

## Today's Mass Notices

### Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about them making noise or moving around – you are here and are welcome. Junior Church is happening in the hall this morning - there are Happy Bags at the back of church to amuse them until then.

### Making yourself comfortable

You can choose whether or not to wear a mask in church. If you wish to continue to do so and/or to distance yourself from others, we would suggest that the seats on the Lady Chapel aisle are most suitable. Toilets are available throughout the service in the Parish Centre. Coffee will be served in the Parish Centre after the service.

### Live Streaming Links

Our YouTube livestream:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBbhCEI7hIqKWY\\_25OHHGpg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBbhCEI7hIqKWY_25OHHGpg)

10am Mass: <https://youtu.be/sqwy8nDnr5A>

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

If you don't wish to appear on screen, please sit on the Lady Chapel side.

### Music

Processional hymn: **338**

Mass Setting: (choir) *Ralph Vaughan Williams in g minor*

Gradual hymn: **42 I**

Offertory hymn: **295**

Anthem: Father, all holy – *Charles Wood*

Final hymn: **43 I**

Voluntary: Prelude on Hyfrydol - *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Anthem Text:

*Father, all holy, merciful and tender: Son coeternal, worthy to be praised;*

*Spirit of comfort, fount of loving kindness; God everlasting.*

*Father, all-holy; Trinity holy, Unity unchanging; Goodness unbounded;*

*Very God of heaven; Light of the Angels; Refuge of the friendless; Hope universal.*

*All thy works hymn thee; all thy Saints adore thee;*

*They for thy pleasure are, and were created;*

*Now, while we also worship thee devoutly, Hear thou our voices.*

*Thine be the glory, Deity Almighty, One in Three Persons, Monarch in the highest;*

*Glory and honour, song and praise beseech thee Now and forever. Amen.*

## **This Morning's Music**

To augment our own choir today we welcome four visiting members of Reid Consort, a chamber choir of professional singers from central Scotland. The additional voices illustrate how our worship of God is further enriched by an ensemble singing in eight parts. We observe the sesquicentennial of the birth of Surrey-based Ralph Vaughan-Williams (1872-1958) in using his double-choir Mass in g minor, dating from 1922. One of RVW's teachers at Cambridge was Charles Wood (1866-1926), who wrote the double-choir anthem sung during communion today.

## **Readings**

### **Acts 16:9-15**

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

### **John 5:1-9**

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids – blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?' The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.' Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.' At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

## **Banns of Marriage**

This morning we call the Banns of Marriage of Elliot John Harding & Emma Elizabeth Crewe to be married in Barkham in June; and of Michael Charles Lewis & Philippa Anne Hackett to be married here in July. Please pray for them as they prepare for their weddings.

## **The Year's Mind falling this week**

Elizabeth Mary Long, Egbert De Grey Lucas (priest) and Lucille Anna Lobb.

## Ascension Day

There will be a Mass at 8pm on **Ascension Day, this Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May**. Please make sure you have this date in your diary.

If you are not able to be with us in person it will be livestreamed as follows:

Our YouTube livestream:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBbhCEI7hlqKWy\\_25OHHGpg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBbhCEI7hlqKWy_25OHHGpg)

10am Mass: <https://youtu.be/T0HWzXsLqRA>

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

## Looking Ahead

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Mass at 11am (no coffee shop).

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June: Corpus Christi Mass at 7pm followed by cheese & wine

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 11am – 4pm: Summer Fayre in the Church and Parish Centre. We shall soon be calling for your donations of books, bric-a-brac, cakes etc.

## Corpus Christi

At this year's celebration of Corpus Christi we will be joined by the Cathedral community and Cathedral choir at 7 o'clock for Mass. Please make every effort to attend this important and defining celebration of the Anglo catholic tradition. Cheese and wine will follow this celebration where we are able to welcome into our community the cathedral Dean, choir and congregation. It promises to be an especially important and holy celebration. *Fr Neil*

## The Walsingham Cell

The Walsingham Cell has been re-born, Alleluia - in the month of Our Lady and in Eastertide! Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Cell is a means of remaining in touch with Walsingham and to remain faithful to our promises to pray with Our Lady of Walsingham in Christ's name, for the church and for the world. It is a beautiful opportunity for fellowship, too. If you would like to join the Cell, this means agreeing to a Rule of Life (to pray daily) and to join the Cell for Mass three times a year, offering the Mass intention in the name of Our Lady, to attend Walsingham annually on pilgrimage and to attend Mass on the Annunciation and Corpus Christi.

