

Pews News



24 March 2024 Palm Sunday

Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP): Rector
10:00 School Sunday – Palm Sunday Procession
of Palms & Mass with Junior Church with
GURC; Rector

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 – you are here and are welcome. Junior Church will be going out to the hall (and to the garden to see the donkey!) during the service and rejoin us later.

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	10:00 Morning Prayer 20:00 Mass	John 12:1-11	The Valley Turnham Close
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer 20:00 Mass	John 12:20-36	Upper Guildown Rd Upperton Road
W	09:30 School Easter Service 20:00 Mass	John 13:21-32	Walnut Tree Close West Mount
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer 20:00 Mass of the Last Supper	John 13:1-17, 31b-35	Maundy Thursday Wherwell Road Wodeland Avenue
F	07:00 Morning Prayer 13:00 Adoration of the Cross	John 18:1-end of 19	Good Friday
Sat	19:30 First Mass of Easter	Mark 16:1-8	Easter Eve
Next Sun	10:00 Mass with Junior Church 13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy	John 20:1-18	EASTER DAY

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death, even the death of the Cross.

Wherefore God also hath exalted Him,
and hath given Him a Name which is above every name.

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of West Africa.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of St Mary's and St John's, Walton-on-Thames

Those who have asked for our prayers: Greta, Graham Henderson, Holly Gregory, Anthony Drake, Lena Harding, Fr Adrian, Chrissie & Gordon Paterson, Joyce, Anne, John West, Celia Chapman, Melanie Forrest and Debbie Nobbs.

The Recently Departed: Jennifer Nicholas and John Kerry.

The Year's Mind: Percy Reginald Lobb (Rector), David Worthy, Brian Taylor (Rector), Iain Davidson, Derek Sayer (priest), Robert Stares and Hilary Elston.

Live Streaming Links

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

10am Service: <https://youtube.com/live/5HCV4GZbBtE>

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



This Week / Next Week

This Week 24 March

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am School Sunday – Joint

Service with URC with Junior

Church – procession from GURC

On Duty @ 10am

*Readers: David Greenwood,
Fr Alistair, Jill Sandham*

Intercessor: Ruth Vanni

*Sidespeople: Iain Ferguson, Patrick
Andrew & Gill Williams*

Coffee: Lloyd Dunkley, Cath Anderson

Next Week 31 March

10 am Easter Day Mass with
Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Shirley Aston

Intercessor: Linda Sharpin

*Sidespeople, Iain Ferguson,
Sally Lowe*

Coffee: Peter & Pauline Oldroyd

This Week's Notices

Can you help our school?

The school are holding their Easter service here on Wednesday morning and need people to help walk the children down to church and back afterwards. You would need to be at school at about 9am. It is so important that we can make this happen, to maintain our strong connection with the school community and to welcome them to their church. If you can help, please speak to Fr Neil TODAY!

Maundy Thursday watch

There are still a lot of gaps on the Watch rota. We traditionally keep watch through the night, but need to ensure that there are at least two people in church at any time. So please sign up on the list TODAY!

Bring your Bells....

.... on Holy Saturday and Easter Day when we will all ring out.

Flowers

We would welcome your donations towards the cost of the Easter flowers. You may like to give in memory of a loved one who is no longer with us. Please hand any donations to Fr Neil, Cath or Patrick.

And If you would like to sponsor the flowers on a particular Sunday during the year, in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the list in the narthex. Donations can be made by cash, cheque or card reader.

Guildford URC monthly morning walk

The next walk is pencilled in for 10:00 on Wed 27 March, subject to enough participants and a suitable weather forecast. If 27 March proves unpopular, an alternative could be Easter Monday 1 April. The walk is likely to be from the Olde Ship Inn at St.Cath's for walking on the Hogs Back, but it could be from a pub in Bramley for walking part of the old Cranleigh railway line. It's hoped that neither of these would be too muddy. We would go for an optional pub lunch after the walk. If anyone would like to join the walk or receive more details about this or future walks, once these are decided, please contact the GURC walks organiser Trevor Jones at htjones.raildev@gmail.com .

