Junior Church is back next week! In the meantime, there are children's activities at the back of church.

## 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.

## This week's services, readings & intentions

M		Matt.23:13-22	Augustine
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.23:23-26	Beheading of John the Baptist
W	10:00 Morning Prayer 14:00 Funeral Service for Yvonne Ridge	Matt.23:27-32	John Bunyan
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.24:42-end	Aidan
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Matt.25:1-13	Giles
Sat	12:30 Baptism 16:00-18:00 Messy Church @ GURC	Matt.25:14-30	Martyrs of Papua New Guinea
Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Mass with Junior Church 13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy	John 6:25-35	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving</b>

## Today's Services

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

**10:00 Parish Mass (CW) President & Preacher: The Rector**

**ProceSSIONAL Hymn: 206** Christ is our corner-stone

Mass Setting: Dom Gregory Murray

**Reader:** Gill Williams **Readings:** Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

**Romans 12:1-8**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

**Gradual Hymn: 480** In Christ there is no East or West

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

**Intercessions:** led by Shirley Aston



Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Hong Kong

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our Ecumenical Partners and for those of other faiths and also for God's support for the inter-faith team in their work with the different faith communities.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Greta, Graham, Holly, Anthony, Chrissie, Gordon, Adrian, John, Angela, Joyce and Barbara.

The Year's Mind: Anne Hopkins and Angela Dart.

**Offertory Hymn: 172** Thou art the Christ, O Lord

**Closing Hymn: 72** My faith looks up to thee

**Organ Voluntary:** Heavenly Father, glorious without blemish – Kjell Mørk Karlsen

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## Live Streaming Links

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

10am Parish Mass: <https://youtube.com/live/7HGQ3RiaELg>

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



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## This Week / Next Week

**This Week** 27 August

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

On Duty @ 10am

*Reader: Gill Williams*

*Intercessor: Shirley Aston*

*Sidespeople: Cath Anderson, Sally Lowe*

*Coffee: Iain Ferguson, Rory Fenner*

**Next Week** 3 September

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

On Duty @ 10am

*Reader: John Vines*

*Intercessor: Catherine Ferguson*

*Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew, Rory Fenner*

*Coffee: Lloyd Dunkley, Debs Tizard*

## This Week's Notices

### Harvest Decorations : 3<sup>rd</sup> September

We are hoping to fill the windowsills with flowers and produce and are looking for large jugs – stoneware if possible. If you have any to donate or lend, please bring to church during the week or let the parish office know if you need them collecting. Many thanks.

This Wednesday

**A Toys FAMILY FUN!**

Coffee, tea and cake!

Free of charge, donations welcome

Wednesday August 9th, 2-4pm at Saint Nicolas Church  
Wednesday August 30th, 2-4pm at Guildford URC

games Come and join us for fun activities, crafts, games and refreshments

children must be accompanied by an adult at this event

for more information contact Nicky  
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Guildford United Reformed Church  
**ST NICOLAS GUILDFORD**

### 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/ Instant Noodles - Toilet Roll - Shower Gel - Shampoo - Deodorant Men & Ladies - Washing up liquid - Cleaning Spray - Washing tablets/ powder - Disposable blue cloths

## Our Good Cause for July & August 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.

### 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/>

### Heritage Open Day

We are looking for your help on Heritage Open Day. Not only will we be welcoming visitors to our buildings to see how beautiful they are, we are hosting an art exhibition featuring the works of local artists. At 11am David Greenwood will be giving a talk about Art in British Cathedrals and at 2pm Catherine Ferguson will be giving a talk on the Art in St Nicolas'. We will be serving refreshments throughout the day.

We will need two stewards on duty throughout the day. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Please consider signing up for an hour or so.



# St. Nicolas HERITAGE

## Open Day

Bury Street  
GU2 4AW

10am until 4pm

9th September  
2023



TALKS... ART IN ST NICOLAS

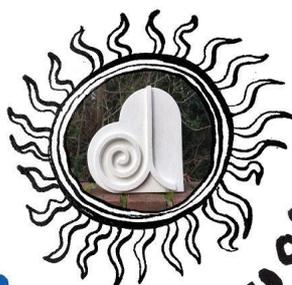
... ART IN BRITISH CATHEDRALS



TOWER TOURS



REFRESHMENTS  
Home made  
cakes



ART  
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# THIS WEEK

**27<sup>th</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023**

**Sunday**

**TRINITY XII**

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

**10 am** Parish Mass

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

**Monday**

**Tuesday** **10 am** Morning Prayer

**Wednesday** **10 am** Morning Prayer

**2 pm** Funeral Service for Yvonne Ridge

**2 – 4 pm** Family Fun afternoon at Guildford URC

**Thursday** **10 am** Morning Prayer

**Friday** **10 am** Morning Prayer

**10:30 am – 12:30 pm** Coffee in the Hall

**11 am** Mass

**Saturday** **12:30 pm** Baptism of Lily Lewis

**4 – 6 pm** Messy Church @ Guildford URC

**Sunday**

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

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

**10 am** Parish Mass with Junior Church

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

**Parish Office**

Friday 08:30 – 18:00

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# Looking Ahead

## **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

**12:30** Baptism

## **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September      HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

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

**10 am** Parish Mass with Junior Church

## **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September      TRINITY XIV**

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

**10 am** Beavers & Cubs Flag Service (not Mass)

**12:30** Baptism

## **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September      BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY**

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

**10 am** Battle of Britain Mass with Junior Church

## **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September      TRINITY XVI**

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

**10 am** Parish Mass (with Ministry of Healing) with Junior Church

## **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October      DEDICATION FESTIVAL**

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

**10 am** Parish Mass with Junior Church followed by lunch  
(ticket details to follow)

**3pm** Choral Evensong

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