Philip and Andrew have kindly agreed to co-ordinate the meetings and we, as a cell, will offer Mass in Our Lady's Chapel at St Nicolas three times a year and then go off for fish and chips! Now, if that doesn't tempt you, I know not what will! For the next two cell meetings we shall explore our Rule of Life, then the power of the Rosary and then in our third Mass we shall explore

what we understand by the Joyful Mysteries. If you have any questions, do ask Andrew and Philip or myself! *Fr Neil*

### Notices for the week

#### **This week's services, readings & intentions**

M		John 15:26-16:4	Rogation Day
T	09:30 Morning Prayer	John 16:5-11	John & Charles Wesley Rogation Day
W	09:30 Morning Prayer 12:00 Angelus & Mass	John 16:12-15	The Venerable Bede <i>Aldhelm</i> Rogation Day
T	09:30 Morning Prayer 20:00 Mass	Luke 24:44-end	<b>Ascension Day</b>
F	09:30 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass 12:00 Angelus	John 16:20-23	
Sat	10:30 Baptism	John 16:23-28	<i>Lanfranc</i>
Sun	08:30 Prayer Book Mass 10:00 Sung Mass & Junior Church	John 20:19-end	<b>Easter VII</b>

#### **Salvation Army Foodbank**

Your donations of tinned and packet foods continue to be much appreciated

#### **Good Cause for May – Open Doors**



**Open Doors**  
Serving persecuted Christians worldwide

Open Doors originated in 1955, when a young Dutchman started smuggling Bibles to the persecuted church in Communist Europe. His work led to more than six

decades of support for the persecuted church.

Every day, millions of Christians risk their lives to follow Jesus. In more than 60 countries, Open Doors supports them by supplying Bibles, providing emergency relief and helping persecuted believers stand strong for the long-term. In the UK and Ireland, Open Doors helps the church to pray, give and speak out for those who share our faith but not our freedom. They:

- Distribute Bibles and Christian resources so that persecuted believers can be nourished with God's Word.

- Train Christians and church leaders so that they can stand strong for Jesus Christ.
- Support victims of violence and disaster so that they can live independent, fulfilled lives.
- Bring hope to the Middle East so that Christians in the Middle East can live with dignity and hope.
- Support the 'Secret Children' to give them, protection, provision and a Christian education.
- Speak out in Advocacy so that the voice of the persecuted church can be heard.
- Mobilise the church in the UK and Ireland so that persecuted Christians get the support they need.
- Raise awareness and encourage prayer so that persecuted Christians know they are not forgotten.
- Prepare the next generation of supporters so that persecuted Christians can be hopeful about the future.

Please support them by using the card machine, the wallbox or making a bank transfer.

## Support

If you would like to make a bank transfer to support either the Good Cause or St Nicolas' Church, please use 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

## Next Sunday ....

is the Seventh of Easter.



Crowded around the altar, the Cubs & Beavers thoroughly enjoyed last week's service. I wonder if it had something to do with the chocolate!

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# THIS WEEK

22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May

**Sunday**

**EASTER V**

**8:30 am** Prayer Book Mass

**10 am** Mass with Junior Church

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**9:30 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am** Tuesday Group – *Nightingales*

**Wednesday**

**9:30 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am** Café Play

**12 pm** Angelus & Mass

**Thursday**

**9:30 am** Morning Prayer

**8:00 pm** Mass for Ascension Day

**Friday**

**9:30 am** Morning Prayer

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

**11 am** Mass

**11:30 am – 1:30 pm** Monthly Lunch in the Hall

**Saturday**

**10:30 am** Baptism

**Sunday**

**EASTER VI**

**8:30 am** Prayer Book Mass

**10 am** Mass with Junior Church

**Rector: Fr Neil Roberts**

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**Parish Office opening hours:**

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