Our Good Cause for Lent is the Bishop of Guildford's Communities Fund Lent Appeal

Lent Appeal 2024



Bishop Andrew writes: “The last few years have been a very challenging time for many in our communities, faced as they are with the continuing impact of the cost-of-living crisis and the psychological scarring of the Covid pandemic. In my weekly travels around the Diocese, I have been impressed time and again by the many ways in which our

churches and schools have been looking to respond – but have also noticed an increasing gap between the needs of the communities and the ability of churches to respond to them. Both finances and volunteers can end up stretched very thinly. The Bishop of Guildford’s Communities Fund is there to help bridge that gap, providing grants to support parishes and other church-linked organisations to reach out into the most challenged parts of our communities with the love of Christ. Last year we made six grants totaling £21,000 to different projects throughout the diocese”.

Read more about the Fund on the Guildford Diocese website <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/mission/growing-community/bishop-of-guildfords-communities-fund/bishop-of-guildfords-communities-fund> and please support this very good cause. Donations can be made in the wallbox in the narthex or please 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
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- Scan the 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/>



Holy Week

Monday, Tuesday &
Wednesday
8pm Mass

Maundy Thursday
8pm Mass & Watch

Good Friday
1pm Liturgy of Good
Friday

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LIVE 

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Services will be livestreamed on:

Maundy Thursday

Good Friday

Holy Saturday

Easter Day

Easter

Holy Saturday
7.30pm
Easter Vigil &
First Mass of Easter

Easter Day
10am
Mass with Junior Church
& Easter Egg Hunt

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YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Friday 26th April

11:30 – 13:30 Monthly Lunch

CURRY & QUESTIONS

Tuesday 23rd April

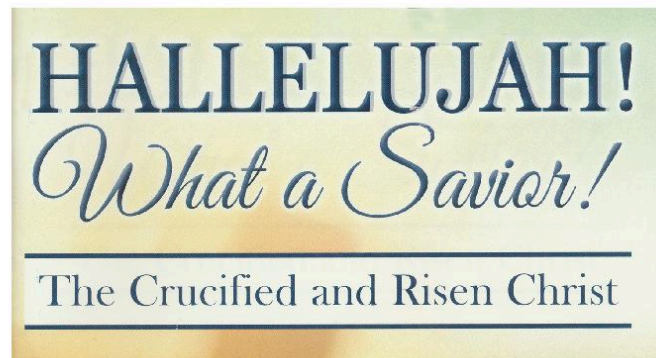
Tuesday 10th September

Tuesday 19th November

BEER & BANTER

Tuesday 4th June

Tuesday 15th October



(not a spelling mistake – it's American!)

An Easter Celebration
with
Guildford u3a choir
at
St Nicolas Church,
Bury Street, Guildford
on
Wednesday 27 March 2024
at 2.00pm.



Entry is free, but there will be a retiring collection



SATURDAY

13TH APRIL

4-6PM

EASTER

at St Nicolas Church, Bury Street, GU2 4AW

Faith based fun as we reflect on Easter.

Followed by tea for everyone.

*Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer for the duration of this event

THIS IS A FREE EVENT.

**DONATIONS ARE
WELCOME.**

FOOD

FUN

SONGS

STORY

CRAFT

GAMES

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Reformed
Church**

For more information contact Nicky on families.worker@guildfordurc.org.uk
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HOLY WEEK

24th – 31st March 2024

Sunday **PALM SUNDAY**

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am School Sunday – Joint Service with Junior Church
Procession led by donkey from GURC to St Nicolas'

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday **10 am** Morning Prayer

8 pm Mass

Tuesday **10 am** Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group – *Easter Time Paper Craft for All*

8 pm Mass

Wednesday **9:30 am** School Easter Service

10 am Café Play

2 pm Guildford u3a Choir Easter Celebration

8 pm Mass

Thursday **10 am** Morning Prayer

8 pm Mass of the Last Supper & Stripping of the Altars
followed by the Vigil

Friday **7 am** Morning Prayer

1 pm Adoration of the Cross

Saturday **7:30 pm** First Mass of Easter

Sunday **EASTER DAY**

10 am Easter Sunday Mass with Junior Church and an Easter
Egg Hunt for the children

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Parish Office

Tuesday 13:30 – 18:00

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