

Pews News



16 June 2024 Trinity III

Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Parish Mass with Junior Church: Rector

18:00 Choral Evensong with Haslemere Parish
Church Junior Choir

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. Junior Church takes place in the hall during the service and will rejoin us at the end of the service to tell us what they have doing.

Making yourself comfortable

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

This week's services, readings & intentions/parish streets

M		Matt.5:38-42	<i>Samuel and Henrietta Barnett</i> Porridge Pot Alley Portsmouth Road
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.5:43-end	<i>Bernard Mizeki</i> Priory Court Rivermount Gardens
W	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.6:1-6, 16-18	<i>Sundar Singh</i> Rookwood Court Rupert Road
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.6:7-15	Sandy Lane Scholars Walk
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Matt.6:19-23	St Catherine's Drive St Catherine's Hill
Sat		Matt.6:24-end	Alban Stakescorner Road Testard Road

Next Sun 08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) Mark 4:35-end
10:00 Mass with Junior Church

**13:00 Romanian Orthodox
Divine Liturgy**

Trinity IV

Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP): President: Rector

10:00 Parish Mass: President & Preacher: Rector

Processional Hymn 351 Come, ye faithful

Mass Setting: St Anne's Mass – *James MacMillan*

Reader: John Varney **Readings:** Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the LORD have spoken; I will accomplish it.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord – for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Gradual Hymn 315 Word of the Father

Gospel Reading: Mark 4:26-34

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Intercessions Donald Thompson

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Chile.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of St Mary's, Chiddingfold

Those who have asked for our prayers: John Hughes, Fr Adrian, Anne, Elena Volpi, Brian Darbyshire, Chrissie Paterson, Fred Hutley and Robert Brockbank.

The Recently Departed: Derek Marchant.

The Year's Mind: Arthur Reginald Gyatt, Henry Puntis (priest), Mary Anne Fleming, Elsie Oldroyd and Ann Sandra Hackett.

Offertory Hymn 484 The Church's one foundation

Anthem Grant us thy peace – *Felix Mendelssohn*

Final Hymn Almighty God, your word is cast

Almighty God, your word is cast like seed upon the ground,
Now let the dew of heav'n descend and righteous fruits abound.

Let not our selfishness and hate this holy seed remove,
But give it root in every heart to bring forth fruits of love.

Let not the world's deceitful cares the rising plant destroy,
But let it yield a hundred-fold the fruits of peace and joy.

John Cawood, 1775-1832

Live Streaming Links

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

10am Service: <https://youtube.com/live/XraAcVhdc68>

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



This Week / Next Week

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6:30 pm Choral Evensong with
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On Duty @ 10am

Reader: John Varney

Intercessor: Donald Thompson

Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew,
Angela & Francesca Goodwin

Coffee: Peter & Pauline Oldroyd

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8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: John Vines

Intercessor: Shirley Aston

Sidespeople: Iain Ferguson,
Daniel Vines

Coffee: Angela & Francesca Goodwin
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This Week's Notices

Derek Marchant

Derek's funeral will take place at 11am this Tuesday, 18th June at St Peter's Church, Ash Church Road, Ash, GU12 6LU

Ukrainian Icons on Ammunition Boxes

The official launch reception will be held on **Tuesday 18th June from 7pm to 9pm** in church and we shall hear a brief introduction to Icons, their import in worship and their power to direct our prayers as is expressed most clearly in our Orthodox churches. **Please email the parish office so we know how many people to expect.**

There will be public events to accompany the exhibition. Already confirmed is a talk on Friday 28 June at 1.30pm by a Swiss-born iconographer Verena Watson, about 'The process of writing or painting an icon.' The exhibition and the talk are free, but voluntary donations for medical aid to Ukraine will be welcome.

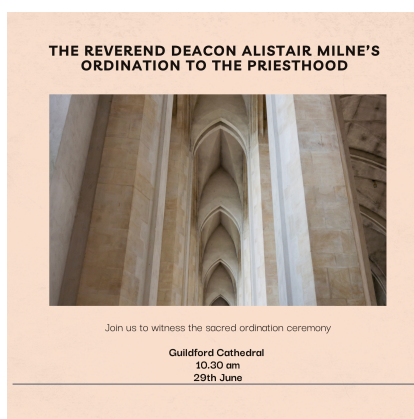
Birthday Celebrations

This month, I celebrate (if that's the right word) a milestone birthday. Not too hard to guess what it is but I'll leave that one to you. So, I hope you will join me in the Parish Centre for a commemorative drink after Mass on Sunday 23 June. *David Greenwood.*

Good Grief Club

A place of comfort and support for the bereaved, the next meet up for the Good Grief Club is on Wednesday 26th June, 2pm at the Cosy Club, Tunsgate.

