Pews News



7 July 2024 Trinity VI Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Fr Alistair's First Mass with Junior Church

Welcome to Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church

Rector: Fr Neil Roberts Curate: Fr Alistair Milne 01483 564526 parishoffice@saintnics.com

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 they 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 celebratory refreshments in the hall afterwards.

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

M		Matt.9:18-26	Guildford Park Ave Guildford Park Road
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.9:32-end	Guildown Avenue Guildown Road
W	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt. 10:1-7	Henley Fort, High St Hitherbury Close
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Matt.10:7-15	Benedict Lawn Rd, Ludlow Rd
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Matt. 10:16-23	Madrid Road Mareschael Road
Sat		Matt. 10:24-33	Millmead Millmead Terrace
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Mass, with Junior Church	Mark 4:35-end	Trinity VII

Today's Services

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

10:00 Parish Mass: President: Fr Alistair; Preacher: David Greenwood

See separate Order of Service

Intercessions Jill Sandham

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of Christ Church, Crookham.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Fr Adrian, Anne, Elena Volpi, David Petrie and Glyn Isaac.

The Recently Departed: Robert Brockbank, Morwenna Kennedy and Melanie Forrest.

The Year's Mind: Lawrence Powell, Liddy Gwylliam, Harriet Mengham and Phillip Adams.

Live Streaming Links

Our YouTube livestream: http://youtube.com/@SaintNics
Our Facebook livestream:
https://www.facebook.com/saintnicolasguildford/live/



This Week / Next Week

This Week

8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Fr Alistair's First Mass with
Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Tarina More Intercessor: Jill Sandham

Sidespeople: Peter Oldroyd, Sally Lowe Coffee: Cath Anderson, Rory Fenner

Next Week

8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Mass with Junior
Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Jo Radley

Intercessor: Linda Sharpin

Sidespeople: David Greenwood,

James Wix

Coffee: Helen Gould, Julia Williams

This Week's Notices

Ukrainian Icons on Ammunition Boxes

Dear congregation,

Our exhibition of the Ukrainian "Icons on Ammunition Boxes" finishes this Sunday. By the end of this final week, it is likely to bring around 300 new people inside the walls of St Nicolas and raise about £1300 from the generous donations, including many from yourselves. Several of you have said how good it would be to have one of these fine icons for our church, and I agree.

Yana Bobrova, the Chair of the Rotary Club Kyiv Capital has made us an offer in recognition of the effort we have put into hosting this exhibition. She suggests that we count the money raised from the donations, i.e. about £1300, towards the cost of an icon, and in addition use the 20% discount that has been offered on purchases during the exhibition. This means that we could have one of the smaller "Mother or God" icons for around £540 instead of the £2300 shown in the price list and it would fit in well in the Lady Chapel. Under these terms, the large icon of St Nicolas would cost us £5100 instead of the £8000 shown in the price list.

Please come and have another look at the exhibition, and if any of you are willing to make a financial contribution to this cause, please let me know by Sunday.

Fr Neil

School Leavers' Gifts

As the children leave our infant school, we like to give them something to remember St Nicolas' and to remind them of the bond that we have built up with them and wish to continue. We plan to give them a St Nicolas keyring that they can put on their school rucksack. We have done this in previous years and it has proved very popular. They cost about £5 each and if you would like to contribute towards one/some, we would be very grateful to receive it. Thank you.

Summer Fayre

Thank you to everyone who supported the Fayre yesterday. We will update you next week on how much we raised.

Glastonbury Pilgrimage – next Saturday

This is always a super day out with Mass at noon in the beautiful abbey grounds, but it should be really special this year as the Centenary is being marked with Rowan Williams, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, preaching. Lifts will be available and we plan to leave about 8:30am, getting home around 9pm. If you are interested, please call Philip Hooper on 01483 537789.

Good Cause

Our Good Cause for July & August is USPG, who we have supported for many years. Each week we will highlight a different project that they support around the world.



An HIV Stigma Reduction Programme was launched by Anglican churches in Zimbabwe as a means of tackling the stigma surrounding HIV, welcoming people and offering them practical support. One of the programme's positive

outcomes was an increase in the number of people coming forward to find out what their HIV status was, helping them make informed decisions. Churches were able to show these people where they could receive medication or advice on their diets and also ran wellness groups.

Donations can be made in cash in the wallbox in the narthex, direct to our bank account (see following page for details) or please ask to use the card reader.

Salvation Army Food Bank



The food bank are making 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.

Scam Alert

One of our congregation reports that the caller pretends to be from BT, calling about your phone bill and offering a 35% discount as a reward for your loyalty. They ask you for the final 10 digits of your debit card number (they say they have the first 6 digits), saying that this is to avoid doubled-billing. They are very persistent and insist that they aren't asking for sort codes and account numbers and give a phone number to call to check their validity. A BT operator later confirmed that this is a scam.

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/

Looking Ahead

Sunday 14th July TRINITY VII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 21st July TRINITY VIII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass, followed by burial of Rosemary Crow's ashes

Tuesday 23rd July

9:30 am School Leavers' Service

Sunday 28th July TRINITY IX

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

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YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Friday 26th July

11:30 – 13:30 Monthly Lunch

Friday 27th September

10:30 - 13:30 Macmillan Coffee Morning

CURRY & QUESTIONS

Tuesday 10th September

Tuesday 19th November

BEER & BANTER

Tuesday 30th July

Tuesday 17th September

Tuesday 15th October

Tuesday 12th November

Tuesday 10th December

THIS WEEK

7th - I4th July 2024

Sunday TRINITY VI

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Fr Alistair's First Mass with Junior Church

Monday

Tuesday IO am Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group - Novelty Bingo

Wednesday 10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

Thursday IO am Morning Prayer

Friday IO am Morning Prayer

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

II am Mass

Saturday

Sunday TRINITY VII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

I pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Parish Office

Tuesday 13:30 – 18:00 * Thursday 08:30 – 18:00 * office closed on Friday www.saintnics.com parishoffice@saintnics.com 01483 564526