



**St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**THIS WEEK:**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter)**

**8am: Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am: All Age Worship**

**(at which we welcome John Kuhrt, CEO of Hope into Action)**

**6pm: Choral Communion**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

**10am: Elmbridge Communion**

**12noon: Holy Communion (BCP)**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

**9.30am: Toddler Praise in Church**

**2pm: Cedar Court Communion**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May (80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day)**

**9am: VE 80 Act of Remembrance at War Memorial**

**10am: Time for Prayer – 30 minutes led prayer with themed music**

**Evening – VE 80 Celebrations in Village Way**

**(The Rector will lead prayer at 9.25 before the lighting of the beacon)**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

**3pm: Music for a Spring Afternoon**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

**10am: Little Nic's Baby and Toddler Group – in church rooms**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter) Vocations Sunday**

**8am: Holy Communion (CW)**

**10am: Parish Communion**

**11.30am Discovery**

**1pm: Baptism of Evie Coward**

**5pm: Ignite – in church rooms**

## **ANTHEM FOR CHORAL COMMUNION:**

Thanks be to thee, Lord Jesus Christ,  
For all the benefits which thou hast won for us,  
Thanks be to thee, Lord Jesus Christ,  
For all the pains and insults thou hast borne for us.  
O most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,  
Saviour, hear our prayer:  
May we know thee more clearly,  
May we love thee more dearly,  
And follow thee more nearly,  
Day by day.  
Amen.

*St Richard of Chichester*

## **COLLECT:**

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*or*

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

## **INVITATION TO CONFESSION:**

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us. Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

## **FIRST READINGS: Acts 9.1-6**

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way,

men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'

## **GOSPEL READING: *John 21.1-19***

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he

said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE :**

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

## **SEASONAL PREFACE:**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and in these days of Easter  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## **BLESSING:**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing . . .

## **WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

### **Church and Christian Ministry:**

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The Church of Ireland
- In the Diocese – for the Diocesan Property Team (led by Andrew Johnson)
- In the Parish – For our Choir, Music Group and Director of Music, Michael Clark

### **National and World Affairs:**

- For peace in the world, and especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and Russia and Southern Sudan
- For the world's leaders at this difficult time
- For the work of Hope into Action

### **Community and Family:**

- For those who live in John Wiskar Drive, Knowle Lane and Hazelwood
- For the staff of Cranleigh Leisure Centre, and the staff and volunteers of Knowle Park.

### **The Sick and those in Need:**

- Helen Allen, Jane Bloss, Hazel Cherry, Claire Curry, Jack Lewis, Patrick, Jean Quallington, Chris Robinson, Michael Trent, Val, Jeremy Watts, Sylvia Wright
- *(And for those with long-term prayer needs):* Baby Atticus and his parents Clare and Alex, Neil Charman, Annie Cotterill, David, Peggy Davis, Jean Dodd, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Jane, Bryn Jones,

Kirsty, Lottie Lack, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Judy Murdoch, Libby O'Brien, Brian Pettyfer, Ron Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Val Thorogood, Marilyn Wood

### **The Departed:**

- All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time May Brown, June David, Penelope Lowrie, Valerie Speers and Terry Ward.

## **WEEKLY NOTICES:**

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY** There are Christian Aid envelopes at the back of church if you wish to make a donation. Details on reverse of envelopes.

**CAKES FOR CHRISTIAN AID** Cakes of all sorts are needed to stock the "Cakes 4 Cash" stall on Sunday 18 May, please. Large, small, fruit, scones, maybe savoury! Bring along on the morning, 8oclock service onwards. Many thanks! Barbara Pearson 01483273724.

**VOLUNTEER READING** If you are interested in spending a little time listening to children read in Cranleigh Primary School, please see the Rector

**VALERIE SPEERS FUNERAL** will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1.30pm, in church, with an invitation to join the family at the Roger Tichbourne pub afterwards (Valerie's favourite place to eat!)

**CHURCH ROOMS SPRING CLEAN** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May from 9am. Please come and lend a hand as we deep clean the kitchen and kitchenette in the Church Rooms. Thank you

### **RECTORY FETE – 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Preparation for our annual fete is well underway. Thank you to those already signed up to run stalls.

