

Pews News

**3 September 2023
Harvest
Thanksgiving**



**Welcome to
Guildford St Nicolas
Parish Church**

**Rector: Fr Neil
Roberts**

**Curate: Fr Alistair
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Junior Church is back today!

Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about them making noise or moving around – you are here and are welcome. Junior Church is back! The children will go out for activities in the hall, returning this week in time for the Offertory.

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 4:16-30	<i>Birinus</i>
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 4:31-37	
W	10:00 Morning Prayer 12:00 Mass	Luke 4:38-end	<i>Allen Gardiner</i>
T	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 5:1-11	
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Luke 5:33-end	Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat		Luke 6:1-5	<i>Charles Fuge Lowder</i>
Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Flag Service with Beavers and Cubs (not a Mass) 13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy	Matt.18:15-20	Trinity XIV

Today's Services

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

10:00 Harvest Sunday Mass (CW) President: The Rector

Preacher: David Greenwood

ProceSSIONal Hymn: 259 Come, ye thankful people, come

Mass Setting: Dom Gregory Murray

Reader: John Vines **Readings:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gradual Hymn: 261 To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise

Gospel Reading: John 6:25-35

When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, the crowd said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me,

not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to Jesus, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

Intercessions: led by Catherine Ferguson



Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Diocese of Mississippi

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Bishop Andrew, Archdeacons Martin and Paul and their staff that they may transform the lives of those in this diocese into a closer relationship with God .

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

The Year's Mind: Lydia Clee, Doris Peta Greig, Arthur Rawlings and Thomas Allen (priest).

Offertory Hymn: 262 We plough the fields, and scatter

Communion Music: Thou visitest the earth – *Maurice Greene*

Closing Hymn: 493 Rejoice, O land

Organ Voluntary: Choral Fantasia on Nun Danket – *Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

Live Streaming Links

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

10am Parish Mass: <https://youtube.com/live/hMOo40m0nq8>

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



This Week / Next Week

This Week 3 September
8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10 am Harvest Sunday Mass

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: John Vines

Intercessor: Catherine Ferguson

Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew,
Rory Fenner

Coffee: Lloyd Dunkley, Debs Tizard

Next Week 10 September
8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10 am Flag Service for Beavers & Cubs

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Scouting Parent

Intercessor: Cath Anderson

Sidespeople: David Greenwood,
Gill Williams

Coffee: Patrick Andrew, Ken Baker

This Week's Notices

Harvest Decorations

We thank Caroline for organizing the harvest decorations. The church looks beautiful!

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/ Instant Noodles - 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



WaterAid

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/>

Heritage Open Day – NEXT SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

10am – 4pm

- 11am: David Greenwood will give an illustrate talk about Art in British Cathedrals
- 2pm: Historian Dr Catherine Ferguson will give a guided tour of Art in St Nicolas', including the Loseley Chapel
- All day: Multi-discipline Art exhibition of Surrey artists
 - Refreshments served all day
- Tower Tours at 10:30am and 11:30am – please book by emailing parishoffice@saintnics.com



We still need stewards on duty throughout the day. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Please consider signing up for an hour or so.





McMillan Bring & Buy, Coffee Morning & Lunch – Friday 29th September

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 McMillan.

Walsingham Cell Mass

The next Walsingham Cell Mass is on Thursday 14th September at 7:30pm. Fish & chips are usually ordered for after the service so please have a word with Philip Hooper if you intend to come.

Beer & Banter – Thursday 21st September

Gentlemen, the next session of Beer & Banter will be at 7:30pm on Thursday 21st September.

Dedication Festival – Sunday 1st October

Tickets for the Dedication Festival Lunch go on sale next week. They will be priced at £10 per head to include soft drinks – you are very welcome to bring your own alcohol if you wish.

Parish Office

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

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THIS WEEK

3rd – 10th September 2023

Sunday HARVEST THANKSGIVING

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday 10 am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group

Patchwork History of Guildford

Wednesday 10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

12 pm Mass

Thursday 10 am Morning Prayer

Friday 10 am Morning Prayer

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

11 am Mass

Saturday HERITAGE OPEN DAY & ART EXHIBITION

10am – 4pm Church open

Sunday TRINITY XIV

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Flag Service with Beavers & Cubs

11:15 am Baptism of Hudson Lavender

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Looking Ahead

Sunday 10th September TRINITY XIV

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Beavers & Cubs Flag Service (not Mass)

11:15 Baptism

Sunday 17th September BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Battle of Britain Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 24th September TRINITY XVI

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

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

Sunday 1st October DEDICATION FESTIVAL

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church followed by lunch
(tickets £10 – on sale from 10th September)

3pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 8th October TRINITY XVIII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy each Sunday