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Dedication Festival Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP): Rector 10:00 Parish Mass: Rector

Welcome to Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church **Curate: Fr Alistair Milne Rector: Fr Neil Roberts**

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Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about them making noise or moving around. There are lots of activities to keep them amused in their area at the back of church.

Making yourself comfortable

Kneelers can be found in the narthex or under the back pews. Toilets are in the Parish Centre - if you need to use them during the service, a sidesman will unlock the Centre for you. Please join us for coffee in the Parish Centre afterwards. Lunch will be served after coffee.

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

Th F Sat	10:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass 16:00 Messy Church Light	Luke 13:31-end Luke 14:1-6	Annandale Road Artington Walk Commemoration of
Jac	Party	11	the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) Beech Lane, Bury St Buryfields
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Mass	Mark 10:35-45	All Saints'

15:00 Commemoration of the

Faithful Departed

13:00 Romanian Orthodox

Divine Liturgy

Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Parish Mass: President & Preacher - Rector

Processional Hymn 205 Christ is made the sure foundation

Gloria: Dom Gregory Murray

Reader: John Hutchinson Readings: Revelation 21:9-14

One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, 'Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.' And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I Peter 2:1-10

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,' and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Gradual Hymn 477 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

Gospel Reading: John 10:22-29

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.'

Intercessions Jill Sandham

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church.

Diocese: Epsom College.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Anne, Margaret Colville, Rupert Williams, Anthony Drake, Holly Gregory, Philip Rawlings, Elena and Edward Wild.

The recently departed: Mary Cornwell, Audrey Humphries, Colin Clive Parker and Fred Hutley.

The Year's Mind: Helen Conway, Vicky Donnelly, David Kirkby, David Seth-Smith, Richard Rhydderch and John Finch.

Offertory Hymn 484 The Church's one foundation

Mass setting: (choir) Messe Basse – Gabriel Fauré

Anthem: O how amiable – Ralph Vaughan Williams

Voluntary: Fanfare, Sixth Double Organ Concerto – Antonio Soler

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 Parish Mass

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: John Hutchinson Intercessor: Jill Sandham Chalice: Catherine Ferguson

Sidespeople: Iain Ferguson, Sally Lowe

Coffee: Cath Anderson, Jo Radley

Next Week

8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Mass

3pm Commemoration of the Faithful

Departed

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: John Varney Intercessor: Rory Fenner Chalice: Jana Phillips

Sidespeople: Philip Thomas, Daniel Vines

Coffee: Pauline May, Monica Pino

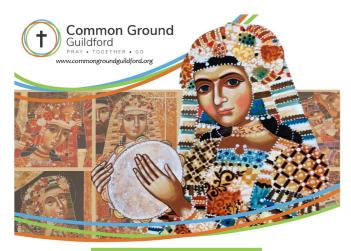
This Week's Notices

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – next Sunday, 3rd November at 3pm

If you would like your loved ones remembered at this service, please write their names on the list at the back of church. If you can't make it to church, please email the names to the parish office parishoffice@saintnics.com

Preparing for Advent

Advent is all about getting ready – and we want you to be ready for all that is planned for the Advent season. There will be a series of Bible studies on Fridays after coffee and we will be launching our Stewardship campaign on Advent Sunday. We also want to deliver Christmas service leaflets to every home in our parish and will need your help. There will be a list of roads which we will be asking you to sign up to undertake deliveries.



EXTRAORDINARYWOMEN OF THE BIBLE

A Celebration of Faith, Courage and Wisdom centred on 7 stunning icon-like paintings

THE ARTIST, SILVIA DIMITROVA

- explores the art of icons
- · speaks of the inspiration
- explains the techniques

14.30 – 16.00 Thursday 31 October St Mary's Church Quarry St Guildford GU1 3UP



The Longest Yarn – Royal Garrison Church, Aldershot I-18 November

The Longest Yarn is an 80 metre 3D depiction of that fateful day - 6 June 1944, in wool art. With 80 displays, each measuring I metre in length, it depicts scenes of the world's largest amphibious invasion by Allied Forces. The Longest Yarn is something quite unique and not to be missed. The scenes include: the build up to D-Day in England, the horrors on the landing beaches, and the bloody inland battles.

Carol Singing

Last Christmas, members of our congregation sang carols at the care homes in our parish, giving joy to people who don't necessarily have a lot of it in their lives. We were very well received and we would be welcomed again. We currently have the late afternoons/early evenings of 17th and 18th December penciled in for this. Those who would be willing to join in please

let David Greenwood know either in person or on 07534 328408 or david.greenwood19@btopenworld.com.

Good Grief Club

The next meet up is at 2pm on Wednesday 6th November at The Cosy Club. All who feel they would benefit from this place of comfort and support for the bereaved are very welcome.

Good Cause

Our Good Cause for October is Christian Aid's Harvest Appeal. You can visit the website as detailed in the picture to find out more about their Harvest of hope.

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.

Good Causes for 2025

Do you have a charity that you would like to propose as one of our Good Causes to support in 2025. Please email any suggestions to parishoffice@saintnics.com by Sunday 17th November so that the PCC can consider them at their meeting later that month.





Salvation Army Food Bank

Any donations are very welcome but they particularly request: Tins (Soups, Meat, Corned Beef, Bolognese, Stewing Steak, Ham, Meatballs, Baked Beans, Fruit), Long Life Milk, Crisps Savoury Crackers/Snacks, Biscuits, Squash (small bottles), Cupa-Soup, Jams/Chocolate Spread/ Peanut Butter, Instant Noodles,

Rice, Porridge, Coffee/Tea (small jars/boxes), Hot Chocolate (small jars), Cleaning Spray, Deodorant, Shower Gel, Washing Powder/Liquid/Gel, Shampoo, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Toilet Rolls, Sanitary Wear (no tampons)

If you are able to support The Salvation Army Food Bank, there is a box near the font for your donations.

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/



Safeguarding

St Nicolas' is committed to providing a welcoming, respectful and safe environment for all, including children and adults who may be at risk of abuse and neglect. The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of St Nicolas' Church. If you are concerned that someone is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please contact Jo Radley or Jill Sandham on safeguarding@saintnics.com



The shop will be open after Mass on the following Sundays:

10th November

17th November

24th November

Ist December

(plus Mondays – Saturdays 10am-4pm)

Looking Ahead

Saturday 2nd November

4 – 6 pm Messy Church Light Party

Sunday 3rd November: All Saints

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

3 pm Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Sunday I 0th November: Remembrance Sunday

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Act of Remembrance & Junior
Church with Cubs & Beavers and our friends from
Guildford URC

YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Sunday 27th October

Dedication Festival Lunch following Parish Mass

Friday 29th November, 11:30am - 1:30pm

Monthly Lunch

CURRY & QUESTIONS

Tuesday 19th November

BEER & BANTER

Tuesday 12th November
Tuesday 10th December (social)

FIZZ & FRIENDS

Friday 6th December

Parish Office Opening Hours This Week
Thursday 08:30 – 18:00 * Friday 08:30 – 18:00

www.saintnics.com parishoffice@saintnics.com 01483 564526

THIS WEEK

27th October – 3rd November 2024

Sunday	DEDICATION FESTIVAL
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8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass followed by Lunch

I pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday

Tuesday IO am Morning Prayer

Wednesday

Thursday 10 am Morning Prayer

Friday 10 am Morning Prayer

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

II am Mass

Saturday 4 pm – 6 pm Messy Church Light Party

Sunday ALL SAINTS

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass

3 pm Commemoration of the Faithful Departed