Help still needed:

- Additional helpers for the refreshments stall
- Donations for stalls - please make contact directly with the stall holder on the list below. **There is very limited space in the church office for**

**storing donations, so please do deliver straight to the stallholder wherever possible.**

- Set up on July 11<sup>th</sup> from 2pm onwards If you can help, please contact me directly.
- Take down at 3 pm on the 12<sup>th</sup>. This truly is a case of many hands make light work so please help if you can.

Thank you. Richard 07488593446 rctuck100@gmail.com

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Plants	Win Bracking	275573	<a href="mailto:roganwin@googlemail.com">roganwin@googlemail.com</a>
Cakes	Mother's Union	274319	<a href="mailto:etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk">etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk</a>
Raffle	Sue Trundle		<a href="mailto:trundel@btinternet.com">trundel@btinternet.com</a>
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## **DISCOVERY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

This term's theme is "Why Do We Do That?"

Have you ever wondered why we do or say certain things in our church services? The idea behind this topic is to look at certain parts of our church services in more depth but in an interactive way.

**11th May - Confession and Absolution**

**25th May - Bible Reading**

**22nd June - Teaching /Sermon**

**29th June - Worship (singing and prayers)**

**13th July – Communion**

**IGNITE – DATES FOR NEXT TERM** Please do get the following dates in your diary for our upcoming teenager events. Sundays from 5 to 6pm.

04/05/2025 Questions around Evil

18/05/2025 Brainwork: Quiz evening

01/06/2025 Stations of the Cross (this one will be from 5 to 6.30pm at Wintershall)

22/06/2025 Edible Art

06/07/2025 Bowling with the Family **(parents and siblings welcome!)**  
**2.30-4.30pm**

**DRIVERS NEEDED FOR LIFTS TO CHURCH** please, for Judy Murdoch who would like to attend church at 8am on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, and 10am on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. Lifts would be picking up from, and returning to, Park Mead. Please let the office know if you can help.  
Thank you

**TWO SINGLE BEDS** with pristine mattresses are available should anyone be in need. Contact the church office if you are interested.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** sessions planned: for teenagers (Wednesday evening 7pm on 7 May, 14 May, 21 May, 4 June, 11 June) and for adults (Tuesday evening 8pm on 20 May, 27 May, 3 June, 10 June, and a start lunch on Sunday 18 May. The Baptism and Confirmation service is planned for Sunday 15th of June at 3pm. Contact [Erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:Erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) to sign up or for more information.

# MUSIC FOR A SPRING AFTERNOON

SATURDAY 10TH MAY, 3PM

St  
**N**ICOLAS  
CRANLEIGH

JOIN US FOR AN HOUR OF BEAUTIFUL  
MUSIC INCLUDING MOZART, HANDEL AND  
DEBUSSY, FOLLOWED BY TEA AND CAKE.

NICOLA STOCK SOPRANO

ELEANOR HARVIE MEZZO SOPRANO

SIMON EVANS VIOLIN

JULIAN DAVIS PIANO

Proceeds to help maintain this beautiful church by  
kind permission of the Rector and church wardens

# Open COFFEE MORNING

COME AND MEET THE  
Mothers' UNION

Wednesday 14th May  
10am-12noon

EVERYBODY IS WELCOME!



St  
**NICOLAS**  
CRANLEIGH  
CHURCH ROOMS



# ***CAKES 4 CASH!***

## **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

### **Cake Sale with Coffee** *after the 10am service*



Cakes please, to the church rooms on the morning, from 9am

## KEEP IN TOUCH:

**Rector - Revd Canon Roy Woodhams** (*Day off: Monday*)

Tel: 01483 800655. Email: [roy@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:roy@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk)

**Curate - Revd Erik Heemsker** (*Day off: Monday*)

Tel: 07368 871589. Email: [erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk)

**Administrator – Nicola Craven-Smith**

*(Works Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30am-1pm)*

Tel: 01483 273620. Email: [nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](mailto:nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk)

**Young People's Ministry – Claire Jones**

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**Safeguarding Officer – Brian Boxall**

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Or for Safeguarding emergencies phone the Rector

**Diocesan Safeguarding Team**

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**Church Website:** [www.stnicolascranleigh.org.uk](http://www.stnicolascranleigh.org.uk)

*Do you have a question about faith or the church? Or would you just like to get to know us better? Roy and Erik are always very happy to meet for a cup of coffee, tea, or a pint, just get in touch with us using our contact details above!*



You can make an online donation in support of church funds by visiting the [website](http://www.stnicolascranleigh.org.uk), clicking on the red button or scanning the QR code.

