



**Welcome to
Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church**

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Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about children making noise or moving around. There are activities at the back of church for them.

Making yourself comfortable

Kneelers can be found in the narthex or under the back pews. If you need to use the toilets in the Parish Centre 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

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

M	Luke 2:36-40	
Tu	John 1:1-18	<i>John Wyclif</i>
W	Luke 2:15-21	Naming & Circumcision of Jesus Annandale Road Artington Walk
Th	John 1:19-28	Basil the Great & Gregory of Nazianzus <i>Seraphim;</i> <i>Vedanayagam Samuel</i> <i>Azariah</i> Beech Lane, Bray Rd, Bury Street
F	John 1:29-34	Buryfields, Catherine's Place, Chestnut Avenue

Sat 4pm Messy Church @ GURC John 1:35-42

Denzil Road
Devon Bank

Next 08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) Matt.2:1-12

Epiphany

Sun 10:00 *Three Wonders* Sung

Mass

13:00 Romanian Orthodox

Divine Liturgy

Today's Services

10:00 Mass: Fr Nicholas Edwards

Processional Hymn 33 Hark! The herald (**omit verse 4**)

Gloria (tune: Angels from the realms of glory)

Glory be to God in Heaven
Songs of joy and peace we bring;
Thankful hearts and voices raising
To creation's Lord we sing.
Gloria! Lord we bless and thank you.
Gloria! Glory be to God our King.

Lamb of God who on your shoulders
Bore the load of this world's sin:
Only Son of God the Father
You have brought us peace within.
Lord have mercy! Jesus Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy! Now your glorious reign begin.

You, O Son of God are holy,
You we praise with one accord:
None in heaven or earth is like you
Only you are Christ the Lord:
Gloria! Father, Son and Spirit.
Gloria! Ever worshipped and adored.

Reader: Rory Fenner **Reading:** 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Samuel was ministering before the LORD, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, 'May the LORD repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the LORD'; and then they would return to their home. Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favour with the LORD and with the people.

Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were

called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Gradual Hymn 42 While shepherds watched

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:41-52

Every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

Intercessions led by Shirley Aston

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church.

Diocese: The Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Thursley

.Those who have asked for our prayers: Anne, Margaret Colville, Rupert Williams, Jean Mackenzie, Holly Gregory, Philip Rawlings, Elena, Edward Wild and Ian Sherman.

The Year's Mind: Anthony Tye, Vera Agnes Gyatt, Marjorie Bateman, Johanna Nicholson and Ruby Baker.

Offertory Hymn 40 What child is this?

Sanctus (tune: O come, all ye faithful)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
Your glory fills all of Heaven and earth
Blessed in the Lord's name,
He who comes among us.
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest,
Holy Lord.

Amen

Blessing and honour, glory and power
Be yours, O Lord, for evermore.

Amen, Amen,
Amen, Alleluia!
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.

Agnus Dei (tune: *Quem Patores*)

Jesus, good above all other
gentle child of gentle mother,
in a stable born our brother,
we believe that you are here.

Jesus, cradled in a manger,
for us facing every danger,
living as a homeless stranger,
make we thee our king most dear.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy.
Bearer of our sins, have mercy.
Saviour of the world, have mercy.
Grant us peace, O grant us peace.

Voluntary: Prelude on the Spiritual: Rise up, Shepherds – *Stanley E Saxon*

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

10am Mass

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Rory Fenner

Intercessor: Shirley Aston

Sidespeople: Jo Radley, John Vines

Coffee: Pauline May

Next Week

10am Mass

On Duty @ 10am

Readers: Shirley Aston, Naomi Parkin-Tyrie

Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew, Rory Fenner

Coffee: Cath Anderson, Andy Anderson

This Week's Notices

Good Cause

The Children's Society Our Good Cause for December and January is The Children's Society. The Society provides specialist support to empower young people to make positive changes and rediscover their hope. They help young people with low self-esteem; parents who can't afford the next meal or the next size up in school uniform; refugees and migrant children; teenagers who want to quit using

drugs or alcohol; and children and young people who are looking after parents or siblings, etc

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.

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 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/>



Looking Ahead

Saturday 4th January 2025

4 – 6 pm Messy Church @ GURC

Sunday 5th January : Epiphany

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am *Three Wonders* Sung Mass

Sunday 12th January : Baptism of Christ

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 19th January : Epiphany II

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Parish Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 26th January : Epiphany III

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am School Sunday Mass Pet Service with GURC

The Parish Office is closed this week

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YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

There is no Coffee Shop on 3rd January

Friday 10th January Coffee Shop re-opens

Friday 31st January Monthly Lunch

THIS WEEK

29th December 2024 – 5th January 2025

Sunday

CHRISTMAS I

10 am Parish Mass

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

4 pm Messy Church @ GURC

Sunday

EPIPHANY

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am *Three Wonders* Mass for Epiphany

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy
