

Pews News



11 January 2026: Epiphany
Today's Services:
08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Three Wonders Sung Mass

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 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 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	13:15 Funeral Service for Barbara Allen	Mark 1:14-20	Aelred <i>Benedict Biscop</i> Madrid Road Mareschal Road
Tu	10:00 Morning Prayer	Mark 1:21-28	Hilary, <i>Kentigern</i> <i>George Fox</i> Millmead Millmead Terrace
W	10:00 Morning Prayer	Mark 1:29-39	Mount Pleasant Mountside
Th	10:00 Morning Prayer	Mark 1:40-end	Nether Mount New Pond Road
F	10:00 Morning 11:00 Mass	Mark 2:1-12	Old Portsmouth Road Park Street
Sat		Mark 2:13-17	Antony of Egypt <i>Charles Gore</i> Porridge Pot Alley Portsmouth Road
Next Sun	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP) 10:00 Mass with Junior Church	John 1:29-42	Epiphany II

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10:00 Mass

See separate Order of Service

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America
Diocese: The Parish of St Peter Farnborough

Those who have asked for our prayer: Holly Gregory, Edward Wild, Jeremy Pedrick, John West, Chrissie Patterson, Ruth, Adam Dorber, Sam Hughes and Rodney More

The Recently Departed: Barbara Allen

The Year's Mind: Edith Agnes Jones, Cynthia Clee, Mervyn Spenser Underhill (priest), Beatrice Clee and Albert Hoare

Live Streaming Link

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



This Week / Next Week

This Week

08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Three Wonders Sung Mass
for Epiphany with Junior Church

On Duty @ 10am

Celebrant: The Rector
Readers: Shirley Aston,
Jon Cotterill, Melissa Hume
Chalice: Jana Phillips
Sidespeople: Jill Sandham,
Rory Fenner
Coffee: Cath Anderson

Next Week

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

On Duty @ 10am

Celebrant: Fr Alistair
Reader: Deborah Nobbs
Intercessor: Donald Thompson
Chalice: Jill Sandham
Sidespeople: David Greenwood, Daniel Vines
Coffee: Helen Gould, Julia Williams

This Week's Notices

150th Anniversary Lecture

We are so grateful to our own Dr Catherine Ferguson for helping to arrange a series of lectures to mark the 150th Anniversary of the Consecration of the present church, the third on this site. She will be giving the first lecture 'The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish' this Tuesday, 13th January at 7:30pm. All the lectures this year are free, although donations will be invited. There will also be a bar open at all the events.

Good Grief Club

The next Good Grief meet up is on Wednesday 28th January, 2pm at The Cosy Club. All who have experienced bereavement are welcome.

Good Causes

The PCC are seeking your suggestions for charities to support each month during 2026. We will be supporting our regular good causes - The Bishop of Guildford's Communities Fund, USPG, Macmillan Cancer Support, The Children's Society - but welcome your suggestions of other charities we might consider. Please email your suggestions to parishoffice@saintnics.com Many thanks.

This Month's Good Cause

**Medical
Detection Dogs**



Patron: HM The Queen

Our Good Cause for January is Medical Detection Dogs, chosen to tie in with our Pet Service later this month. These highly trained animals

can detect minute changes in an individual's personal odour which is triggered by their medical condition and alert them to an impending medical event, helping them manage complex life-threatening or life-limiting medical conditions and improve confidence and independence. The charity also carries out pioneering work training Cancer and Bio Detection dogs - they have so far trained 18 dogs to detect 9 different diseases including cancers, malaria and Parkinson's Diseases. It costs £29,000 to care, support and train one Medical Alert Assistance Dog and £7,000 needed every day to continue the charity's life-saving work. Please support this 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 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.

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/>



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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**Meditation
to start the day right!
Suitable for all.**

8am on the second Tuesday of every month.

All welcome, with or without experience. We will be trying different forms of meditation with time for questions after each one.

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Looking Ahead

Tuesday 13th January 2026

7:30 pm 150th Anniversary Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA

The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish

Sunday 18th January 2026 : Epiphany II

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Junior Church

Sunday 25th January 2026 : Epiphany III

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am School Sunday Service with Blessing of Pets

Sunday 1st February : Candlemas

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Junior Church

Tuesday 3rd February 2026

7:30 pm 150th Anniversary Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA

The Loseley Chapel and its occupants

Sunday 8th February : Second before Lent

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Mass with Baptisms & Junior Church

Saturday 14th February 2026

4 - 6 pm Messy Church at Guildford URC

YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

Friday 30th January

Monthly Lunch

Friday 20th February

Weekly Lent Lunches begin



150th Anniversary Programme

A few highlights - more dates to follow

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| Tuesday 13th January
7:30pm | Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA
The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish |
| Tuesday 3rd February
7:30pm | Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA
The Loseley Chapel and its occupants |
| Tuesday 10th March
7:30pm | Lecture: Canon Jeremy Haselock FSA
The theology of the Oxford Movement and its influence on church architecture |
| Holy Week & Easter | We will be joined by The Right Reverend Peter Hancock |
| Thursday 7th May
7:30pm | Lecture: Dr Michael Shapland, senior archaeologist
University College, London
The Hill of the Dragon: A medieval wayside shrine and regional assembly site by St Catherine's Chapel (in the Parish Centre) |
| Thursday 4th June
8pm | Corpus Christi Mass - preacher, Fr Victor Stock, former Dean of Guildford Cathedral |
| Saturday 20th June | Midsummer Dinner with comedian Paul Kerensa |
| Tuesday 8th Sept
7:30pm | Lecture: Charles O'Brien FSA
"The Ugliest Church in Surrey?" - a reassessment of St Nicolas' and its Victorian designers |
| Sunday 4th October | Dedication Festival Mass & Lunch - preacher, Bishop Andrew |
| Tuesday 10th Nov
7:30pm | Lecture: Canon Nicholas Thistlethwaite
Victorian Church Music |

THIS WEEK

11th - 18th January 2026

Sunday

EPIPHANY

8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

10 am Three Wonders Sung Mass for Epiphany

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy

Monday

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

1:15 pm Funeral Service for Barbara Allen

Tuesday

8 am Christian Meditation

10 am Morning Prayer

10 am Tuesday Group – “A New Hobby” - *what would you choose? - individual contributions*

7:30 pm 150th Anniversary Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA *The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish*

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 Coffee Shop

11 am Mass

Saturday

Sunday

EPIPHANY II

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10 am Mass & Junior Church

1 pm Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy
