Pews News



28 September 2025
St Michael & All Angels
Trinity XV

Today's Services:

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

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. Please join us for refreshments 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

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.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS THIS WEEK

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

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М		John 1:47-end	Michael & All Angels
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer 19:00 Mass	Luke 9:51-56	Jerome
W	10:00 Morning Prayer 12:00 Mass	Luke 9:57-end	Remigius Anthony Ashley Cooper Annandale Road Artington Walk
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Luke 10:1-12	Beech Lane, Bray Rd, Bury Street
F	10:00 Morning Prayer 11:00 Mass	Luke 10:13-16	George Bell Buryfields, Catherine's Place Chestnut Avenue
Sat	16:00 Messy Church	Luke 10:17-24	Francis of Assisi Denzil Road Devon Bank
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Mass & Junior Church	John 2:13-22	Dedication Festival

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10:00 Mass with Junior Church: Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Alistair

see separate Order of Service

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

Diocese: All the Caleb ordinands to be ordained today

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, Pam Bradbury and Daniela Patkova.

The Year's Mind: Winifred Mary Varney, Laurier Lister, Linda Barnes, Dave Madder-Smith, Enid Wagland, Janet (Sheena) Moir, Frank Marks and Sister Dorothea.

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

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Rory Fenner Intercessor: Philip Hooper Chalice Assistant: David Greenwood

Sidespeople: Patrick Andrew,
Daniel Vines

Coffee: Helen Gould, Julia Williams

Next Week

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Mass & Junior Church followed
by lunch (ticketed)

On Duty @ 10am

Reader: Hilary Fletcher Intercessor: Darrol Radley

Chalice Assistant: Jonathan Neil-Smith

Sidespeople: David Greenwood

Rory Fenner

This Week's Notices

Tuesday Group

Everybody is always welcome to join Tuesday every week, but you are especially invited this week when David Greenwood will be their guest speaker on the subject of *The Rebuilding of Coventry Cathedral*. The meeting starts at 10am and last about an hour.

Zero@St Nic's Community Fridge: can you help?

We still need 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!

Dedication Festival – next Sunday, 5th October

Make sure you **get your tickets today** for the lunch after our Dedication Festival – extras on the day will be extremely difficult to accommodate. £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: 23rd October @ 7pm

"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: 2nd November @ 4pm

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_wQ97 UGAhIIPRIuZBHgSwJInmqL4IUNEZESzUIWktVNUgzVVpMTVAzUzBSU0pa Ri4u&route=shorturl

Good Cause



Our Good Cause for September is Macmillan Cancer Support. 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/



ARVEST

Families are invited to join us for fun, faithbased games, crafts, teaching and singing as we celebrate harvest.

Followed by tea for everyone.

Donations for the food bank will be very welcome, if you feel able to do this please bring donations to Messy Church.



Looking Ahead

Tuesday 30th September

5 - 6:30 pm Toastie Tuesday

7 pm Mass before PCC Meeting

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 (ticketed)

Sunday 12th October: Harvest Thanksgiving

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Cubs/Beavers Parade & Junior Church

We welcome Guildford Shakespeare Company who will be with us from Monday 13th October to Saturday 8th November

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

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

Friday 31st October Monthly Lunch

BEER & BANTER (Tuesdays)

21st October – Social @ Wetherspoons

18th November

FILM CLUB

Thursday 23rd October

FIZZ & FRIENDS (Fridays)

21st November

GOOD GRIEF CLUB

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

THIS WEEK

28th September – 5th October 2025

Sunday	ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS		
	8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)		
	10 am Mass & Junior Church		
	I pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy		
Monday	10:30 am - 12:00pm Zero@St Nics Community Fridge		
Tuesday	10 am Morning Prayer		
	10 am Tuesday Group – Talk: Rebuilding Coventry Cathedral		
	5 - 6:30 pm Toastie Tuesday for Years 3 - 6		
	7 pm Mass before PCC Meeting		
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Wednesday	10 am Morning Prayer		
	10 am Café Play		
	12 pm Mass		
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Friday	10 am Morning Prayer		
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