

Pews News



21 September 2025

St Matthew

Trinity XIV

Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Mass & Junior Church

16:30 Choral Evensong

**Welcome to
Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church**

Rector: Canon Neil Roberts

Curate: Fr Alistair Milne

Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about children making noise or moving around. Junior Church is for children aged 4-11 in the Parish Hall next door during the service. Younger children are welcome to join if accompanied by their grownup or they are equally welcome to stay with us in church. If you haven't been to us before, adults please follow the Junior Church team out with your child and they will make you feel very welcome.

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. **This week we will be serving coffee in the narthex as the hall is in use. Please do take your coffee back into church if you wish.**

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

Please be aware that our services are generally live-streamed so if you do not wish to appear on camera, please sit in the designated rows. The congregation will not be filmed during the distribution of the Sacrament.

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

M		Luke 8:16-18	Stakescorner Road Testard Road
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 8:19-21	The Firs, The Mount
W	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 9:1-6	Ember Day The Piccards The Ridges
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 9:7-9	Lancelot Andrewes, Sergei of Radonezh The Valley Turnham Close
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Luke 9:18-22	Wilson Carlile Ember Day Upper Guildown Rd Upperton Road
Sat		Luke 9:43b-45	Vincent de Paul Ember Day Walnut Tree Close West Mount
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Mass & Junior Church	John 1:47-end	Michael & All Angels

Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Mass with Junior Church: Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

see separate Order of Service

Music

Voluntary: Psalm Prelude in E Flat – *Herbert Howells*

Processional Hymn 338 At the name of Jesus

Gloria: Lourdes (see insert)

Gradual Hymn He sat to watch (*tune: NEH 76*)

He sat to watch o'er customs paid, a man of scorned and hard'ning trade.
Alike the symbol and the tool of foreign master's hated rule.

But grace within his heart had stirred, there needed but the timely word;
It came, true Lord of souls, from thee, that royal summons, "Follow me."

Enough, when thou wast passing by, to hear thy voice, to meet thine eye;
He rose, responsive to the call, and left his task, his gains, his all.

O wise exchange! With these to part, and lay up treasures in the heart;
Let them of Matthew's wealth partake, who yield up all for Jesus' sake.

William Bright, 1824-1901

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
Diocese: The Parish of St Mary's, Long Ditton

Those who have asked for our prayers: Rupert Williams, Holly Gregory,
Edward Wild, Tarina More, Chris Ross, Jeremy Pedrick, John West and
Adam Dorber.

The Recently Departed: Marie Hanlan

The Year's Mind: Geraldine Elliot, Lettie Gunner, Andrew Neilson and
Angela Maureen Sharpin.

Offertory Hymn 200 Jesus call us! O'er the tumult

Mass Setting: Gathering Mass – *Paul Inwood* (see insert)

Voluntary: Toccata in F – *Dietrich Buxtehude*

Live Streaming Link

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



This Week / Next Week

This Week

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Mass & Junior Church
16:30 Choral Evensong

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: *Louis Roberts*

Intercessor: *Donald Thompson*

Chalice Assistant: *Jana Phillips*

Sidespeople: *David Greenwood,*
Rory Fenner

Coffee: *Peter & Pauline Oldroyd*

Next Week

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Mass & Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: *Rory Fenner*

Intercessor: *Philip Hooper*

Chalice Assistant: *David Greenwood*

Sidespeople: *Patrick Andrew, Daniel Vines*

Coffee: *Helen Gould, Julia Williams*

This Week's Notices

Beer & Banter returns this Tuesday

With apologies for the cancellation in July, Fr Ali would like to remind you of Beer & Banter taking place this Tuesday in the Loseley Chapel at 7:30pm. The men's group will be discussing the difficult topic of euthanasia. Do come along and help us work through this contemporary issue.

WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING
MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 26th September 10:30-12:30

Please do come along to support this most worthy of causes. Why not bring a friend along too? There will be cakes and savouries and a chance to win a prize.

Zero@St Nic's Community Fridge

We still need more volunteers for Monday mornings - ideally we would like a bigger team, so that members are on duty just once a month, always with a lead person. The total time commitment is from 9.45 to 12.15. Could this be a new ministry for you? - ideally for the whole morning, but if you can only offer less time, we could look at a couple of shifts, say from 9.45-11.15 and 11.15-12.15. The busiest time is the first hour.

Please contact Cath in the parish office if this is something you can offer.

And of course any member of the congregation is welcome to come along after 10.30 to choose and take away produce which would otherwise be wasted.

We are also looking for volunteers to do the collections from Tesco, Sainsbury's (High Street) and Gail's Bakery on Sunday afternoons. Full instructions given!