Ordination Weekend – 29th & 30th June



We have a number of tickets available for Fr Alistair's Ordination on Saturday 29th June. Please let Cath in the parish office know if you would like one. The service will be livestreamed and we will circulate details a day or two before hand once we have them. The order of service will also be on the cathedral website from Wednesday 26th.



On Sunday 30th June at 10:30am, our Ordinand on placement, Clare, will be made Deacon, at the Cathedral. We very much want to support Clare on that Sunday morning and so there will be no 10am Mass but there will be the 830 Prayer Book Communion service if you would like to make your Communion that day in church.



If you would like tickets for the Ordination, please ask Cath in the parish office.

Summer Fayre

Our church Summer Fayre is on Saturday 6th July from 2pm to 4pm. We hope to welcome as many people as possible to our church and Centre buildings, to create a great community atmosphere and to raise important, and much needed, funds for our work in the parish. There are lots of ways that you can contribute:

- publicising the Fayre by taking a poster and putting it up, taking flyers to give to your friends, sharing our social media posts
- helping with setting up / clearing up before and after the Fayre
- helping to man a stall
- donating bottles, prizes for the children's tombola (sweets, chocolate, small toys), good quality bric-a-brac, books, plants and produce, home-made jams and chutneys – boxes will be out next week!
- making cakes



Good Cause

Christian Aid is our Good Cause this month. The focus is the inhumanity of poverty. Together with its partners, Christian Aid is focused on supporting people to push back against poverty to build a better life, eg by providing community-based training so families can set up small businesses and support one another financially, thus building reliable and diverse incomes that bring them food security, better health, safer homes, increased resilience and hope.



Salvation Army Food Bank



We have heard from the food bank that they are ordering food to go with donations to make up 680 food bags to support 15 families from 14 schools over the summer holidays.

Any donations are very welcome but they particularly request: Tinned potatoes, Tinned Veg, Tinned Soup/Cup-a-Soup, Baked

beans, Long life milk, Small bottles of squash, Tinned meat, Tinned meat - minced beef, chicken casserole etc, Pasta sauce/ Curry Sauce/ Pasta bake sauce, Chicken cook in sauce jars, Tinned Tomatoes/ Passata, Crisps, Biscuits, Breakfast bars, Jam/Peanut butter, Tinned Custard/ Tinned Rice pudding, Pot Noodles/ Instant Noodles, Toilet Roll, Shower Gel- Men & Ladies, Shampoo, Deodorant Men & Ladies, Washing up liquid, Cleaning Spray, Washing tables/ powder, Disposable blue cloths

If you are able to support The Salvation Army Food Bank, there is a box near the font for your donations.

Support

To support St Nicolas' Church, please make a bank transfer using the details below and use the reference 'St Nicolas'. Donations to our Good Cause can also be made direct, using the reference 'Good Cause'. 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 & 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/>



Guildford URC and St Nicolas Church

HOLIDAY CLUB

THE NEXT LEVEL

29th July - 2nd August
9:30am - Midday
at
Guildford United Reformed Church
83 Portsmouth Road

For children aged 5-11

Faith based fun including
Crafts - Games - Stories - Songs
as we bring computer games to
life!

For more information or to book your place please
email familiesworker@guildfordurc.org.uk or visit
www.guildfordurc.org.uk

or
www.saintnics.com

Parish Office

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

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Booking Forms at the back of church

Looking Ahead

Sunday 23rd June TRINITY IV

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

Saturday 29th June

10:30 am Fr Alistair's Ordination to the Priesthood at
Guildford Cathedral

Sunday 30th June TRINITY V

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30 am Ordination of Deacons at Guildford Cathedral

Sunday 7th July TRINITY VI

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Fr Alistair's First Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 14th July TRINITY VII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Tuesday 18th June

19:00 – 21:00 Icon Exhibition Launch

Friday 28th June

11:30 – 13:30 Monthly Lunch

13:30 Lunch & Learn: Talk by Verena Watson on 'The process of writing or painting an icon'

Saturday 6th July

14:00 – 16:00 Church Summer Fayre

CURRY & QUESTIONS

Tuesday 10th September

Tuesday 19th November

BEER & BANTER

Tuesday 15th October

THIS WEEK

16th – 23rd June 2024

ICON EXHIBITION OPEN MONDAY – THURSDAY

10:30am-2:30pm

Sunday

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8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

6 pm Choral Evensong with Haslemere Parish Church Junior Choir

Monday

Tuesday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group

Guest Speaker: 'Jenner and his defeat of Smallpox'

7 pm Icon Exhibition Launch Event

Wednesday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

Thursday

10 am Morning Prayer

Friday

10 am Morning Prayer

10:30 am – 12:30 pm Coffee Shop in the hall

11 am Mass

Saturday

7:30 pm Chantry Singers concert

Sunday

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10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy