



St Nicolas Church

Building Faith in the Community

Newsletter for Sunday 21st April 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion

Led by: David Ireland

10am: Holy Communion



Led by: Alan Jenkins
Hymns: 291, 794, 671, 724, 507
Anthem: Goodall - The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want

6.30pm: Evensong

Led by: Chris Holloway
Hymns: 653, 664, 18
Psalm: 81

We're pleased you're here

Welcome to St Nicolas! There's no need to say or do anything during a service; feel free to sit and listen. We're delighted to have children here and we know children can be noisy – please don't worry! Church is a family, so be yourself. You are welcome to use our kneelers and bibles in church: please do return them to the shelves or position after use, thank you. When it comes to receiving communion, we recognise that some prefer not to receive from the chalice. Please note that at St Nicolas our practice is not to intinct (dip the wafer in the wine).

Today's Bible Readings



Morning: Acts 4: 5-12 (p.1095); John 10: 11-18 (p.1076)
Evening: Ps. 81: 8-16 (p.594); Exod. 16: 4-15 (p.73); Rev. 2: 12-17 (p.1234)

Today's Collect

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be
gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.



This week we are praying for:

- * For the work of Oasis Charitable Trust and our links Gill Caldwell and Celeste Rios.
 - We pray for the Oasis Trust and its work with young people, especially its new Parent and Carer Support Programme which helps parents who are worried that their children may be involved in violence, crime, or at risk of exploitation.
 - We thank you that over 100 one-to-one sessions with parents have already taken place and parents have received counselling, and practical help.
 - We pray also for Oasis Restore which will open in 2025 as the first Secure School in England offering young offenders a real chance to change their lives.
- * For the Friends of St Nicolas.
- * For our neighbours in Twelve Acre Close.
- * For Our Church Development Plan: focussing on the priority 'Growing a diverse families' and children's ministry', led by Celeste Rios.
- * From our Electoral Roll: Valerie, James, Angela, George, Sylvia, June.
- * Family and friends of those who have recently died: Billy Thompson, Margaret Medway.
- * Those who are ill: Jenny Carlier, Sylvia Charles, Elizabeth Finucane, Jenny and Peter Evans, Deborah Gallacher.

If you have a prayer request, please contact a member of the ministry team. You can also raise a prayer request by email at pleasepray@stnicolasbookham.org.uk or via our website 'prayer page' at <https://www.stnicolasbookham.org.uk/prayer>

Notices

FAIRTRADE STALL is available in church this Sunday – please come and have a look.

SILENT PRAYER GROUP Monday 22nd April from 12noon to 12.45pm with a silent time of 25 minutes, plus some prayers and readings. This group will now be meeting in homes, contact Jean Forward (housegroups@stnicolasbookham.org.uk) for details. All welcome to enjoy peace and stillness. NB There will be no meeting of this group in May.

MIGHT YOU CONSIDER JOINING ST NICOLAS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)?
On 29th April we will hold the St Nicolas Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). It will start at 8pm and all are welcome to attend although to participate fully you need to be on the electoral roll. The APCM page on our website is now up and running and can be found on the church [website](#). At the meeting we elect new members of our

PCC. We need some new members and would be very pleased to hear from you if you might be able to serve in this way. The PCC meets six times a year for two hours on a Monday evening and considers many of the matters involved in ensuring the smooth running of St Nicolas Church. If you would like more information please do speak to Alan Jenkins or get in touch with our PCC Secretary, Amanda Rowland on pcc.secretary@stnicolasbookham.org.uk or 07702 678480. We look forward to hearing from you.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ALL WHO HAVE BEEN BEREAVED Sunday 5th May at 3pm in church. As usual the service will include prayers, hymns and an address; the names of those who have died will be noted down and read out, and you will be able to light a candle. If you would like to remember someone in this way, then please do come along to the service. All are welcome no matter how long ago a loved one died, or whether they lived locally.

ANNA CHAPLAINCY - LIVING WELL IN OLDER AGE: HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT WITH SIGHT AND HEARING. Do you have issues with your sight or hearing? Are you aware of support available to those who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind or partially sighted? Would you like to learn about equipment available such as magnifiers, doorbells and talking clocks? Come and meet experts from Sensory Services by Sight for Surrey on Wednesday 8th May 10.30am to 12pm at Bookham Library. Over 65s and carers welcome. Suggested donation of £2. Tea and coffee will be provided. To find out more and to book, contact Liz Tapp, The Anna Chaplain, email ac@themeetingplace.org.uk or phone 07518 735729.

The Week Ahead

Mon 22nd	10.00 am 4.00 pm	Tots Alive – Church and Church Room BYouth – Pastoral Centre
Tue 23rd	10.00 am	Tuesday Coffee Morning – Pastoral Centre
Thu 25th	10.00 am 10.40 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion – Church (<i>Acts 15: 35-end; Mark 13: 5-13</i>) Thursday Coffee Morning – Church Room Choir Practice – Church
Fri 26th	4.00 pm	BYouth – Pastoral Centre
Sun 28th	8.00 am 10.00 am 12 noon	Holy Communion (<i>Acts 8: 26-end; John 15: 1-8</i>) Holy Communion (<i>Acts 8: 26-end; John 15: 1-8</i>) Baptism of Albert and Louis Faux

This week's duty Church Warden:

Heather Gerrard

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MP WATCH DORKING AND HORLEY Want to hold our next MP to account and help them to work towards a better future on local and national issues? Come to the start-up meeting of the Dorking and Horley branch of MP Watch, a national group with real democracy at its heart, and make your voice heard. Genuinely non-party-political. We meet on Thursday 16th May, 7.30 – 9pm, Lincoln Arms, Station Approach, Dorking RH4 1TF. Contact Pat Smith at patvoice@yahoo.co.uk or Phil Partridge at philpartridge07@gmail.com for more information.

THE SERVANT COURSE Book your place today – bookings close on 26th May. Do you know how God wants you to use your gifts in his service? Are you in the right role? Age is no barrier to how God can use you. We all have something to offer. “You are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus, to do good works which God has prepared in advance of you to do.” Find out on The Servant Course – Friday 7th June from 7:30pm & Saturday 8th June till 3:30pm. Book via the church [website](#), or contact Chris Holloway at chris.holloway@stnicolasbookham.org.uk or on 07870556343.

WEDDING INVITATION The marriage of Daniel Phillips and Emma Johnson takes place at St Mary’s Ewell on 30th May at 11am, anyone from the congregation who wishes to attend the ceremony is welcome.

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