Choral Evensong – this evening at 4:30pm

We are delighted that Amy Bebbington has arranged for Choral Evensong to be held here, which will be led by Fr Neil and Craig. Do make every effort to be here to enjoy it.

Prayer Tree

Do you know someone in need of our prayers? Is there a situation you would like to be prayed for? Why not hang a name on our prayer tree in the porch, and those named will be prayed for at Friday Mass.

Dedication Festival – Sunday 5th October

Tickets are on sale now for the lunch after our Dedication Festival. £10 per adult, under 12's free. If anyone is able to provide a **fruit crumble** for the dessert, please let Cath know. These proved very popular last year – there will be plenty of custard, cream and ice cream to go with it!

Film Club

"The first rule of film club is....." if you recognise that quote you're a film buff! Whether you are or not, I'd like to invite you to St Nic's Film Club. Beginning on Thursday 23rd October at 7pm, we will meet in the hall to watch a film and then discuss the issues raised. We start with The Cider House Rules. It raises

issues of segregation and abortion amongst other things. If you're interested then sign up at the back of church. Drinks and snacks will be available.

All Souls

Our All Souls Service is approaching (2nd November) and, as ever, we like to remember before God the earthly lives of those whom we love and see no longer. If you would like to make a donation to the flowers used on that day or if you would like a name read aloud at that service, please sign the list at the back of church.

Funerals

Inextricably linked to the service of All Souls is the matter of our own humanity. If you have not yet recorded your wishes as to what funeral arrangements you have in mind, please do have a think about this important service. You can make plans and share them with the Rector who will keep your wishes under lock and key and can be changed at any time. Having those directions means that we at least have an idea of what we can do for you and the family when the time comes.

Hope and Vision: Your Voice Counts

Guildford Cathedral is beginning an exciting new chapter: shaping its vision and strategy for the years 2026-2030. Rooted in prayer and reflection, this journey will guide it as it seeks to serve God faithfully and remain a beacon of hope for our community. The Cathedral believes its future must be shaped together so are inviting friends across Guildford and the diocese to share their hopes and ideas. Please visit this link to complete the questionnaire:

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=K8yrGh0nJUa8Fx_wQ97UGAhIIPRIuZBHgSwJInmqL4IUNEZESzUIWktVNUgzVVpMTVAzUzBSU0paRi4u&route=shorturl

Good Cause



Our Good Cause for September is Macmillan Cancer Support, who we will be supporting too at our **Coffee Morning on Friday 26th – could you bake something for it? Please bring a friend along.** Macmillan nurses help with cancer diagnoses and treatment, whilst offering information and emotional and practical support. Support Line Advisors offer confidential support to people through the physical and emotional challenges of living with cancer. Please support this very worthy cause by donating in the wallbox in the narthex, to our bank account (see below for details) or please ask to use the card reader.

Salvation Army Food Bank

The Salvation Army welcome your donations which can be left in the box near the font. If you are able to contribute anything, it will be very much appreciated.

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/>



PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 13:30 – 18:00 * Thursday 08:30 – 18:00 * Friday 13:30 – 18:00
parishoffice@saintnics.com 01483 564526

Looking Ahead

Sunday 28th September : St Michael & All Angels

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass & Junior Church

Saturday 4th October

4 – 6 pm Messy Church

Sunday 5th October : Dedication Festival

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass & Junior Church followed by lunch

Sunday 12th October : Harvest Thanksgiving

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Cubs/Beavers Parade & Junior Church

Sunday 19th October : Trinity XVIII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass

Looking even further ahead.....

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Sunday

YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Friday 26th September Macmillan Coffee Morning

Sunday 5th October Dedication Festival Lunch – tickets on sale!

Friday 31st October Monthly Lunch

BEER & BANTER (Tuesdays)

23rd September

21st October – Social @ Wetherpoons

18th November

FILM CLUB

Thursday 23rd October

FIZZ & FRIENDS (Fridays)

21st November

GOOD GRIEF CLUB

Wednesday 29th October, 2pm
at The Cosy Club, Tunsgate

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21st – 28th September 2025

Sunday

ST MATTHEW

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10 am Mass & Junior Church

4:30 pm Choral Evensong

Monday

10:30 am – 12:00pm Zero@St Nics Community Fridge

Tuesday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group – *Sea Shanties*

7:30 pm Beer & Banter

Wednesday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

Thursday

10 am Morning Prayer

Friday

10 am Morning Prayer

10:30 am – 12:30 pm Macmillan Coffee Morning

11 am Mass

Saturday

Sunday

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass & Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy
