



St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

1st Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 22nd June 2025

THIS WEEK:

Sunday 22nd June (1st Sunday after Trinity)

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: Parish Communion (CW)

11.30am: Discovery

1pm: Baptism of Jack Hargreaves

5pm: Ignite: Cake Decorating Evening (in church rooms)

Tuesday 24th June

12noon: Holy Communion (BCP)

Thursday 26th June

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

Friday 27th June

10am: Little Nic's Baby and Toddlers in church rooms

10am: MU Communion

Saturday 28th June

10.30am: Ordination of Gabrielle Burns (Clarke) at Guildford Cathedral
(tickets required)

Sunday 29th June (Peter the Apostle)

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: Parish Communion (CW)

11.30am: Discovery

COLLECTS:

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

FIRST READING: *Galatians 3.23-end*

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GOSPEL READING: *Luke 8.26-39*

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' — for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right

mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola
- In the Diocese – for those preparing to be ordained Priest and Deacon next weekend
- In the Parish – for Roy and Kate as they begin to make preparations for their move

National and World Affairs:

- For peace in the world – especially thinking of the renewed tensions between Israel and Iran
- For the world's leaders as they navigate difficult times

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Summerlands
- For the Worldwide Church, and especially for the Anglican Communion
- For the success of the Lions Carnival next Saturday

The Sick and those in Need:

- Helen Allen, Hazel Cherry, Claire Curry, Edward, Jean Jeffries, Sylvia Kellett, Jack Lewis, Jean Quallington, Chris Robinson, Val, Nick Vrijland, Jeremy Watts

- *(And for those with long-term prayer needs):* Baby Atticus and his parents Clare and Alex, Neil Charman, Annie Cotterill, David, Peggy Davis, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Jane, Bryn Jones, Kirsty, Lottie Lack, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Brian Pettyfer, Ron Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Val Thorogood, Michael Trent, Marilyn Wood

The Departed:

- All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time John Pearce.

WEEKLY NOTICES:

THE RECTOR'S RETIREMENT At last Sunday's Confirmation Service Roy announced, that after 12 years as Rector of Cranleigh, he will be leaving in the Autumn. Roy writes: *'I have made no secret of the fact that I had been pondering retirement for some time, but as I have shared with many of you privately, we haven't had a 'plan' for retirement and there have been many complications around factors like, where our daughters might be living, about Kate's job, and about the cost of housing in Surrey! In amongst it all, I have always felt that God had a plan, and that a door would open. Quite unexpectedly, that door opened back in May, with the advertising of a House for Duty post at Holmbury St Mary and Wotton, just down the road, in the Leith Hill Benefice. I quickly realised that in return for working 2 ½ days a week we would have a house to live in and the means for Kate to continue her job at St Cuthbert Mayne School for a few more years! After a conversation with Bishop Andrew, I decided to apply. And have subsequently been appointed, and expect to take up the post in November! Of course, leaving will be a huge wrench for Kate and I, as this has been such a happy place, and we love being a part of the St Nicolas family, but I will have plenty of opportunity to talk about that later!'*

TRAIN EXHIBITION A huge thanks to all who came to the exhibition on Saturday. I have never seen so many men in church! A great turnout. Our thanks must go to those who exhibited their train memorabilia and gave their time setting up and sharing memories of Cranleigh Station and

talks by Michael Miller. Also many thanks to the Stewards and refreshment ladies and man for giving their time.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK The Christian Aid collection count for this year was £2072 including gift aid. This is over £500 more than last year. Thank you to everyone involved. Peter Allin

RECTORY FETE With less than a month to go until our Rectory Fete, plans are coming on apace! Can you help us with setting up on Friday 11th from 2pm, and clearing away at the end of the fete on Saturday?

We also need a couple more gazebos.

Please let Richard know rctuck100@gmail.com if you can help. Thank you.

BOTTLES URGENTLY NEEDED for our bottle tombola. This is a very popular stall at the fete so your donations are very gratefully received.

RAFFLE PRIZES needed for the Grand Raffle. If you can donate a prize, or know a business who may like to contribute an item or a service, please do let Nicola in the office know. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS cakes, cupcakes, sandwiches and cheese scones will be gratefully received on the morning of the fete. Thank you!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR ALL STALLS If you have items to donate, please contact the stall holders directly to arrange drop off!

Stall	Holder	Contact Phone	Contact E mail
Plants	Win Bracking	275573	rojanwin@googlemail.com
Cakes	Mother's Union	274319	etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk
Raffle	Sue Trundle		trundel@btinternet.com
Bottle tombola	Jennifer Hall	07808035361	annja58@icloud.com
Adult Books	Margie Nursey	273693	stnicnot@gmail.com
Children's books	Dorothy Walton	278099	d.m.walton@hotmail.co.uk

Haberdashery	Jane Etherington	274319	etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk
Jewellery	Steff Sheperd		shepherd.steff2006@gmail.com
Toys	Lesley Thomas	274798	lesley.thomas@aol.co.uk
Church Stall	Paul & Celia Jenkins	548824	paul@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk
Craft	Jane Etherington	274319	etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk
Regifting	Sue Knight & Katherine Tuck	07950025137 or 208184 or	sueknight@watercottage.co.uk or KJTuck54@gmail.com
Puzzles	Anne Lock		annielock@btinternet.com
Refreshments	Kate Woodhams	01483 800655	

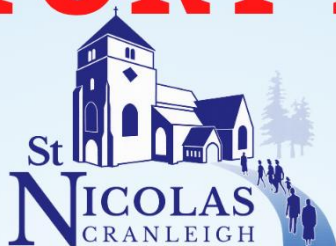
FIRST AID COURSE St Nicolas Church is hosting a First Aid course to be run by Ben Gordon-Smith on the 5th July. We are running this for our volunteers but if anyone else in the congregation is also interested in gaining a first aid certificate, please let Steff know ASAP on steff@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk.

MEN'S GROUP FRIDAY 4TH JULY For our next Men's Group we're hoping to walk to Baynard's Station along the old railway line, have a look at Baynard's Station and a number of old vehicles. We leave St Nicolas Church at 6.30pm, arrive at Baynard's Station at 7.30pm, and please bring your own picnic (food and drinks)! Drop Erik (erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) a line if you're interested in joining us!

FAMILY BOWLING EVENT SUNDAY 6TH JULY Our final Ignite Event before the summer is one for the whole (church) family (so bring parents/grandparents and younger siblings and also join in if you don't have anyone in Ignite)! On 6th July we're going Bowling at Ewhurst Bowling Club from 2.30 to 4.30. This event was a great success last year, with everyone enjoying some bowling (please make sure you have flat shoes) and having a drink/snack in the very reasonably priced Bowling Club bar.



ST NICOLAS CHURCH RECTORY FETE



A fun day out for all the family!

_____ Date _____

12 JULY
11:00-15:00

BBQ | Shopping Stalls | Games
Horsham Borough Brass Band |
Face Painting | Steam Engine
and more!

_____ Place _____

IN THE RECTORY GARDENS



KEEP IN TOUCH:

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

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

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Administrator – Nicola Craven-Smith

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

Tel: 01483 273620. Email: 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

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!



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