

# Pews News



**24 November 2024: Christ the King**

**Today's Services:**

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 School Sunday Mass: Fr Nicholas Edwards

## Welcome to Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church

**Rector: Fr Neil Roberts**

**Curate: Fr Alistair Milne**

**01483 564526 [parishoffice@saintnics.com](mailto:parishoffice@saintnics.com)**

### Children are welcome here

We are particularly delighted to welcome families from our St Nicolas' Infant School. Please do not worry about children making noise or moving around.

### 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.

### 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 [safeguardingteam@saintnics.com](mailto:safeguardingteam@saintnics.com)

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

M	17:15 Evening Prayer 17:45 <b>Mass</b>	Luke 21:1-4	<i>Catherine; Isaac Watts</i> The Valley Turnham Close
Tu	08:00 <b>Mass</b> 10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 21:5-11	Upper Guildown Rd Upperton Road
W	10:00 Morning Prayer 17:15 Evening Prayer	Luke 21:12-19	Walnut Tree Close West Mount
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 21:20-28	Wherwell Road Wodeland Avenue

F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 <b>Mass with Thanksgiving for the life of Fred Hutley</b>	Luke 21:29-33	<i>Day of Intercession &amp; Thanksgiving for the Missionary Work of the Church</i>
Sat		Matt.4:18-22	<b>Andrew the Apostle</b>
<b>Next Sun</b>	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Parish Mass with Junior Church <b>13:00 Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy</b> 10:00 Advent Carol Service	Luke 21:25-36	<b>Advent Sunday</b>

## Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

**10:00 School Sunday Mass: President, Fr Nicholas Edwards; Preacher, Nicky Geraghty**

*See separate Order of Service*

**Processional Hymn 352** Crown him with many crowns

**Gradual Hymn 443** Rejoice, the Lord is King

**Offertory** (see Order of Service) In Christ alone

**Voluntary:** Crown Imperial – *William Walton*

### Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of South America.

Diocese: The Parish of St Paul's, Woking.

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

The Year's Mind: Richard George Marks, Larry Glick and Peter Davis.

## 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 School Sunday Mass

#### On Duty @ 10am

*Children reading & intercessing*  
*Chalice: Hilary Fletcher*  
*Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew, Angela & Francesca Goodwin*  
*Coffee: Peter & Pauline Oldroyd*

### **Next Week**

8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Mass with Junior Church  
6pm Advent Carol Service

#### On Duty @ 10am

*Reader: Craig Nobbs*  
*Intercessor: John Varney*  
*Chalice: Donald Thompson*  
*Sidespeople: Iain Ferguson, Jo Radley*  
*Coffee: Patrick Andrew, Tarina More*

## **This Week's Notices**

### **Fred Hutley**

A Mass of Thanksgiving for Fred will be held here next Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November at 11am.

### **Bible Study**

There will be a Bible Study meeting on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 12:30pm. David Greenwood will lead on the Book of Malachi.

### **Advent**

If you haven't yet signed up to help deliver Christmas service leaflets, please do so today. We are doing this with our friends from Guildford URC.

Our Advent Carol Service will be next Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6pm. Do please make the effort to return for this service of beautiful words and music.

During Advent there will be a series of sermons and bible study meetings, all on the theme of Giving – What can I give him, poor as I am?

1<sup>st</sup> December – David Greenwood preaching and leading Bible Study on Friday  
6<sup>th</sup> December

8<sup>th</sup> December – Fr Neil preaching and leading Bible Study on Friday  
13<sup>th</sup> December

15<sup>th</sup> December – Fr Nick preaching. Bible Study on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

22<sup>nd</sup> December – Fr Neil preaching. No Bible Study on the following Friday.

## Guildford URC Christmas Tree Festival



The annual Christmas Tree Festival takes place between Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December and there will be a St Nicolas' tree for which we need your contributions. Tuesday Group are making up these decorations at their meeting next week, but need you to write on a label the name of some good quality that Christmas can produce. Please visit the table in the narthex on your way out of the service today.

## Christingle – Christmas Eve – 3pm and 5pm



We are already looking forward to our very special Christingle Services. Entry is by ticket only and these go 'on sale' (they're free!) this Monday. Book early to avoid disappointment. You can order them on these links:

3pm Service - <https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NDk1My05/t>

5pm Service - <https://tickets.myiknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NDk1My0xMQ/t>

## Carol Singing

We will be visiting care homes in our parish to sing carols during the late afternoons/early evenings of 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December. If you can join in, please let David Greenwood know either in person or on 07534 328408 or david.greenwood19@btopenworld.com.







## Good Cause



Our Good Cause for November is Lendwithcare. Catherine Ferguson wrote an article in our September/October newsletter

on this micro-finance scheme that lends to entrepreneurs in some of the poorest communities around the world. Our initial donation of £200 back in 2014 has had such an impact as illustrated by these figures.

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.

 Loaned total: £1,600.00	 Donated total: £170.75	 Number of loans: 22
 Entrepreneurs helped: 153	 Family members helped: 498	 Jobs created: 13



## Besom Hampers



We will once again be putting together hampers of Christmas goodies to be distributed to those who Besom and CAP (Christians Against Poverty) work with – single people, two person households and families. We delivered 5 huge bags last year and the recipients were so grateful.

Suggested items are: Christmas cakes, mince pies, biscuits, chocolates & sweets, chocolate tree decorations, crisps, party snacks, fizzy drinks, sparkling fruit juices, soups, cereals, pasta, pasta sauces, tinned food, fruit juices, honey, jam, tea & coffee, hot chocolate, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, luxury soaps & shower gel, washing powder, washing up liquid, candles (battery), baubles, napkins, paper table cloths, crackers etc.

Your donations would be much appreciated – there is a box at the back of church – to be received by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December please. If you would prefer to donate cash so that we can buy what is needed, please see Cath who will be happy to shop for you!



## 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), Cup-a-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

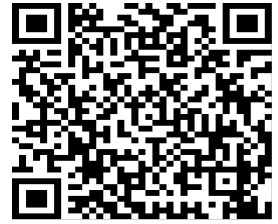
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We are members of the **Parish Giving Scheme (PGS)**, designed to support churches to fund their mission and ministry. The service allows you to:

- 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/>



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

24<sup>th</sup> November & 1<sup>st</sup> December

*The*  
**Chantry**  
*Singers*

Roy Rashbrook - Conductor

Con brio  
**HRTCT**  
The Humphrey Richardson Taylor  
Charitable Trust

**Fauré Requiem**

Danyal Dhondy  
"Still the Sirens"

Saturday  
30 November  
St Nicolas Church  
Guildford GU2 4AW

Tickets: £16 (16 and under: £2)  
To buy: visit  
<https://tinyurl.com/yw7h8ac2>  
or phone **07969 906 439**

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# CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

with

**GUILDFORD u3a SINGERS** (conductor - John Varney)

Start your celebrations with song and laughter  
at



## St Nicolas Church

Bury Street, Guildford (GU2 4AW)



at

**2.00 p.m.**

on

**Wednesday 11 December 2024**

Entry is free to all.

Voluntary retiring collection towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.



Surrey Hills  
CHRISTMAS  
CONCERTS

# Alleluia It's Christmas!

An evening of seasonal songs with Surrey Hills choirs

7pm, Sunday 8th December

St. Nicolas' Church, Bury St., Guildford. GU2 4AW

Tickets: Adults £14, Children £5

from [www.singsurreyhills.com](http://www.singsurreyhills.com)

Booking opens Friday 22nd November



FREE OF CHARGE  
DONATIONS WELCOMED

FRIDAY  
6TH DECEMBER  
8-10PM

# FIZZ & Friends

AT ST NICOLAS CHURCH, BURY STREET, GU2 4AW

## LADIES GROUP

A CHANCE TO RELAX AMONGST FRIENDS  
ENJOY SOME FESTIVE CRAFT ACTIVITIES,  
SOAK UP THE ATMOSPHERE IN OUR  
BEAUTIFUL CHURCH AND, OF COURSE,  
ENJOY SOME FIZZ!

(NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS ALSO AVAILABLE!)

*It would be helpful to know if you  
are coming, so please drop Nicky  
an email to let her know so we  
don't run out of fizz!*

ST NICOLAS  
GUILDFORD

MISSIONENABLER@SAINTNICS.COM

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Free of charge  
Donations  
welcome.

Messy  
Church

# Christmas Party

at Guildford United Reformed Church,  
83 Portsmouth Road, GU2 4BS

All are welcome to join us for faith-based fun,  
Christmas games, crafts, stories, singing, face  
painting and more.

Followed by a meal for everyone.

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

Saturday

7th December

4-6pm

Guildford  
United  
Reformed  
Church

in partnership with

ST NICOLAS  
GUILDFORD

For more information contact Nicky on [families.worker@guildfordurc.org.uk](mailto:families.worker@guildfordurc.org.uk)  
[www.guildfordurc.org.uk](http://www.guildfordurc.org.uk) | [www.saintnics.com](http://www.saintnics.com)

# Looking Ahead

## Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

**7:30 pm** PCC Meeting (preceded by Mass at 7pm)

## Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

**11 am** Service of Thanksgiving for Fred Hutley

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December : Advent Sunday

**8:30 am** Holy Communion (BCP)

**10 am** Parish Mass with Junior Church

**6 pm** Advent Carol Service

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

**8 pm** Fizz & Friends

## Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**4 pm** Messy Church Christmas Party

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December : Patronal Festival

**8:30 am** Holy Communion (BCP)

**10 am** Parish Mass with Baptism & Junior Church followed by drinks in the hall

## YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

### BEER & BANTER

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December (social)

### FIZZ & FRIENDS

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

### Parish Office Opening Hours This Week

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

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# THIS WEEK

**24<sup>th</sup> November – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

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**Sunday**

**CHRIST THE KING**

**8:30 am** Holy Communion (BCP)

**10 am** School Sunday Parish Mass & Junior Church

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

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**Monday**

**5:15 pm** Evening Prayer

**5:45 pm** Mass

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**Tuesday**

**8 am** Mass

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am** Tuesday Group – *Christmas craft session*

**5 pm** Toastie Tuesday for School Years 3-6

**7 pm** Mass before PCC Meeting at 7:30 pm

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**Wednesday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

**10 am** Café Play

**5:15 pm** Evening Prayer

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**Thursday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

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**Friday**

**10 am** Morning Prayer

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

**11 am** Mass with Thanksgiving for the Life of Fred Hutley

**12:30 pm** Bible Study

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**Saturday**

**7:30 pm** Chantry Singers Concert

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**Sunday**

**ADVENT SUNDAY**

**8:30 am** Holy Communion (BCP)

**10 am** Parish Mass & Junior Church

**1 pm** Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

**6 pm** Advent Carol Service

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