

Pews News

25 December 2022
Christmas Day

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 on a two-week holiday but will be back on 8th January. In the meantime, children are very welcome to make the most of their area at the back of the church.



Making yourself comfortable

Toilets in the Parish Centre are available throughout the service. Coffee after church returns on 8th January.

This Week / Next Week

This Week

10 am Christmas Day Mass

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10 am Mass

Live Streaming Links

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

10am Christmas Day Mass: <https://youtu.be/8eQQiYiKNks>

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

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

Music

Processional Hymn: **30 (vrs 1-2, 5-7)** *O come, all ye faithful*

Mass Setting: Dom Gregory Murray

Gradual Hymn: **39 (omit vrs 3)** *Unto us a boy is born*

Offertory Hymn: **32 (omit vrs 4)** *O little town of Bethlehem*

Final Hymn: **25** *God rest you merry, gentlemen*

Voluntary: Noel: Josef est bien Marie – *Claude Louis Balbastre*

Readings

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.' Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the LORD to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of

Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

The Year's Mind falling this week

Peter Nicholson, Robin Hind, Francis Durrant (priest), Jack Holwill, Alan Baddeley, Anthony Tye and Vera Gyatt.

Notices for the week

This week's services, readings & intentions

M	Matt.10:17-22	Stephen
T	John 21:19b-end	John
W	Matt.2:13-18	The Holy Innocents
T	Luke 2:22-35	Thomas Becket
F	Luke 2:36-40	
Sat	John 1:1-18	<i>John Wyclif</i>
Sun 10:00 Mass	Luke 2:15-21	Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

Flowers

Thank you to the team for the beautiful flowers and to everyone who made donations. We thank Daniel Lowe for the Christmas tree that he kindly donated.

Chairs

We have now received the faculty to replace the church chairs and have placed the order. To offset the cost, we are selling the existing chairs. If you are interested in any, please speak to Darrol or Cath.

Salvation Army Foodbank



The Salvation Army are so grateful for all the donations they receive – there is a box for them at the back of church near the font. This is helping them to reach out and provide for the community in need.

Our Good Cause for December and January is The Children's Society



Every young person deserves a good childhood. That's why The Children's Society fight for the hope and happiness of young people when it's threatened by abuse, exploitation and neglect. Their goal and vision are built around the hopes of young people, to achieve long-lasting change.

£5 could pay for a hot meal, shower and living essentials for a young runaway.

£10 could pay for a frontline worker's phone for a month so children in danger can contact them.

£20 could pay for a family to attend mediation sessions for a month to resolve conflict at home.

Visit the website for more information about their work.
<https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

Donations can be made in the wallbox in the narthex or ask to use the card reader. We will be supporting

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

THIS WEEK

25th December – 1st January

Sunday

CHRISTMAS DAY

10 am Christmas Day Mass

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

NAMING & CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS

10 am Mass

Rector: Fr Neil Roberts

01483 504895 rector@saintnics.com

Parish Office

Closed this week – open again on Thursday 5th January

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