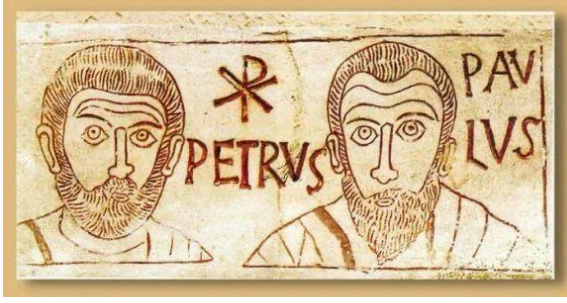


Pews News



28 June 2026: The Feast of Peter & Paul: the odd couple

Today's Services:

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Mass & Junior Church

Welcome to
Guildford St Nicolas Parish Church

Rector: Canon Neil Roberts

Fr Neil says "Who have you invited to church lately and who are you going to invite next?"

Children are welcome here

Please do not worry about children making noise or moving around. Junior Church is for children aged 4-11 and takes place 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 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		Matt.16:13-19	Peter & Paul
Tu		Matt.8:23-27	
W	10 am Morning Prayer 12 pm Mass Funeral Service for Janet Packham	Matt.8:28-end	Henry, John & Henry Venn Annandale Road Artington Walk
Th	10 am Morning Prayer	Matt.9:1-8	Beech Lane, Bray Rd Bury Street
F	10 am Morning Prayer 11 am Mass	John 20:24-29	Thomas the Apostle Buryfields, Catherine's Place, Chestnut Ave
Sat		Matt.9:14-17	Denzil Road Devon Bank
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Mass & Junior Church	Matt.16:13-19	Trinity V

Today's Services

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP): Rector

10:00 Mass

Celebrant & Preacher: Rector

Voluntary: Prelude on Rhosymedre – *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Processional Hymn 232 Awake, my soul

Gloria: Lourdes Gloria

Reader: Caroline Coleman **Reading:** Acts 12:1-11

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's

help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

For the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 359 Fight the good fight

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Offertory Hymn 484 The Church's one foundation

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

Diocese: The Parish of St Stephen's, Shottermill.

Those who have asked for our prayer: Holly Gregory, Edward Wild, Chrissie Patterson, Andrew, Julia Wake, Jerry Floyd, Steve Reeds and Jean Mackenzie.

The Recently Departed: Janet Packham

The Year's Mind: Paul Bemand, David Thorniley, Beryl Jordan, Alicia Mills, Valerie Bemand, Eddie Spooner, Lilian Chapman, William Thomas Jones (Rector), Cuthbert Greig and Heather Seth-Smith.

Mass Setting: Gathering Mass – *Paul Inwood*

Communion Solo: The Call – *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Nick MacMahon, baritone

Voluntary: Lobe den Herren – *Johann Gottfried Walther*

Live Streaming Link

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

LIVE 

This Week / Next Week

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Mass with Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Celebrant: The Rector

Reader: Caroline Coleman

Intercessor: David Greenwood

Chalice: David Greenwood

Sidespeople: Angela Goodwin, Rory Fenner

Coffee: Cath Anderson, Helen Gould

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 Mass with Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Celebrant: The Rector

Reader: Jon Cotterill

Intercessor: Cath Anderson

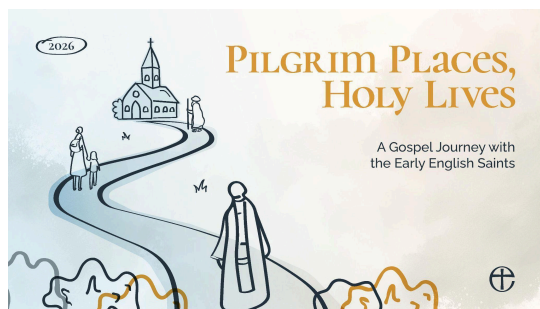
Chalice: Jana Phillips

Sidespeople: Philip Thomas, James Wix

Coffee: Angela Goodwin, Julia Williams

This Week's Notices

Please join us for this course on Friday at 12 noon, repeated at 7pm



Travel through places made holy in the spread of Christianity through the lives of English Saints, and discover fresh light for our journeys with God.

3rd July Light of the Gospel

There is an accompanying booklet should you also wish to follow at home; it can be purchased through this link and costs £3.99

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/books/9781781405550/pilgrim-places-holy-lives-single-copy>

St Nicolas' School Leavers Gift

We will be giving each child leaving our Infant School a boxed St Nicolas' keyring for them to wear on their backpacks at their new schools. If you would like to donate towards these gifts, please ask to do so by donating cash or making a payment on the card reader. Thank you.

Save the date - CK Gospel Choir at St Nics on September 25th



To celebrate our 150th anniversary we are combining forces with Guildford Jazz to present an evening of world class gospel and soul music as part of this Autumn's Guildford Jazz and Soul Festival. CK Gospel Choir is one of the UK's leading gospel choirs. The choir is a dynamic collection of London based vocalists known for their rich

harmonies, infectious energy and unforgettable performances. Tickets are on sale NOW and are likely to sell out. <https://www.guildfordjazz.org.uk/product/p/ck-gospel-choir-sept-2026> To

find out more about the choir and hear them listen in action go to

<https://www.ckgospelchoir.com>

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2027

We have provisionally booked next year's pilgrimage for the weekend of **Friday 30th April to Sunday 2nd /Monday 3rd May**. If you have never been to Walsingham then do consider joining us, you would be very welcome. **Deposits of £40 are required** by mid-July to confirm our booking. For further information, please contact Donald Thompson or Cath.

Salvation Army Food Bank

The Salvation Army welcomes your donations which can be left in the box near the font. If you are able to contribute, it will be very much appreciated. They desperately need Tinned meat meals, Tinned potatoes, Tinned Veg, Jars of coffee, Teabags, Biscuits, Tinned soup, Frey Bentos pies, Tinned Spaghetti Bolognese, Baked Beans, Tinned Tomatoes, Jam, Chocolate Spread, Squash, Sugar, Tinned corned beef, Tuna, Tinned Ham.

Good Cause for June



The Mission to Seafarers provides help and support to the 1.89 million crewmen and women who face danger every day to keep our global economy afloat. Working in over 200 ports in 50 countries and available 365 days a year, they provide help and support no matter what nationality, gender or religion.

Their network of chaplains, staff and volunteers can help with any problem - whether it's emotional, practical or spiritual support needed. They visit ships to check crew members are well, provide SIM cards to connect crew members with loved ones and transport when they are on land, provide emergency support and operate seafarers' centres where crew members can relax, connect to wifi and have something to eat and drink.

As St Nicolas is the patron saint of sailors, this is a charity that we have supported over the course of many years and hope that you will support them this month by donating in the wallbox in the narthex, to our bank account (see below for details using the reference GOOD CAUSE) or by using the card reader (find someone on duty and say that your donation was for the Good Cause).

Support

To support St Nicolas' Church, please make a bank transfer using the details below. 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 funding of our 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/>




HOLIDAY CLUB

PLANET PROTECTORS: WILDLIFE EDITION

27TH - 31ST JULY
At Guildford URC

£15 PER CHILD FOR SCHOOL YEARS R-6

FAITH-BASED FUN AS WE EXPLORE THE WORLD OF WILDLIFE

STORIES GAMES
CRAFTS SONGS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND BOOKING
www.guildfordurc.org.uk
www.saintnics.com

- CRAFT MATERIALS NEEDED - Box in the narthex**
- Cardboard boxes (flat packed and tape removed for storage please)
 - Cereal boxes (also flattened please)
 - Toilet roll centres
 - Odd socks (washed and without holes please!)




Beyond the Chamber...



Join us for an evening of chamber music without boundaries

7pm, Sunday 28th June
St. Nicolas' Church, Bury St., Guildford. GU2 4AW

Tickets: Adults £20; Under 16s £5
available from www.singsurreyhills.com

NEW CLUB ON THE BLOCK!

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR YOUR CHILD THIS SUMMER?

JOIN OUR SUMMER OF EXPLORATION:

 27-31 JULY
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 YEAR 3 - YEAR 6
 ST NICOLAS' CHURCH HALL, GUILDFORD
 LED BY CERTIFIED NUTRITION COACH

LIMITED SPACES!

 BOLD FLAVOURS
 FOOD DISCOVERIES
 PLAYFUL EXPERIMENTS


 SCAN THE QR CODE OR
 HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE TO BOOK:
www.behealthful.co.uk/clubs

If you missed out on a place at Holiday Club, this is running in our church hall the same week - a unique experience where food meets science. It is the perfect way to spark curiosity, learn new skills, and have fun in a hands-on environment.

*On Mondays 27th July & 3rd August, the Community Fridge will operate from the church.
On Friday 31st July, there will be no coffee shop after Mass*

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday 3rd July

12 pm & 7 pm Pilgrim Places, Holy Lives course

Sunday 5th July : Trinity V

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 12th July : Trinity VI

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Junior Church - healing after Mass

Friday 17th July

8 pm Fizz & Friends

Sunday 19th July : Trinity VII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass

Sunday 26th July : Trinity VIII

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass

YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Beer & Banter

Saturdays - Loseley Chapel 25th July 26th September 28th November

Saturdays - The Britannia 29th August 24th October 19th December

Fizz & Friends Fridays 17th July

Macmillan Coffee Morning 25th September

Monthly Lunch 30th October

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

THIS WEEK

28 June - 5th July 2026

Sunday

SS PETER & PAUL

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass & Junior Church

7 pm Surrey Hills Concert

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday

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

Tuesday

10 am Tuesday Group

5 - 6:30 pm Toastie Tuesday for School Years 3 - 6

Wednesday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Café Play

12 pm Mass

1:30 pm Funeral Service for Janet Packham

Thursday

10 am Morning Prayer

Friday

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am – 12:30 pm Coffee Shop

11 am Mass

12 pm & 7 pm Pilgrim Places, Holy Lives course

Saturday

Sunday

TRINITY V

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass & Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy
