

# 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](mailto: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 <b>11:00 Mass</b>	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
<b>Next</b>	08:30 Holy Communion (BCP)	John 1:29-42	<b>Epiphany II</b>
<b>Sun</b>	10:00 Mass with Junior Church		

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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

**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](mailto:parishoffice@saintnics.com) Many thanks.

**This Month's Good Cause**

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:

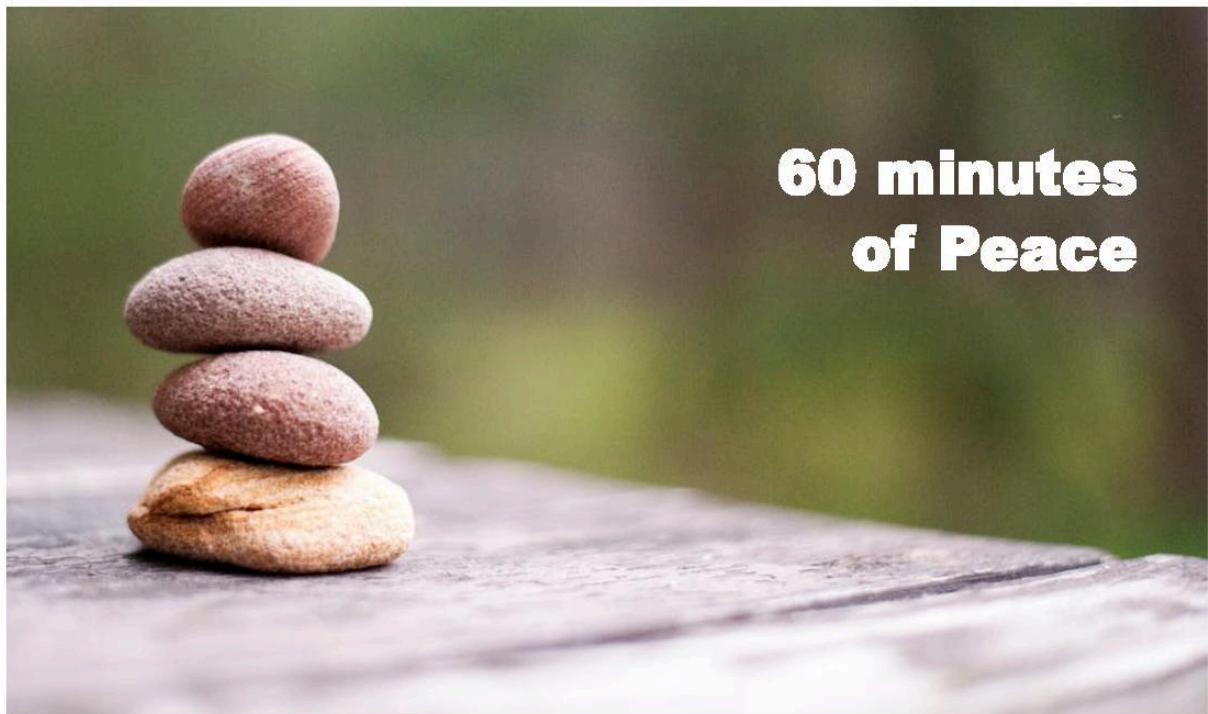
- Give One-Off amounts by Credit/Debit cards & Apple/Google pay wallets
- Give monthly, quarterly or annually by Direct Debit
- Sign up to inflation-linked giving annually
- Enhance your gift by having Gift Aid at 25% added to your giving
- Give securely and donate anonymously, if you prefer
- Scan the 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

[parishoffice@saintnics.com](mailto:parishoffice@saintnics.com) 01483 564526



## 60 minutes of Peace

**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)

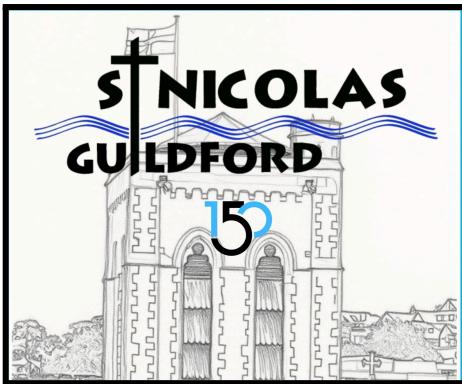
## 10 am Mass with Baptisms & Junior Church

**Saturday 14th February 2026**

4 - 6 pm Messy Church at Guildford URC

## YOUR SOCIAL CALENDAR

## Friday 30th January      Monthly Lunch



## **150th Anniversary Programme**

### **A few highlights - more dates to follow**

**Tuesday 13th January** Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA

**7:30pm** The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish

**Tuesday 3rd February** Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA

**7:30pm** The Loseley Chapel and its occupants

**Tuesday 10th March** Lecture: Canon Jeremy Haselock FSA

**7:30pm** 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** Lecture: Dr Michael Shapland, senior archaeologist

**7:30pm** 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** Corpus Christi Mass - preacher, Fr Victor Stock, former Dean

**8pm** of Guildford Cathedral

**Saturday 20th June** Midsummer Dinner with comedian Paul Kerensa

**Tuesday 8th Sept** Lecture: Charles O'Brien FSA

**7:30pm** "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** Lecture: Canon Nicholas Thistletonwaite

**7:30pm** Victorian Church Music

# THIS WEEK

11th - 18th January 2026

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>EPIPHANY</b>
	<b>8:30 am</b> Holy Communion (BCP)
	<b>10 am</b> Three Wonders Sung Mass for Epiphany
	<b>1 pm</b> Romanian Orthodox Divine Liturgy
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10:30 am – 12:00pm</b> Zero@St Nics Community Fridge
	<b>1:15 pm</b> Funeral Service for Barbara Allen
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8 am</b> Christian Meditation
	<b>10 am</b> Morning Prayer
	<b>10 am</b> Tuesday Group – “A New Hobby” - <i>what would you choose? - individual contributions</i>
	<b>7:30 pm</b> 150th Anniversary Lecture: Dr Catherine Ferguson FSA <i>The long history of St Nicolas: three churches and one parish</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10 am</b> Morning Prayer
	<b>10 am</b> Café Play
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10 am</b> Morning Prayer
<b>Friday</b>	<b>10 am</b> Morning Prayer
	<b>10:30 am – 12:30 pm</b> Coffee Shop
	<b>11 am</b> Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	
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