

Pews News

24 September 2023
Trinity XVI



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 takes place in the hall, returning at the end of the service to tell us all they've been doing.

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	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 8:16-18	Lancelot Andrewes <i>Sergei of Radonezh</i>
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 8:19-21	<i>Wilson Carlile</i>
W	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 9:1-6	Vincent de Paul Ember Day
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 9:7-9	
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	John 1:47-end	Michael and All Angels
Sat	12:30 Baptism of Francis Sheehan	Luke 9:43b-45	<i>Jerome</i> ; Ember Day
Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Mass with Baptism followed by lunch 13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy	Matt.21:12-16	Dedication Festival

Today's Services

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

10:00 Parish Mass (with Ministry of Healing) : Fr Nick Edwards

Processional Hymn: 401 Light's abode

Mass Setting: Dom Gregory Murray

Reader: Tarina More **Readings:** Jonah 3:10 – 4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, 'O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the LORD said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.' But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the LORD said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

Psalms 145 Response: I will bless your Name forever, my God and King.

Philippians 1:21-30

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well – since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gradual Hymn: 357 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Intercessions: led by Iain Ferguson

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Diocese of Multan in the (united) Church of Pakistan.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Youth, Families and Children's volunteers and workers in our parishes, especially Nicky and for the Head of the Mission Enabler Team and Mission Enabler Youth leader.

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

The Departed: David Goodwin

The Year's Mind: Lettie Gunner, Andrew Neilson, Angela Maureen Sharpin, Winifred Mary Varney, Laurier Lister and Linda Barnes.

Offertory Hymn

Lord, we come to ask your healing, teach us of love;
all unspoken shame revealing, teach us of love.
Take our selfish thoughts and actions, petty feuds, divisive factions,
hear us now to you appealing, teach us of love.

Soothe away our pain and sorrow, hold us in love;
grace we cannot buy or borrow, hold us in love.
Though we see but dark and danger, though we spurn both friend and stranger,
though we often dread tomorrow, hold us in love.



When the bread is raised and broken, fill us with love;
words of consecration spoken, fill us with love.
As our grateful prayers continue, make the faith that we have in you
more than just an empty token, fill us with love.

Help us live for one another, bind us in love;
stranger, neighbour, father, mother - bind us in love.
All are equal at your table, through your Spirit make us able
to embrace as sister, brother, bind us in love.

The Ministry of Healing will take place in the Lady Chapel after the
administration of Holy Communion.

Anthem: Behold now, praise the Lord (Psalm 134) – *Everett Titcomb*

Closing Hymn: 408 Love Divine, all loves excelling

Voluntary: *Allegro ma non trappo*, Concerto Grosso No 5 – *William Boyce*

Live Streaming Links

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

10am Service: <https://youtube.com/live/xS6ZZdZyPO0>

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



This Week / Next Week

This Week 24 September
8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10 am Parish Mass (with Ministry of
Healing) with Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Tarina More

Intercessor: Iain Ferguson

Sidespeople: Sally Lowe, Rory Fenner

Coffee: Lizzie Evans & Sarah Faulkner

Next Week 1 October
8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)
8:30 am Dedication Festival Mass and
Baptism followed by lunch

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Iain Ferguson

Intercessor: Louis Roberts

Sidespeople: Philip Thomas, Daniel Vines

This Week's Notices

Sylvia Jenner

We shall be burying the ashes of our friend Sylvia Jenner after the Parish Mass this morning. We offer our prayers of support to her family and friends.

Flowers in Memory

The shrine flowers have been sponsored this week by Jo Radley, in memory of our dear friend Linda Barnes.

Bring & Buy Coffee Morning & Lunch

In support of

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CANCER SUPPORT**



10:30am - 1:30pm
St Nicolas' Parish Centre



Macmillan Bring & Buy, Coffee Morning & Lunch

Please put this date in your diaries and spread the word to friends and family. There is a box at the back of church for donations of good quality Bring & Buy items and we would appreciate your cakes and bakes for sale on the day. Our monthly lunch will also be served that day, in aid of Macmillan.

We need help please – manning the bring & buy, serving coffee, washing up after lunch etc – please let us know (speak to Cath or email parishoffice@saintnics.com)



Dedication Festival

LAST CHANCE TO GET YOUR TICKETS!

Please see Cath or email the parish office. They are £10 per head to include soft drinks – you are very welcome to bring your own alcohol if you wish.

Choral Evensong will follow at 3pm.



ST NICOLAS
GUILDFORD

Dedication Festival Lunch

Launching our Planned Giving Campaign

Sunday 1st October 2023

£10

John Rutter Concert at the Cathedral – 7:30pm on Saturday 9th December

Linda Sharpin has two tickets for this concert available to purchase if you would like to come along with a group from St Nicolas'. Just let Linda or David know.

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 September is Water Aid



We are supporting WaterAid's Harvest Appeal to bring clean, reliable water to communities around the world who need it most. This helps to ensure that children grow up healthy and strong with

clean water and nourishing food. Read more about their work around the world on their website <https://www.wateraid.org>

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/>

Support our School

If you would like tickets for this school fundraiser, being held in church, please contact the parish office who can arrange to get you tickets. Perhaps you could make up a table with friends?

Hay Fever

David Greenwood and Haslemere Thespians invite you to the weekend from Hell! David is directing "Hay Fever" by Noel Coward, a cross between high farce and a comedy of manners (it has been called a "comedy of bad manners), with perhaps a dash of cruelty thrown in.

The play is set in an English country house in the 1920s, and deals with the four members of the Bliss family and the games they indulge in when they each invite a guest to spend the weekend. The play is a 20th century classic.

The cast is to die for, the set is going to look fantastic and the costumes will be fabulous. With great characters, brilliant dialogue, hilarious set-piece scenes and beautifully-observed human interaction, this is a thoroughbred of a play, a gift from a master of the theatre.

Come and enjoy. Perhaps put a party together. Always more fun in a group.

Tickets may be bought from David or via the Haslemere Hall Box Office - <https://www.haslemerehall.co.uk/theatre/hay-fever/>



WINE & CHEESE EVENING

TICKETS £20 VIA CLASSLIST

TICKET INCLUDES 5 CURATED PAIRINGS



29 SEPTEMBER 2023
7:30PM DOORS OPEN
8PM TASTING STARTS
ST NICOLAS CHURCH

Also available on the night:
Cash bar
Raffle
Mini quiz
Blind tasting challenge

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HAY FEVER

BY NOËL COWARD

THURS 5TH FRI 6TH
& SAT 7TH OCTOBER
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THIS WEEK

24th September – 1st October 2023

Sunday **TRINITY XVI**

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass (with Ministry of Healing)
with Junior Church & Burial of Ashes

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday **10 am** Morning Prayer

Tuesday **10 am** Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group
Paper & pencil quiz – paired participants

Wednesday **10 am** Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

Thursday **10 am** Morning Prayer

Friday **10 am** Morning Prayer

10:30 am – 1:30 pm Macmillan Coffee Morning, Bring &
Buy and Lunch in the Hall

11 am Mass

7:30 pm School Wine & Cheese Evening

Saturday **12:30 pm** Baptism of Francis Sheehan

Sunday **DEDICATION FESTIVAL**

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass (with Ministry of Healing)
with Junior Church & Burial of Ashes

3 pm Choral Evensong

Parish Office

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

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Looking Ahead

Sunday 1st October DEDICATION FESTIVAL

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Baptism

followed by lunch (tickets £10 – on sale now)

3pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 8th October TRINITY XVIII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 15th October ST LUKE

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass for Healing with Junior Church

Sunday 22nd October TRINITY XX

10 am Parish Mass

Sunday 29th October ALL SAINTS

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

Sunday 5th November ALL SOULS

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

6 pm Service to Remember with Candles & Soloists

13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy each Sunday